

Ramsden Crays Parish Council



Minutes of the Ramsden Crays Parish Council Meeting held on
Tuesday 21st December 2023 at 7.00pm at Ramsden Bellhouse Village Hall

Attendance:

Cllrs. Jenkins, McPherson-Davis, Kirby & Finn

Cllr. Allen

9 members of the public

118/2023 Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Sergeant, Emma Beadle

119/2023 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14th November 2023

All agreed. Proposed by Cllr Jenkins, seconded by Cllr. Kirby **RESOLVED** Signed by Cllr. McPherson-Davis.

120/2023 Declaration of Members Interests

To receive pecuniary or non pecuniary declarations of interest on items on the Agenda.

None

121/2023 Reports from County and Borough Councillors

Borough Council

Rubbish collection – Black sacks will continue to be collected for a short period of time until the new collection programme is fully understood by residents.

122/2023 Members of the Public

Opportunity for members of the public to comment on agenda items and other matters.

Residents from Ramsden View Road who attended the meeting raised a number of further issues following items raised in minute 111/2023. Cllr. Allen said that he would contact the relevant department and report back to them.

123/2023 Planning

To Consider

Application No. 23/01374/FULL

Proposed single storey front, side and rear extension and a new raised clipped, hipped roof incorporating rooflights (amended scheme) – **Stansell View, Gardiners Lane North, Billericay**
The Parish Council agreed not to object to this application.

Application No. 23/01468/FULL

Installation of a solar farm and battery storage facility with associated infrastructure on land at Barleylands, South of Great Burstead on land South East of Coxes Farm Road, Billericay; and installation of underground cabling from proposed solar farm along A129 (London Road/Southend Road, Wickford) to eastern borough boundary to link Rayleigh Main Substation, Rawreth (Amended proposal) – **Barleylands, Barleylands Road, Billericay, Essex**
The Parish Council agreed to object to this Application on the grounds that if it is agreed it will further reduce prime agricultural land that should be retained to help feed our citizens.

Application No. 23/01423/FULL

The demolition of the existing buildings and the construction of 7 No. new dwelling houses and associated landscaping, access, car and cycle parking and refuse and recycling provision – **Pipps Hill Farm, Pipps Hill Road North, Billericay**
The Parish Council agreed to object to this Application as it relates to development on Green Belt land.

Application No. 23/01518/FULL

Erection of 4 No. detached dwelling houses and associated parking, hardsurfacing, access and amenity space – **Land Opposite Heyburns, Southlands Road, Crays Hill, Billericay**
The Parish Council agreed to object to this Application as it relates to development on Green Belt land.

124/2023 Application for Funding for Queen Elizabeth Memorial Bench

Parish Clerk to write to Cllr. Ball (ECC) to see if funding is still available to contribute towards this project. **RESOLVED**

125/2023 Precept 2024

Cllr. Jenkins proposed, seconded by Cllr. Kirby a Precept for the year commencing 1st April 2024 of £14,425.56 which would mean no increase for the third year running with a Band D contribution of £27 **RESOLVED** The Chairman and Clerk to sign the submission form and submit to Basildon Council.

126/2023 Budget 2024

Cllr. McPherson-Davis proposed, seconded by Cllr. Kirby the Parish Council Budget for the year 2024/25. **RESOLVED**

127/2023 Website Updates

All agreed that the Clerk should review the Rules and Regulations on Council website and recommend to Councillors those which need amending. **RESOLVED**

128/2023 Finance**(a) Expenditure to Consider**

Ramsden Bellhouse Village Hall	Fee for December 2023 Council Meeting Additional cost for November meeting Hire of hall on 10 th December for interviews	£12.00 £6.00 £12.00 Total: £30
Parish Clerk	Salary for November 2023 Payment for Remembrance Sunday Refreshments	£260.00 £150.00 Total: £410.00
M.R. Brown	Cleaning of bus shelters November 2023	£90.00
Cllr. David McPherson-Davis	Wreaths for Remembrance Sunday Donation to Royal British Legion	£40.00 £10.00 Total: £50.00

Proposed by Cllr. Kirby, seconded by Cllr. Jenkins to pay all items.

All agreed. **RESOLVED**

129/2023 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 15th January 2024

Ramsden Bellhouse Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

Chairman **Date**