



# Great Bromley Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 7:30PM ON WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022 AT GREAT BROMLEY VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Cllrs Nicholls (Chairman), Blowers, Fairley, Hardy, Lord (except items 1-4 and item 16), Mander and Smith

**Also present:** 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 by ECC Cllr Guglielmi, Cllr Robinson and Cllr Heaney.

### 2. **Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and 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.

Cllr Mander declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 13 insofar as her spouse was member of the maintenance team.

### 4. **Public Participation**

Ruth and Sarah Lawson were in attendance and spoke in relation to agenda item 16.

### 5. **Rural Affordable Housing for Local People**

Laura Atkinson, Rural Housing Enabler & Community Led Housing Advisor from the Rural Community Council of Essex, attended the meeting to advise on how to identify whether there was a local need for affordable housing in rural parishes and if there was a need, what options were available.

Laura explained that it was possible to create a rural exception site scheme within a local plan which would be bespoke for the local community, for parishes with under 3000 residents. The plan would be to identify the need over the next five years and then define what that need was, with a view to securing affordable housing with for applicants with strong local connection, either residing or working within the parish. A survey would be sent to all households in paper form, with an online option available. The responses would be analysed by the RCCE and a report sent to the Parish Council and the District Council.

It was agreed that Laura would forward examples of schemes across Essex and a quote for the survey to be undertaken. Laura also undertook to speak to Tim R Clarke, TDC's Assistant Director for Housing, to discuss obtaining a local connection criteria on the Hamilton Lodge site.

An item would be added to the next agenda to consider the cost of the survey.

### 6. **Planning Determinations – for information only**

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	DECISION
<a href="#">22/01338/FUL</a> Mr and Mrs Knowles	Proposed replacement dwelling and cart lodge with annex above following demolition of bungalow and barn.	Serenity, Back Lane East, Great Bromley CO7 7UE	Approval - Full 28.10.2022

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			Delegated Decision
<a href="#">22/01476/FULHH</a> Mr and Mrs Fisher	Proposed conversion of the extant stables building at the property into an annex to be used in connection with the existing host building to provide accommodation and care support for the applicant's immediate family.	Walnut Tree Carringtons Road Great Bromley CO7 7XA	Approval - Full 26.10.2022 Delegated Decision

The planning determinations were noted.

## 7. Request for additional comments for Planning Application 22/01010/FUL Land at Badley Hall Farm Robinson Close Great Bromley CO7 7HU

The case officer for the planning application had requested additional comments in respect of affordable housing. Members agreed that the response should explain that the Council was considering commissioning a housing needs survey for local demand. Cllr Nicholls undertook to contact TDC Cllr Bray (Portfolio Holder for Planning) and TDC Cllr P Honeywood (Portfolio Holder for Housing) to discuss the issue in greater detail. It was also agreed that Cllr Scott would call the application in to TDC's Planning Committee at the relevant time.

## 8. Planning Applications

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION
<a href="#">22/01561/FULHH</a>	Proposed replacement detached garage/outbuilding. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Great Bromley House, Hall Road, Great Bromley
<a href="#">22/01597/FUL</a> Mr Brian Day	Proposed conversion of detached building to create ancillary annexe. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Blue Gates Farm, Carringtons Road, Great Bromley CO7 7UZ
<a href="#">22/01555/FUL</a> Mr T Frary	Proposed change of use from agricultural to B2 commercial including enclosing of open fronted elevation with the insertion of 4 rolled shutters doors and 4 personnel doors. Great Bromley Parish Council had no comment on the application.	Pond Farm, Hall Road, Great Bromley CO7 7TP
<a href="#">22/01322/FUL</a>	Proposed erection of an agricultural workers dwelling (dwelling for Unit 1). Great Bromley Parish Council had no comment on the application.	Land at Bush Farm Hall Road Great Bromley
<a href="#">22/01323/FUL</a>	Proposed erection of an agricultural workers dwelling (dwelling for Unit 2). Great Bromley Parish Council had no comment on the application.	Land at Bush Farm Hall Road Great Bromley
<a href="#">22/01775/AGRI C</a>	Prior Approval Application under Part 6, Class A/B/E of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development)(England) Order 2015 (As Amended) for the erection of a further agricultural storage building. Great Bromley Parish Council questioned if this would be used for only agricultural purposes or other purposes.	Holly Lodge Colchester Road Great Bromley

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<a href="#">22/01566/FUL HH</a>	Proposed demolition of existing attached double garage, conservatory and leanto. Single and two storey rear and side extensions to provide additional living space, single garage and one bedroom annexe. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Bromley House Harwich Road Great Bromley Colchester
<a href="#">22/01779/NMA</a>	Non-Material Amendment to application reference 17/01252/FUL for internal alteration/replan of layout, minor changes to locations of external windows and doors. Changes to new side extension. <b>for information only</b>	Lilleys Farm Carringtons Road Great Bromley

## 9. **Appeal Decision for information 21/00445/FUL - Land On The West Side of St Georges Close, Great Bromley CO7 7HZ**

The appeal was dismissed on 24 October 2022. Members noted the information.

## 10. **Reports**

- a) County Councillor's Report – to be circulated
- b) District Councillors' Reports – previously circulated.
- c) Parish Councillors' Reports
- Cllr Mander had reported a fallen tree on Footpath 1 and had attended the North Falls consultation meeting. Cllr Fairley asked if the Parish Council would write to Sir Bernard Jenkin MP to ask about the progress made on potential cabling in seabed. The Clerk undertook this action.
- Cllr Smith had attended a Speedwatch session on Harwich Road. There had been no further update on Harwich Road Local Highways Panel scheme. Cllr Smith would be attending the EALC 20s Plenty webinar.
- Cllr Blowers reported that the flood barrier missing. A white line refresh was needed on the Courthouse side of the crossroads on Harwich Road. The Clerk undertook to report to Essex Highways and contact the liaison officer.
- Cllr Lord had reported fly tipping on Stone Road.
- Cllr Nicholls raised the King's Coronation in May 2023 and asked members to consider potential celebrations. It was agreed to defer this item until January 2023. Members discussed an idea of a Community Noticeboard at the local shop. The Clerk undertook to establish if planning permission would be required.
- d) Clerk's Report and Correspondence received – Under relevant agenda items.

## 11. **Action Sheet review and update**

The actions from the last meeting were reviewed and noted.

## 12. **Accounts**

The Accounts Monitoring Officer confirmed the accounts were in order.

## 13. **Salary increases – Clerk and Maintenance Team**

Members approved the NALC 2022-23 National Salary Award for the Clerk and Maintenance Team. The salary review of roles was not undertaken at this time.

## 14. **Highways update**

The Clerk undertook to request an update on the Harwich Road scheme from Cllr Guglielmi.

## 15. **Tree survey**

Members considered the findings of the recent survey of trees within the parish and agreed to carry out the low-level maintenance suggested by the tree surgeon.

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**16. Church Meadow car parking**

Members considered the allocation of two additional disabled parking places to assist with disabled children attending St George's School. It was agreed that two spaces near the front hedge would be allocated, preferably with resurfacing and signage. Cllr Nicholls undertook to speak to Ian Taylor at TDC for advice.

**17. Hare Green play area update**

Cllr Lord and Cllr Hardy updated the Parish Council on the scheme progress. Formal instructions have been submitted, and a site visit had been arranged.

**18. Flower tub planting**

Members considered the winter planting for the village flower tubs. Cllr Mander undertook to discuss the requirements with the supplier.

**19. S137 applications**

Members considered the applications received from local organisations for S137 grant funding and awarded the following grants:

Local group/Organisation	Amount awarded
The Messenger Magazine	£1200
St George's C of E Primary PTA	£2000
Great Bromley Women's Institute	£300
Leonard Cheshire Seven Rivers	£500
Friendship Club	£250
Parochial Church Council of The Bromleys	£1575
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5825</b>

**20. The following payments were approved:**

Clerk's salary	£584.15
HMRC	£143.60
Great Bromley Village Hall	£25.00
Lewis Mander – Village Maintenance	£263.16
Bill Kempster – Village Maintenance	£121.32
James Choat – Parish Tree Survey	£575.00
Bland Landscapes – grass and hedge cut	£637.97

**21. Climate Change and Carbon Footprint**

Members considered the effect of any decisions on our Carbon Footprint and Climate Change in general.

**22. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7:30pm**

**23. Items for next meeting and any other business**