

MOUNTNESSING PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
St. John's Hall, Church Road, Mountnessing on
Monday, 8 July 2019, 7.30pm
MINUTES

- 19/080. To receive and agree apologies for absence**
Apologies received from BClIr's Cloke, BClIr Hones, CClIr Wagland, ClIr Hoskyn, ClIr Santry
In attendance: ClIr Stephenson, ClIr King, ClIr Harries, ClIr Read, ClIr Broughton, ClIr McKinney, BClIr Bridge, Parish Clerk – Laura Brown
- 19/081. Announcement and Declaration of Interests by Parish Councillors**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 19/081(b) To agree the minutes of the meeting on 10 June 2019**
The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record of events.
- 19/082. Public Question Time-** there were no members of the public present.
- 19/083. To receive reports by Borough and County Councillors**
BClIr Bridge advised that the recycling process is going to change in the Brentwood District later this year. Paper and plastic will be collected separately and residents will be issued with sturdy sacks to collect these in. This will be better for the environment and also will mean Brentwood BC can sell the paper rather than having to pay someone to take the mixed rubbish away.

On behalf of CClIr Wagland, BClIr Bridge reported that a 24point report has been compiled regarding the closure of a section of Ingatestone high street. None of the county or borough councillors had been informed of this situation until the signs appeared on the outskirts of the village.
- 19/084. Finance.**
 - The monthly Financial reports were approved by all.
- 19/085. To discuss the barriers/gate proposal at Coronation Field and the Village Hall.**
It was agreed that the final decision regarding the positioning of the gate and height barrier, required for the Village Hall, could be determined if a grant was secured. Cheaper options could be considered if the bid is not successful. The group created to work on this area will put the bid together based on the bids already obtained.
- 19/086. Planning**
For update:
 1. 19/00199/FUL - Wane Edge 328 Roman - **Refused**
 2. 19/00368/FUL - 1 Church Crescent - **Approved**
- 19/087. To receive Risk Assessments on Parish Assets and discuss any works needed or on-going on the following:**
 - a. Children's Play area, Bus Shelters and Tennis Court – All ClIrs approved the quote from TBS Landscapes to level the ground, lay new turf and fix new matting under the swings and toy train in the play area. Due to the cost it was RESOLVED to proceed with this work and this was proposed by ClIr King and seconded by ClIr Stephenson. Work to commence after the summer holidays.
The hedges adjacent to the play and tennis court need pruning. Parish Clerk will request a quote from Prince Tree surgery who carried out the work last time.
 - b. Village Hall Car Park, Millennium Gardens and Old Recycling Area - posts adjacent to the grass area at the back of the village hall need metal spur points fixing to them to secure them in the ground. Quote approved by TBS Landscaping for this. Similar repairs were approved for the Village Hall car park.

- c. Recreation Ground - Cllr Broughton reported that one of the stations in the outside gym is in need of extended matting due to the wear on the grass. Parish Clerk to contact Freshair Fitness to request this, at no additional cost, as it should have been fitted at installation.
- d. Allotments – successful allotment bbq at the end of June. All plots are now rented out.
- e. Water Meadows - A shed has been dumped in the Water Meadows. There is concern that this may have come from one of the properties that backs on to the parish land. Letters will be written to all occupiers in this area to request no waste disposal here.
- f. Village Hall – The new committee is moving ahead with managing the village hall and quotes have been sought to replace the toilet facilities. A group has been formed to submit a bid for a CIF grant for this. The costings are substantial and it was suggested that Parish reserves could be reallocated to assist with some of this, as the Hall is ultimately owned by the Parish Council. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.
- g. St. John’s Hall – the new chairs are all in place and were appreciated by everyone at the meeting! The central strip lights have been upgraded to LEDs.
- h. Mountnessing Primary School - The school fete was successful but it was noted that there was no advertising for it this year. The classroom switch is happening next week with volunteers from Ford, on the community involvement scheme, assisting with the move.

19/088. To receive report on proposed buildings which could apply for community asset/listed status.
Cllr Santry was not present to give an update so this item will be added to the September agenda.

19/089. To agree any items for inclusion in next Ordinary Meeting agenda

- VE Celebrations 8-10May 2020 (Sept meeting)
- Community assets/listed status within Mountnessing

19/090. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 9 Sept 2019, 7.30pm – St John’s Hall, Church Road.