Ramsden Crays Parish Council



Minutes of the Ramsden Crays Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th December 2024 ClIrs. McPherson-Davis, Jenkins, Kirby & Pusey ClIrs. Buckley & Ball Emma Beadle – Clerk

125/2024 Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Bailey

126/2024 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11th November 2024

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

127/2024 Declaration of Members Interests

To receive pecuniary or non pecuniary declarations of interest on items on the Agenda. None

128/2024 Reports from County and Borough Councillors

Essex County Council

<u>Budget</u>

The County Council are currently unsure of what the settlement will be from the Government. There are planned NI and minimum wage increases which will affect the County and Borough Councils. This should be decided on December 18th.

Essex Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner have reported that there will be a likely increase in their precept next year to maintain the current level of services.

129/2024 Members of the Public

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

130/2024 Planning

To consider:

Application No. 24/01287/PAAS

Prior approval application for the proposed creation of an additional (second) storey under Class AA of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) with a maximum height including the additional storey of 8.69 metres (maximum dwelling height) – **10 Bromfelde Road, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex**

The Parish Council **AGREED** they had no objection to this Application.

Application No. 24/01327/FULL

Carport to front, single storey rear extension and detached outbuilding in rear garden – The Firs, Oak Avenue, Crays Hill, Billericay

The Parish Council **AGREED** they had no objection to this Application.

Application No. 24/01202/VAR

Variation of Condition 2 (approved drawings) – Change of substation building dimensions on site of planning application ref. 22/00296/FULL (allowed at Appeal). The removal of the overhang and the addition of a canopy (to the South elevation) with external surface variations – **Crays Hall Farm, Church Lane, Ramsden Crays, Billericay**

The Parish Council **AGREED** they could not comment on this Application as there is insufficient detail of the changes in the plans provided.

Application No. 24/01353/FULL

Construction of a "Granny Annex" to the rear of garden – Westerings, Crays Hill, Billericay

The Parish Council **AGREED** to object to this Application on the basis that the annex is proposed to be situated outside the curtilage of the property and the land on which it would be sited is greenbelt land.

131/2024 Budget & Precept

The Budget for 2025/2026 was **AGREED.** Precept Demand for 2025 was **AGREED**. There will be no increase next year and remains at £27 per household calculated at band D level. Proposed by Cllr. McPherson-Davis, seconded by Cllr. Kirby **RESOLVED**

132/2024 Local Plan

Comments for the draft Local Plan need to be submitted by January 12th, 2025. The Parish Council notes there is a shortfall in employment for the housing proposed, there is a lack of infrastructure such as schools and doctors surgeries and lack of strategic overview. Clerk to comment to Draft Local Plan Consultation. **RESOLVED**

133/2024 Chairman's Report

The Chairman will be submitting his resignation as he is moving away from the area. He expressed how much he has enjoyed serving the Parish Council and will miss living in the village. The Parish Council thanked him for his long and dedicated service and he will be greatly missed.

134/2024 Proposed Nursery at Crays Hill Primary School

Clerk to post information poster and questionnaire on the website for proposed Nursery. RESOLVED

135/2024 Finance

(a) Expenditure to Consider

Parish Clerk	Salary for November 2024 - £468	Chq. No. 229	£542.20
	Purchase of Stamps - £13.20		
	Purchase of HP Printer Cartridge -		
	£61		
Prime Klenz	Cleaning of bus shelters and notice	Chq.	
	boards November 2024	No.230	£90
EALC	Councillor/Clerk Planning Training	Chq No.	£312.00
		231	
Shepherd & Dog	Providing Refreshments for	Chq No.	£150
	Remembrance Sunday Service	226	

Proposed by Cllr. Kirby, seconded by Cllr. Jenkins to pay all items. All agreed. **RESOLVED**

136/2024 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 13th January, 2024

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Personnel Meeting Followed

Chairman Date