

RAMSDEN CRAYS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RAMSDEN CRAYS PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE CHURCH HALL, RAMSDEN CRAYS ON WEDNESDAY 7TH OCTOBER, 2009 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Councillors: A. Peake (Chairman), D. McPherson-Davis and J. Lucas

ALSO PRESENT:

Georgina Bassett – Clerk to the Council

No members of the public

01/42 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence received by Cllr. T. Borer, Cllr. R. Reeve and Cllr. S. Allen.

01/43 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 16th September 2009 were **agreed** as an accurate reflection of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. D. McPherson-Davis and seconded by Cllr. A. Peake.

01/44 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

No "personal" or "personal or prejudicial" interests were received relating to items on the agenda.

PUBLIC SESSION

An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues on agenda items (10 mins. Maximum)

- 01/45** (a) Code of Conduct 2007 s.12(2): Members with prejudicial interests to be heard, then leave the room immediately after they have made their representations, answered questions or given evidence. Councillors are unable to remain in the room to hear the representations of others. After the close of the public participation session, any member having left due to section 12(2) may rejoin the Council.

Please note: When the Council starts to discuss any item on the agenda where a member has an interest, the member with that interest must have regard to the Code of Conduct and make the necessary disclosure and where appropriate leave the meeting.

- (b) Public to be heard.

None.

- (c) **Essex County Council by District/Basildon District Council Ward Councillors Reports.** Five minutes allocation to allow them the opportunity to update the Parish on various issues within the Parish, District and County.

None.

01/46 PROGRESS CHECK FROM LAST MEETING

Update on actions meeting 16th September. Any business requiring a decision is listed on this agenda.

Cllr. Lucas confirmed that he had received a second letter regarding North Road and this will be an agenda item for 21st October Meeting.

01/47 PRECEPT CONSIDERATION

To review the expenditure and forecast for 2009/2010 and consider precept/budget for 2010 – 2011.

The precept and budget were considered and a proposal for the 21st October meeting to be considered by members is for the precept for the year 2010-2011 to remain the same.

01/48 THREE YEAR PLAN FOR PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

The three year plan for the precept was discussed and the Council will wait for the feedback from the residents for further consideration on the three year plan after the distribution of the newsletter.

01/49 COMMUNITY INITIATIVES FUND – HIGHWAYS

Application for funding for 2010-2011 for future projects for the Parish Council were considered. A proposal will be considered at the meeting on 21st October to apply for funding for an extension to the footpath in Crays Hill.

01/50 NEWSLETTER

The newsletter to residents including requests for projects for the financial year 2010 – 2011 was considered and approved for printing and distribution.

01/51 EXTERNAL MEETINGS – REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

To note reports from councillors on any meetings they have attended or updates, since the last meeting (or, where written reports have not been made available before the meeting, representatives will give verbal reports).

- (i) Cllr. J. Lucas provided a brief update on the pre meeting of the BDC Liaison Meeting he attended with Cllr. D. McPherson-Davis.
- (ii) Cllr. Lucas provided an update on the P3 activity at Little Burstead Parish Council.

01/52 INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Agenda items for the next Parish Council Meeting.

Newsletter – (i) invoice payment (ii) projects response from residents.
Second letter received from resident regarding North Road.
Bus shelter maintenance – funding.

01/53 CORRESPONDENCE:

For information only:

BDC

Appeals and General Purposes Committee Minutes 09.07.09, 04.08.09

Cabinet Minutes 28.07.09
Develop. Control and Traffic Management Cttee. Mins. 08.09.09, 22.09.09
Licensing Act 2003 Sub-Committee Mins. 27.07.09
Town and Parish Council Liaison Meeting 22.09.09

EALC

Briefing Report, 14,15,16 Awards 2009

County Update September 2009

Essex County Council

Essex Works – Passenger Transport Representatives Meetings – Autumn

Essex Works 07.10.09

General

Campaign to Protect Rural England – September, 2009.

Essex Playing Fields Association Newsletter, Summer 2009.

RCCE – Best Kept Village Competition 2009

RCCE – Salings Village Hall, Braintree – RCCE Village Hall & Community Building Conference 2009

Press Release John Baron M.P. 21.07.09 – Dale Farm

Making the Links – Essex Works, September, 2009

01/54 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues on items not on the agenda (10 mins. maximum)

01/55 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:

The next Ramsden Crays Parish Council Meeting will be on Wednesday 21st October, 2009 at 7.30 p.m. at the Church Hall, Crays Hill.

MEETING CLOSED AT 20:48

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN): DATE: