



Great Bromley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9TH JUNE 2021 AT 7.30PM AT GREAT BROMLEY VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs Nicholls (Chairman), Blowers, Fairley (items 7 to end only), Hardy, Heaney, Mander and Smith

Also present: ECC Cllr Guglielmi, TDC Cllr Scott, and Lizzie Ridout (Parish Clerk)

Members of the Public: 2

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were submitted from Cllr Lord, Cllr Robinson and TDC Cllr Wiggins.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 19th May 2021, previously circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record.

3. Declarations of Interest

Members were invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, or other interests, and the nature of them, in relation to any item on the agenda. There were none.

4. Action Sheet review and update

The actions from the last meeting were reviewed and noted.

5. Public Participation

There was none.

6. Site adjacent to Clip Hedge Farm, Harwich Road, Little Bentley

Neil and Amanda Naphine attended the meeting to update Members on proposed design of the site. They advised the name of the development been changed to Alder Park. Plans for some industrial units had been included. Members noted the changes and thanked the applicants for attending the meeting.

7. Planning Applications

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION
21/00654/FUL Mr B Taylor - Maragota Properties Ltd	Proposed replacement of an agricultural storage building with a two bed bungalow (in lieu of Prior Approval for conversion in to a dwelling subject of application 20/01114/COUNOT) Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Land South of Harwich Road, Great Bromley Essex
21/00150/PIP	Permission in Principle for a residential development of five dwellings. Members had been advised just prior to the meeting that the application had been withdrawn, despite approval having been granted. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to TDC to investigate the reasons why the Parish Council and Ward Members had not been consulted. It was also noted that no need had been identified in Great Bromley for social housing.	Land at Badley Hall Farm Badley Hall Road, Great Bromley CO7 7HU

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21/00719/FUL	<p>Proposed extension to existing B8 warehouse to provide additional warehouse space, new marshalling pod with associated loading bay, service yard, access roadway, fire access track, sprinkler tanks and peripheral soft landscaping.</p> <p>Although not directly in the parish of Great Bromley, residents could see the site from the village. Great Bromley Parish Council was concerned at the proposed height and size of the development, and potential light pollution.</p>	<p>Penguin Random House UK, The Book Service Distribution Centre Colchester Road, Frating, Colchester CO7 7DW</p>
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8. Appeal Decision - 19/00875/OUT - Field House, Parsons Hill, Great Bromley

Members were advised that the appeal had been dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate.

9. Longfield Solar Farm Statutory Consultation

Members considered proposals for Longfield Solar Farm, a solar energy farm co-located with battery storage, on farmland north east of Chelmsford and north of the A12 between Boreham and Hatfield Peverel. Great Bromley Parish Council felt the proposal was too close to residents in Boreham and too big.

10. Corbeau Seats Rally 2022 Consultation

Members were advised that the Chelmsford Motor Club had applied to Motorsport UK for an Event Organising Permit to organise and promote a Stage Rally on roads closed for the purpose under the powers provided for in the Road Traffic Act 1988 Section 12(1A) as amended by Section 73 of the Deregulation Act 2015.

Members considered a response to the consultation and it was agreed that the previous response would be re-submitted. It was further agreed that Motorsport UK and CMC be requested to respond to previous safety concerns raised by a resident, copying in Sir Bernard Jenkin MP and TDC's Chief Executive Ian Davidson.

11. Reports

a) County Councillor's Report had been circulated, including road closures scheduled for the end of June on Hall Road for investigative drainage works. The 30pmh schemes for Harwich Road were with the Local Highways Panel and at the validation stage.

b) District Councillors' Reports – to be circulated.

c) Parish Councillors' Reports

Cllr Blowers reported that the Maintenance team had cleared the footpath at Cock Lane, and were cutting the Church Meadow hedge tomorrow, and the flower tubs being watered. Public Liability Insurance now require Men at Work signs (agreed). A new strimmer was also agreed. The Gateposts at the closed churchyard needed replacing and it was agreed to obtain a quote for these.

Cllr Smith reported that a Speedwatch session had been held on Harwich Road, with eight people reported speeding up to 55mph. A resident's hedge was encroaching on to a road and required cutting back.

Cllr Hardy reported that Footpath 8 was overgrown. The connecting path between Harwich Road and Chapel Lane was also overgrown. The Maintenance team would cut this back. The hedge at Hare Green had been cut.

Cllr Fairley had received a report of asbestos being stored in a property and then disposed of unlawfully. Details to be sent to the Clerk to report to the Environment Agency.

d) Clerk's Report and Correspondence received – None.

12. Accounts

The Accounts Monitoring Officer confirmed the accounts were in order.

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13. Proposal to change website provider

The clerk outlined a website package which ensured the website would not fail accessibility guidelines, and with improved customer service. Members agreed to the proposal.

14. Annual Play Inspection Report – Hare Green

Members noted the findings of the recent inspection of Hare Green, which were all low priority, and the Maintenance Team would cover those that were in need of attention.

15. Hare Green Improvement proposals

Members considered further improvements to Hare Green recreation area with S106 monies, such as picnic tables and car parking. Cllr Fairley undertook to forward suggested designs for parking. Cllr Nicholls would liaise further with Ian Taylor, TDC's Head of Public Realm.

16. Independent survey of parish trees

Members considered and agreed to the appointment of an arboricultural consultant to survey trees which the parish council is responsible for.

17. Parish Summer event

Members consider options for an outdoor event for residents in July. The Tendring Brass Band had been booked for Sunday 18th July at 2.30pm at Church Meadow and a sponsor for a marquee had been organised. It was agreed attendees should bring their own chairs/picnic blankets, food and drinks. It was suggested to publicise in The Messenger and on the Great Bromley Facebook page.

18. Highways update

Hall Road - schedule closure on 21st June for five days for drainage investigation.

19. To approve the following payments:

Clerk's salary	£574.55
HMRC	£143.60
Great Bromley Village Hall	£22.50
Lewis Mander – Village Maintenance	£260.78
Bill Kempster – Village Maintenance	£225.08
Clacton Business Services – audit fee	£240.00

The payments were approved.

20. Climate Change and Carbon Footprint

Members considered the effect of any decisions on our Carbon Footprint and Climate Change in general. The Corbeau Rally would have an obvious affect on these.

21. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 14th July 2021 at 7.30pm

22. Items for next meeting and any other business

None.

The meeting closed at 9.19pm.