

Little Oakley Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12th July 2023 in the Millennium Room, St Michael's Church, Ramsey starting at 7:00pm.

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Present: Cllrs Attrill (Chairman), Coates and Harbour.

Also Present: County Cllr Land, Emma Haward (Clerk/RFO).

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

23/032 Public Announcements

Cllr Attrill informed members that the Parish Council, between 30th June and 11th August is exercising the right for the inspection of its accounts. Members of the public are advised to contact the Clerk regarding the Parish Council accounts.

23/033 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Griggs, Lane and District Cllr Bush, and accepted by all.

23/034 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

23/035 Signing of the Minutes

It was proposed by Cllr Harbour, and seconded by Cllr Attrill, and RESOLVED that the minutes from the Full Council meeting of **14th June 2023** were accepted as a true record and be duly signed.

23/036 Public Speaking

There were no members of the public present.

23/037 Report from District Councillor Bush

No report due to absence.

23/038 Report from County Councillor Land

- Cllr Land attended the open day of the Oakley coronation park, he thanked everyone for their efforts.
- Cllr Land mentioned the road improvements between Great and Little Oakley, a capital scheme for resurfacing where some issues were raised on social media. Cllr Land responded accordingly, and welcomes feedback from residents.
- Cllr Land has submitted 18 out of 36 pot holes as part of Essex County Council's repair scheme, members to advise Cllr Land of any pot holes requiring repair.

Cllr Land left the meeting at 19.19pm.

23/039 Clerk's Report

Report previously circulated.

The Clerk previously contacted UK Power Networks to arrange for the reconnection of the former lamp on Rectory Road, UK Power Networks asked for more details in relation to the location and advised that an invoice will be sent to the Parish Council.

- Clerk to respond to advise that a contractor previously took the lamp down and that the Parish Council felt that it was not fair to pay for the reconnection.

23/040 Finance Report and Expenses

Report previously circulated.

- It was proposed by Cllr Attrill, and seconded by Cllr Coates, and RESOLVED to transfer £2,000 from the savings account to cover costs for July and August.
- It was proposed by Cllr Attrill, and seconded by Cllr Harbour, and RESOLVED to accept the expenses for July and August.

23/041 Planning Applications

23/00894/NDPNOT – Two Village C of E Primary School, Mayes Lane, Ramsey, Harwich CO12 5EL -

Application under Part 14, Class J of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) for erection of roof mounted solar panels with a total capacity of 95 kWp.

The Parish Council agreed not to submit comments on the above application.

23/042 Petition to Suspend Property Dealing and Development of TDC Land Parcels in Great and Little Oakley and offer the land to Parish Councils

Clerk to circulate Cabinet minutes to members.

It was agreed to obtain quotes for the maintenance of the pieces of land in Bay View Crescent and Seaview Avenue should the need arise and as and when the TDC property dealing procedure unfolds.

23/043 Oakley Coronation Park

- Cllr Attrill thanked everyone for attending, supporting and helping at the Oakley Coronation Park open day.
- Cllrs Attrill and Griggs met with the contractor to resolve the ground issues. Cllr Attrill has requested an estimate to bring the surface up to a better standard.
- It was proposed by Cllr Attrill, and seconded by Cllr Coates and RESOLVED to accept costs of up to £1,000 to rectify the surface area.
- Cllr Attrill advised that no contact has been received from ECC Land Agents following the Parish Council's complaint received in relation to the accessway.

23/044 Grass Verges, Rectory Road

Cllr Coates advised that the verges had been cut in May. It was proposed to monitor times in which it is cut next year.

23/045 Waste Bins

No update. Deferred to the next meeting.

23/046 War Memorial

Cllr Attrill informed members that the conservation works have been completed, the War Memorial Trust grant can now be claimed for up to £380.

Remembrance Sunday: -

Clerk to update Order of Service for the Remembrance Sunday service.

Clerk to contact Reverend to lead the service.

Clerk to arrange purchase of a wreath.

Cllr Attrill to contact the Bugler to arrange attendance.

Cllr Attrill to obtain a telephone number for the Army Officer in attendance at the service last year.

23/047 Governance and Policy Documents

- It was proposed by Cllr Attrill, and seconded by Cllr Harbour, and RESOLVED to accept the updated Members Expenses Policy.
- It was proposed by Cllr Attrill, and seconded by Cllr Harbour, and RESOLVED to accept the updated Health and Safety Policy.

23/048 Items for Next Agenda

- Waste bins
- Oakley Coronation Park
- Meeting dates for November and January
- Review Sea Wall Re-alignment (date given for farming to stop on land)

23/049 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting:

Full Council Meeting, Wednesday 14 September 2023, Millennium Room, St Michaels Church, Ramsey at 7.00pm.

Meeting concluded at 20.05 pm.