

## ***Little Oakley Parish Council***

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025 in the Millennium Room,  
St Michael's Church, Ramsey starting at 7:00pm.

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**Present:** Cllrs Coates (Chair), Attrill, Coates, Griggs Harbour, Lane, Pearce and Sanderson.

**Also in attendance:** Emma Haward (Clerk/RFO)

**Members of the Public:** There were no members of the public present.

### **25/180 Public Announcements**

There were no public announcements.

### **25/181 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received by Cllrs C and J Aubrey, and accepted by all.

### **25/182 Declarations of Interests**

Cllr Coates declared an interest in Planning Application **25/00490/TELLIC - The Old Rectory Rectory Road Little Oakley Essex** due to being a neighbour of the property.

### **25/183 Signing of the Minutes**

It was proposed by Cllr Coates, seconded by Cllr Attrill, and RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

### **25/184 Public Speaking**

There were no speakers present.

### **25/185 Report from District Councillor Bush**

No report due to absence.

### **25/186 Report from County Councillor Land**

No report due to absence.

### **25/187 Clerks Report**

No further update.

### **25/188 Finance**

Previously circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr Coates, seconded by Cllr Pearce, and RESOLVED to approve the payments and expenses for June 2025.

It was proposed by Cllr Coates, seconded by Cllr Pearce and RESOLVED to transfer £1,500 from the Savings Account.

It was agreed to purchase a laptop for the Chairman's use, with a maximum budget of £700 where the expense will be added to the payments list for July.

It was proposed by Cllr Coates, seconded by Cllr Attrill, and RESOLVED to approve the Certificate of Exemption and duly sign the Annual Governance & Accountability Statement for submission to PKF Little John.

### **25/189 Planning Application**

**25/00490/TELLIC - The Old Rectory Rectory Road Little Oakley Essex** - Installation of fixed line broadband electronic communications apparatus.

Tendring Council strongly advised against the location of the apparatus due to imposing a negative impact on the setting of the heritage asset.

It was agreed to write to Tendring District Council to express the Parish Council dissatisfaction that the apparatus has been installed against their advice.

### **Determinations**

There were no determinations.

### **25/190 Oakley Coronation Park**

Cllr Attrill contacted County Cllr Land to ask ECC to progress with their response in granting permission to install play equipment in the park. Cllr Land forward a reply advising that a letter license will be provided to the Parish Council.

It was agreed, subject to obtaining the above license, to apply for £8,820 from the Rural Community Prosperity Fund for a shelter for the park - including details of the previous grant application.

### **25/191 Allocation of Locality Fund**

It was agreed to request priority for Rectory Road for several areas of pavement, from The Old Rectory towards Oakridge and also beyond Oakridge to The Olde Cherry Tree Pub.

### **25/192 Streetlights**

Thanks were expressed to Cllr Harbour for producing a spreadsheet to calculate the wattage values of the lights in Little Oakley factoring in the charges from SSE. It was noted that Dusk to Dawn calculations are correct however, continuous costs exceed what the usage is calculated as.

Cllr Harbour to update the spreadsheet and send to the Clerk to dispute charges with SSE.

### **25/193 Rubbish**

Cllr Attrill has reported the fly-tipping located at the end of Seaview Avenue. It was agreed to keep an eye on roads and accessways and report if necessary using TDC's Report It Tool.

It was agreed to contact Andy May, to express thanks for maintaining the verges, it would be helpful if he could advise when he wishes to complete the work so that the Parish Council can organise a littler pick in advance.

**25/194 Noticeboards and Bus Shelters**

Cllr Attrill obtained quotes for treating the noticeboards, and for the bus shelters to be sanded and re-painted.

It was agreed to seek additional quotes from Eleanor's Repainting and Decorating Service and Lawson's Bespoke Decorating.

**25/195 Items for Next Agenda**

- Oakley Coronation Park
- Noticeboards & Bus Shelters
- Remembrance Sunday Service
- Internal Audit Review

**Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 9th July 2025 7pm – Full Council Meeting

Meeting concluded at 20:13pm.