

Ordinary Meeting of Mountnessing Parish Council
St. John's Hall, Church Road, Mountnessing, Monday, 12 November 2018

MINUTES

- 18/132. To receive and agree apologies for absence**
Apologies received from the Borough Councillors for anticipated late arrival.
Absent: Cllr Santry and Cllr Wagland
- In attendance: Cllr Stephenson. Cllr Broughton, Cllr Harries, Cllr McKinney, Cllr Read, Cllr Broughton, Laura Brown – Parish Clerk, 5 members of the public
- 18/133. To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 8 October 2018**
It was resolved that the minutes from 8 October 2018 were a true record.
- 18/134. Announcement and Declaration of Interests by Parish Councillors**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 18/135. Public Question Time**
3 members of the public from Crosby Close enquired as to updates regarding the potential development in the village. Cllr Stephenson advised that there was no further information from the developers and that the site in discussion is not included on the revised Local Development Plan.
- 18/136. To receive reports by Borough and County Councillors – to include an update on the LDP following the BBC Extraordinary meeting on 8 November 2018**
The Borough Councillors arrived at 8.30pm and this item was addressed on their arrival.
- Two members of the public expressed concerns about the council owned property adjacent to theirs and the condition of the garden which is impacting on their home. BCllr Bridge will liaise with the residents and pursue the gardening issue with the relevant Borough Council.
- Borough Councillors confirmed that Crosby Close was not mentioned in the recent LDP meeting. Nothing has changed from the original proposal made in January in relation to Mountnessing. It was explained that areas have been zoned for potential housing – for example the Garden Centre site, but this doesn't automatically mean that permission will be granted.
- At this stage comments submitted regarding the LDP relate to whether the plan has been compiled correctly rather than whether agreement is given to individual sites.
- There is no update on the potential Brentwood BC house development in Church Crescent where there are currently a mix of private and council garages.
- Brentwood Borough Council have deemed that no changes are necessary to the current car parking situation in Mountney Close.
- 18/137. Traffic concerns in Mountnessing**
A report from Cllr McKinney regarding current concerns in the village will be circulated to all in the next few weeks for discussion at a later meeting.
- 18/138. Finance.**
The monthly Financial Statement and Bank Requisition for October 2018 were noted and approved by all.
- 18/139. Planning**
To agree Council responses for submission with regards to new planning applications

I. **New applications:**
There were no new applications for discussion

II. **For update:**
18/01460/FUL - North Barn Master Johns Farm Thoby Lane - **Refused**
18/01522/FUL - Meadowside Swallows Cross Road - **Pending**
Thoby Priory – no update

18/140. Councillor Training
Parish Councillors will consider the proposed training modules provided by EALC and indicate their top 5 to the Parish Clerk in order for a tailor-made training session to be arranged.

18/141. Communications update
The Parish Clerk advised that the Winter edition of the newsletter will be ready for circulation the first week in December.

18/142. To receive updates on the following maintenance/development issues.

I. The play area roundabout has been welded and fully repaired. The train will benefit from new matting or turf in the springtime.
Temporary fencing is needed around the pond as this area is exposed now since the recent gas works. The Parish Council will determine who is responsible for providing permanent secure fencing but in the meantime temporary safety measures will be put in place.

II. New locks have been fitted to the changing rooms and new keys purchased. The cricket club have offered to completely refurbish the pavilion. It was noted that the electrical cupboard lock also needs changing.

18/143. To receive Risk Assessments on Parish Assets and agree works should reports indicate any required

a. Children's Play area, Bus Shelters and Tennis Court - a rip has been identified in the tennis court fencing. Parish Clerk to make enquiries as to who could fix this.

b. Village Hall Car Park, Millennium Gardens and Old Recycling Area – rubbish has been dumped in the Village Car park which needs to be removed.

c. Recreation Ground – no issues reported

d. Allotments – no issues reported

e. Water Meadows – a significant amount of rubbish has been dumped in this area. Brentwood Borough Council have agreed to assess the situation and provide a quote for its removal.

f. Village Hall - new lights have been fitted and heaters are being installed in the very near future.

g. St. John's Hall – no issues reported

h. Mountnessing Primary School – the older children have visited Brentwood foodbanks to understand how these operate. The school is supporting a Kids Inspire charity appeal for hampers and gifts.

18/144. Items for inclusion in next Ordinary Meeting agenda
Additional items that have arisen since this agenda was written were discussed at the agreement of the Council.

- A request has been made for installation of a commemorative bench at Coronation Field. The Parish Council agreed to this request.
- Concern was raised about the continued fly tipping near the bridge in Burnthouse Lane. BCllr Cloke will pursue this.

18/145. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 10 December 2018, 7.30pm
- Apologies received from Cllr Read due to holiday.