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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Monday 3rd September 2018 at 7.30pm

121.18 Present: Cllr Sheila Beeton (chair), Cllr Nicola Baker (vice-chair), Cllr Kevin Taylor, Cllr Anne Follows, Cllr Jonathan Smith.
Emma Cansdale , Clerk. Brian Hindley, Asst-Clerk

122.18. Apologies for absence. Cllr Jane Meakin, Cllr Jeffrey Herbert, Cllr John Millican, Cllr Christine Frost

DPC sends best wishes to both John Millican and David Frost

123.18. Declaration of Interest. Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary interests, and non-pecuniary interests not already declared.

124.18 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting 2nd July 2018.

125.18. Update on items from last meeting. Not reported separately.

- Mobile Signal. Cllr Taylor reported that there is a piece in the parish magazine, asking for residents to volunteer to gather data on signal strength within the village.
- Sports Club Refurbishment. Cllr Baker reported that they are waiting for the quotes for the revised work.
- LHP Requests. Crown Street into Manningtree Road has been refused due to lack of width, and a perceived alternative route through The Drift. DPC will continue to look at what can be done.
An additional request has to be submitted to move the Heath VAS further along Long Road East.
- Saunders Field bin store collections. CBC has reported that they will be taking no further action.
- Overhanging tree. East Lane has been reported to PRoW.
- Yellow Lines. Manningtree Road one still not done.

126.18. Have Your Say.

- Report from Cllr Nigel Chapman. Ward Councillor Nigle Chapman was not present, but the clerk read out his report.**

Thanks to Cllr Chapman for his report.

- Report from Cllr Anne Brown. Essex County Council;
Cllr Brown reported a key topic was the Loneliness strategy. She emphasised that we must highlight the issue of loneliness in rural areas.
Starting highways maintenance for the winter.

The clerk is to send a remind to ECC regarding the painting and removal of the ivy on the bridge.

Residents: Concerns were raised regarding the condition of Black Brook along Southfields. It was agreed for Cllr Smith to investigate this further.

127.18. Accounts.

The list of payments was received and agreed. See attached list.** Total cheques and BACS £

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Seconded: Cllr Taylor

Agreed by all

128.18. Planning Advisory Group. Cllr Taylor.

To receive and comment on the following planning applications.

181807 .Westfield Croft, The Heath, Dedham CO7 6BT

Two, Single storey, rear extensions, new front Bay, and new roof to existing front Bay.

Recommendation: No objection

180609. AMENDMENT. Thorne Roughets, Anchor Lane, Dedham Colchester CO7 6BX

Single storey garage/utility side extension, two storey and single storey rear extensions following partial demolition.

Recommendation: The comments raised under the original application stand. Recommend objection. Support the objections of the residents.

Resident feels that the plans are actually worse following the revision. Adverse effect on their privacy. Appears to be an additional bedsit.

For info

181901 East of England Co-op High Street, Dedham Colchester CO7 6DE

Discharge of condition 3 of planning permission 180624.

Gun Hill scrapyard comments have gone in.

Update on the co-op situation. The clerk will request a formal Statement from the CO-OP.

Proposed: Cllr Taylor

Proposed: Cllr Smith

Agreed by all

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129.18. Parking Mill Lane Stratford St Mary. Cllr Beeton.

Cllr Beeton gave a report on the continuing issues around the parking on Mill Lane, stating that NEPP are sympathetic to the situation, but have no jurisdiction on the area that causes the problem.

Cllr Brown suggested that Cllr James Finch, Suffolk CC was the best person to contact regarding the issue.

130.18. Environment Agency Flood Forum feedback. Cllr Smith

To receive a report from Cllr Smith regarding feedback from the Environment Agency following the Flood Forum in 2016.

Cllr Smith reported that he had a meeting with the Environment Agency (Graham Robertson), and discussed the revised plan for the Stour and its tributaries. They are expecting to have this report completed imminently. This will enable third parties to use this, allowing organisations to look individually at properties that fall into the flood zone. *

*3rd parties, such as planning- who will then have to consider any flood alleviation schemes.

The EA will hopefully come and present to the parish in the autumn and help us develop an emergency plan.

They have earmarked funding for a flood alleviation scheme in Dedham, in 2022

Cllr Smith will write an article for the magazine and website once he has received further information from the EA.

131.18. Speeding Vehicles Long Road. Cllr Follows.

Cllr Follows gave a report on behalf of Community Speed Watch.

Cllr Follows reported that we have received a number of complaints regarding speed along Long Road West, which have been supported by the Community Speed Watch data. There is no footway, however, children have to use the road to access the school bus stop.

Following a discussion, it was resolved to request a 30mph speed limit on Long Road West.

Proposed: Cllr Follows

Seconded: Cllr Smith

Agreed by all

Forward to Essex Police

132.18. Playing Field Development: position paper on possible additional equipment** Cllr Baker

Cllr gave her position paper on possible additional equipment and it was discussed whether to undertake a full consultation with residents in the autumn. Full report available on the website.

Following discussions on whether to bring back full proposals to the council prior to going to full consultation with residents, or whether residents should be consulted first, it was agreed that Cllr Baker would bring back a position paper next month.

133.18. WW1 Commemoration Event. Cllr Frost

To receive a report from Cllr Frost and resolve to support the event by funding refreshments.

Following a discussion, it was resolved to donate £500 to be used as determined by the organising committee. Remainder of funds should be split between Help for Heroes and the Poppy Appeal.

134.18. Finger Post replacement

It was resolved to seek quotes for the replacement of the finger post in Royal Square, at the junction of Manningtree Road and at The Heath and to obtain approval from Essex Highways for the installation of the finger posts.

135.18. Brook Street Hedge- Playing Field side

It was resolved to seek quotes for cutting back the inside of the hedge

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Seconded: Cllr Follows

Agreed by all

136.18. Replacement of fence between 'Jacksons Field' and the playing field (behind the tennis courts).

It was resolved to seek quotes for the replacement of the fence.

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Seconded: Cllr Follows

Agreed by all

137.18. Replacement of lime tree and benches

a) To resolve to seek quotes for the replacement of the lime tree and 2 benches.

b) To receive a request for a memorial bench on The Drift for John Hill.

Following a discussion, it was agreed to seek quotes and agree

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Seconded: Cllr Follows

Agreed by all

138.18. Easyspace email service

It was resolved to renew the Easyspace email service at £208.73 plus VAT (£250.48)

Proposed: Cllr Baker

Seconded: Cllr Beeton

Agreed by all

139.18. Defibrillator Electrodes

It was resolved to purchase replacement defibrillator electrodes at a cost of £137.50

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Seconded: Cllr Follows

Agreed by all

140.18. Local Crime report. Asst. Clerk.

2 vehicles were broken into and there was an attempted theft from a container in Stratford Road.

141.8. Correspondence. Clerk.

- Waste disposal near Sewerage Farm. Information passed on to those involved.
- Request for 'Dogs on leads' signs on the recreation fields. To resolve to purchase 3 signs asking dogs to be kept on leads on the Playing Field, Duchy Field and Drift.

It was agreed that further discussion regarding this was required and it would be brought back to the next meeting.

142.18. Matters of continuing reference.

- BT Manhole. Report.

143.18. Date of next meeting. Monday 1st October 2018. To be held in Assembly Rooms Reading Room.