

## **RAMSDEN CRAYS PARISH COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RAMSDEN CRAYS PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE CHURCH HALL, RAMSDEN CRAYS ON WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2010 AT 7.30 P.M.

### **PRESENT:**

Councillors: A. Peake (Chairman), T. Borer, R. Reeve and D. McPherson-Davis

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Georgina Bassett – Clerk to the Council  
2 Members of the public

### **96/02 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence received from Cllr. John Lucas.

### **97/02 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

No declarations of interest received relating to any "personal" or "personal or prejudicial" interests relating to items on the agenda.

### **98/02 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 were **agreed** and signed as accurate. Proposed by Cllr. Borer and seconded by Cllr. McPherson-Davis.

### **07:32 Open session**

#### **99/02 PRESENTATION FROM BILLERICAY NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM**

Two representatives of the PCSO answered enquiries from the public and Parish Council.

14 vehicle crimes from 1<sup>st</sup> April – 12<sup>th</sup> July including theft of motor vehicles from Crouch Ward – one crime detected. The speed survey device will be installed shortly. Speed survey to commence at Hardings Elms Road and the 30 mph sign moved further back to the junction of Hardings Elms Road to reduce traffic. Speed devices have been carried out in London Road and Gardiners Lane North.

Ongoing speed consultation in the area by PCSO's. Report will be sent to the Parish Council.

PCSO's informed members that they have partial use of a vehicle for some of the shifts.

### **07:48 Closed session**

#### **100/02 PUBLIC SESSION**

Public to be heard.

- (i) Resident requested response on travellers site from John Baron MP.
- (ii) Question raised on the response to the letter sent to the Police on the quote in the newspaper.

No report from Essex County Council by District/Basildon District Council Ward Councillors Reports.

### **01/03 PROGRESS CHECK FROM LAST MEETING**

These items on this agenda.

### **02/03 INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

Agenda items for the next Parish Council Meeting, BATPC representative or items for members attending BDC Pre-Liaison Meeting.

BATPC - delay to receipt of planning correspondence – BATPC.

**Resolution** from Cllr. Reeves “To request further information on previous request to E.C.C. Highways for 30 mph speed limit around Oak Road and request reinstatement of signs”.

### **03/03 EXTERNAL MEETINGS – REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS**

None.

### **04/03 FLOWER TROUGHS**

Cllr. Peake confirmed no further update received from E.C.C. on the site visit for the costings of plants, bulbs and shrubs within the Parish.

### **05/03 HIGHWAYS PANEL – LOCALISM AGENDA**

The following items were **agreed** for Cllr. McPherson-Davis to present as the Representative at the Highways Panel Working Group on 5<sup>th</sup> August.

- (i) Speeding in Harding Elms Road.
- (ii) Confirmation that Oak Road is financially approved for full repairs in this financial year 2010.
- (iii) Gardiners Lane North – condition at the end of the road near the A127.
- (iv) Speed limit 30 mph to be moved back to the junction of Hardings Elms Road to calm traffic.
- (v) Speed limit reduction from 40 to 30 mph in Hardings Elms/Pipps Hill Road.
- (vi) Reinstatement of the 30mph signs in Oak Road.
- (vii) Public crossing on the A129 at the Shepherd and Dog.
- (viii) Traffic lights/mini roundabout be installed at the junction of the A129 of Hardings Elms Road.
- (ix) Mini roundabout at junction A129 with Church Road.

### **06/03 OAK LANE**

- (i) The Parish Council was unable to review the situation on the eviction process – nothing confirmed from B.D.C. It was **agreed** for the Clerk to write to B.D.C. and cc Ward and District Councillors and MP John Baron that the Parish Council will have an Extra Ordinary Parish Council Meeting in August if the 28 days notice has not been served in the near future. This will be to discuss the future plans/actions of the village.
- (ii) No response on the issue of legal pitches from B.D.C. It was **agreed** to defer to the September meeting.

### **07/03 LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES**

Cllr. McPherson-Davis updated on the Planning session at B.D.C. offices that it was an explanation of LDC's.

It was **agreed** for the Clerk to write to Mr. E. Pickles, MP to review the current policy

for Lawful Development Certificates particularly with regard to Green Belt policy cc John Baron MP.

**08/03 WAR MEMORIALS**

**Open session 08:45 p.m.**

**Closed session 08:48 p.m.**

It was **resolved** "For the Clerk to contact two experts in War Memorials to invite them to give quotes for costings of both the memorials. Cllr. Reeve will liaise to meet them.

**09/03 CHANGES IN RESPONSIBILITY TO CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL PASSES AND THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

It was **agreed** to put the poster onto the Notice Board and defer response to the September meeting.

**10/03 SUBMISSION OF THE NORTH CHELMSFORD AREA ACTION PLAN**

It was noted that Chelmsford Borough Council has submitted the North Chelmsford Area Action Plan (NCAPP) to the Secretary of State.

**11/03 LOW PEDESTAL SLIDE – OFFICIAL OPENING**

It was **agreed** for the Clerk to write to E.C.C. Cllr. Jowers and thank him for attending the presentation and E.C.C. Initiatives Fund for the donation towards the purchase of the equipment in the Park area.

**12/03 SUMMER NEWSLETTER**

It was **agreed** to wait until after the decision on whether to have an Extra Ordinary Meeting during August. At that time to include under Police Surgeries that the Police are now attending the Parish Council meetings on a regular basis.

**13/03 PLANNING**

**Applications:**

**10/00749/FULL.** Demolition of existing single storey rear extensions and construction of two storey rear extension with ground floor infill extension.

**Location:** Great Barns, Oak Avenue, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

The Parish Council objected as over development in green belt.

**Decisions:**

**10/367/FULL.** Single storey side and rear extensions.

**Location:** Sylvan Rest, Gardiners Lane North. **Granted.**

**14/03 CORRESPONDENCE**

BDC

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Cabinet Minutes 24.06.10

Community Safety and Housing Scrutiny Committee Minutes 02.03.10

Development Control and Traffic Management Committee Minutes 22.06.10

Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Minutes 10.03.10

General

Press Release – John Baron MP

**15/03 FINANCE**

It was **agreed** to pay the following:

Heelis & Lodge end of year internal audit for year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2010	£115.00
Clerk's Salary/expenses July 2010	£299.97
Clerk's Salary/expenses August 2010	£262.29
Noak Bridge Parish Council – training Cllr. A. Peake	£21.00

**Recommendation** “Although the play equipment has been installed and the press release of the official opening of the low pedestal slide went ahead. It was observed that the surrounding area needs to be made good by the installers prior to the £4,141.08 payment”. **Resolved** – to defer signing off the installation of the play equipment.

**16/03 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:**

None.

**17/03 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:**

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2010 at 7.30 p.m. at the Church Hall, Crays Hill.

**MEETING CLOSED AT 09:23 P.M.**

**SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):** ..... **DATE:** .....