

# MINUTES OF RAMSDEN CRAYS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2014 AT 7.30 P.M. AT CRAYS HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL, RAMSDEN CRAYS

## **PRESENT:**

Councillors: A. Peake, T. Borer, D. McPherson-Davis, S. Aungier and N. Flint  
2 members of the public  
No representatives of the press  
Cllr. T. Sargent

## **38/14 APOLOGIES:**

No apologies for non-attendance to the meeting received.

## **39/14 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 were **agreed** as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr. Flint and seconded by Cllr. Borer.

## **40/14 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS:**

A pecuniary interest was received on agenda item 45/14 planning reference 14/006/16 from Cllr. Flint.

## **41/14 PRESENTATION – POLICE:**

P.C. Wyn Sharp was unable to attend, apologies received. A crime update was reviewed.

## **42/14 STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS:**

It was proposed by Cllr. Peake and seconded by Cllr. Borer for a working party to meet in August, 2014 to review the two documents. A date to be confirmed.

## **43/14 PUBLIC SESSION:**

- (a) A member of the public raised an issue on the condition of the overgrowth at Footpath 69 to the rear of High View Rise.
- (b) Cllr. Sargent confirmed that Basildon Borough Council now has a minority administration. Cllr. Sargent also confirmed the replacement sign for Cray's Hill has been agreed and funded by the Street Scene budget.

## **44/14 FINANCE:**

Payments made on the following were noted:

Essex Ambulance donation under S137 payable new account	£100.00
Clerk's expenditure and salary for June including May arrears	£498.17
Clerk – Co-operative in relation to account payments - overdrawn	£25.00
EALC Council's 2 hour Short Course 10 <sup>th</sup> April, 2014 add. amount	£38.50
Tax/N.I. – Post office April – June 2014	£240.10

The amount in the Co-operative Account of £2.15 and newly opened Barclays account at £12,000.00 were noted.

Cllr. McPherson-Davis – flowers – two residents	£40.00
Information Commissioner (July 2014 – June 2015)	£35.00
Rural Community Council of Essex renewal June 2014 – May 2015	£66.00

Proposed payment of the above three items by Cllr. Peake and seconded by Cllr. Borer – **agreed**.

#### **45/14 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

##### **Application:**

**Application No: 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.

Objections. Reiterate previous comments. Additional traffic on the bend the Parish Council considers will be dangerous with the possibility of at least another 100 additional movements of traffic a day.

Cllr. Flint left the meeting 7.48 p.m.

**Application No: 14/00616/NMABAS** To establish whether repositioning the proposed bungalow 2.5m east could be considered as a non-material to application 13/00871/FULL.

**Location:** Rosedene, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

No objections.

Cllr. Flint returned 7.49 p.m.

**Application No: 14/00643/PDPA** Prior notification for the construction of a single storey rear extension extending 4m beyond the rear wall of the original elevation, with a maximum height of 3.8m and an eaves height of 3.0m.

**Location:** 5 London Road, Crays Hill, Billericay, Essex.

No objections.

**Application No: APP/V1505/D14/2218141.** Detached games room.

**Location:** Beechcroft, Oak Road, Crays Hill, Billericay.

Appeal has been received by the planning inspectorate on this application. Reference 13/01230/FULL.

Noted.

##### **Decisions:**

**Application No: 14/00263/LDC.** Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 1 no. new dwelling house.

**Location:** Maybe, Pitsea View Road, Billericay, Essex. **Granted.**

#### **46/14 COMMUNITY PROJECTS:**

- (i) The request to Basildon Borough Council on funding of a village sign is being reviewed by members at Basildon and they are prepared to pay for a new village sign. Cllr. McPherson-Davis provided an update on this.
- (ii) Veolia North Thames Trust has offered £7,400.00 funding towards the stone wall memorial project. The Parish considered this offer and agreed to thank them and accept. Once Veolia has confirmed receipt of this and subject to Cllr. Peake following up an enquiry on an increase on the cost from the supplier and a couple of other slight amendments the Council will review these at the next meeting, prior to ordering. Proposed by Cllr. Peake and seconded by Cllr. Borer to accept and sign – **agreed**.

#### **47/14 HIGHWAYS:**

To note any areas improved or additionally outstanding to the request to ECC Highways and Basildon Borough Council on specific issues within the Parish and the following:

- (i) Basildon offices response to the Parish for its request for the plastic gateways to be cleaned at both entrances to Ramsden Crays should be resolved shortly.
- (ii) The update on a supplier recommended from Basildon to clean bus shelters within Ramsden Crays and the situation regarding cost for this service is still awaited.
- (iii) New park sign is not visible, covered by overgrowth. Advise Basildon of situation.

Councillors will have an area each of a site review prior to September Parish Council meeting to be considered at the September meeting.

**48/14 DALE FARM:**

Any additional information received from Basildon Borough Council was noted.

**49/14 NEWSLETTER:**

The information sent to all members for review on another newsletter prior to printing and distribution. Transport information to be received from Cllr. Flint and overall review prior to printing.

**50/14 FOOTPATHS:**

The Parish reviewed overgrowth on footpaths and also the overgrowth from trees affecting road signs etc. within the Parish. Clerk to liaise with relevant department regarding footpath clearance at ground level.

**51/14 PROGRESS CHECK FROM LAST MEETING:**

Update on actions from last meeting noted.

**52/14 INFORMATION EXCHANGE:**

No additional agenda items for the next Parish Council Meeting, ABLC representative or items for members attending B.B.C. Liaison Meeting.

**53/14 EXTERNAL MEETINGS – REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS:**

No additional information.

**54/14 CORRESPONDENCE:**

Information received noted.

**55/14 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:**

Members of the public raised an issue:

Is it likely to be a problem in the future for the Parish Council meeting to be held in the Crays Hill School within the Parish of Ramsden Crays?

The Chairman confirmed that he has been invited to a meeting with the Chairman of the Governors to discuss this issue.

**56/14 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of Ramsden Crays Parish Council should be in July, 2014 at 7.30 p.m. at Crays Hill Primary School. The date to be confirmed.

**Meeting ended at 8.50 p.m.**

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