

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF RAMSDEN CRAYS
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 4TH APRIL, 2014 AT
8.00 P.M. AT NOAK BRIDGE COMMUNITY HALL

PRESENT:

Councillors: A. Peake, T. Borer, D. McPherson-Davis and N. Flint

No members of the public

No representatives of the press

70/14 APOLOGIES:

Apologies of attendance received from Cllr. Aungier and Cllr. T. Sargent.

71/14 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12th March, 2014 were approved as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr. Borer and seconded by Cllr. Flint – **agreed.**

72/14 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS:

No "non-pecuniary" or other interests relating to items on the agenda were received.

73/14 PUBLIC SESSION:

(a) No members of the public heard.

(b) No reports from Essex County Council by District/Basildon Borough Council Ward Councillors.

74/14 FINANCE:

Bank Statements:

Payments of the following were considered and it was **agreed** to pay:

Noak Bridge Community Association – Hall	£16.00
Campaign to Protect Rural England - renewal	£36.00
The Society of Local Council Clerks Annual Membership (half with Shotgate)	£147.00
EALC – planning training for Cllr. McPherson-Davis – June 2014	£67.00

75/14 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Application 14/00263/LDC. Establish the lawfulness of a proposed first floor rear extension.

Location: Highlands, London Road, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

No comment.

Application 14/00280/FULL. Conversion of garage into a bedroom, provision of window with obscured glazing at first floor level to serve en suite.

Location: 25 Church Road, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

Not in Parish of Ramsden Crays.

Application 14/00324/FULL. Demolition of existing worship hall and erection of two-storey pitched roof building comprising a cosmetic centre at ground floor level and two-bedroom residential flat at first floor with association car parking.

Location: All Saints Church and Community Centre, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

The Parish Council objected on the grounds of:

Building out of character and balcony intrusive to residents.

Air condition units will generate noise to other residents.

Location of the bin store will obstruct the sight line for vehicles accessing Oak Avenue and those exiting the car park.

Parking bays 13 and 4 when occupied will obstruct the sight lines.

The ground floor frontage of the new building extends too far North and would reduce the sight lines.

Too much congestion at the car park, no turning space for vehicles.

Oak Avenue is a private road so external parking is not available.

PLANNING TRAINING SESSION – 5TH JUNE, 2014 – EALC:

Consideration for Cllr. McPherson-Davis to attend training session at a cost of £67.00 at Great Dunmow. It was agreed for him to attend and payment to be made.

REPLACEMENT MINERALS LOCAL PLAN – ECC:

This consultation was noted.

76/14 STONE MEMORIAL:

Veolia Thames Trust have liaised with the Parish Clerk and confirmed funding for this will be considered at its next meeting.

77/14 CHURCH HALL:

Marks Miller & Co have sent an additional request for further information to be received from the diocese solicitors on St. Marys Church Hall, Crays Hill, Ramsden Crays.

78/14 HIGHWAYS:

To note updates on the following after an updated request of specific areas was sent to ECC Highways and Basildon Borough Council:

- (i) Basildon Borough Council has been asked to clean the plastic gateways at both entrances to Ramsden Crays. This will be followed up.
- (ii) Awaiting information from Basildon on the supplier recommended to clean the four bus shelters within Ramsden Crays.

The majority of the silt in London Road along the kerb has been removed. Some of the potholes have been filled along Hardings Elms Road.

79/14 DALE FARM:

ECC to be contacted to advise that the perimeter pathway along Dale Farm perimeter has been wired off.

80/14 VEOLIA – HAVERING RIVERSIDE TRUST:

Date for the official opening date of the zip wire will be on Tuesday 13th May, 2014 at 2.00 p.m. with the Mayor in attendance. Press statement and invite to press to be arranged.

81/14 VILLAGE SIGN – RAMSDEN CRAYS:

The pictures we have are not good enough for the vinyl stickers. Aluminum shield sign written painted on is being considered.

82/14 MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE TO CRAYS HILL – DELETION TO SERVICE:

The cancellation to service of mobile service to High View Rise was reviewed, comments already made to Essex County Council and awaiting response from earlier enquiry.

83/14 PROGRESS CHECK FROM LAST MEETING:
Update on actions from last meeting were noted.

84/14 INFORMATION EXCHANGE:
No agenda items received for the next Parish Council Meeting, ABLC representative or items for members attending B.B.C. Liaison Meeting.

85/14 EXTERNAL MEETINGS – REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS:
Cllr. McPherson-Davis confirmed that ABLC will make enquiries on street lights, core strategy, highways on the Courtauld Road re biodigester and Basildon Terms of Reference for the next liaison meeting at Basildon.

86/14 CORRESPONDENCE:
Information received noted.

87/14 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:
Members of the public raised issues not on the agenda:

88/14 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:
The next meeting of Ramsden Crays Parish Council will be on Wednesday 23rd April, 2014 at 8.00 p.m. at Crays Hill Primary School after the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 p.m.

Meeting ended at 8.34. p.m.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN): DATE: