



Great Bromley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2021 AT 7.30PM AT GREAT BROMLEY VILLAGE HALL

In attendance: Cllr Nicholls (Chairman), Cllr Blowers, Cllr Fairley, Cllr Hardy, Cllr Mander and Cllr Smith.

Also in attendance: TDC Cllrs Scott and Lizzie Ridout (Clerk).

Members of the public: 12

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been submitted from Cllr Heaney, Cllr Lord, Cllr Robinson, TDC Cllr Wiggins and ECC Cllr Guglielmi.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8th September 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. Public Participation

A resident attended to update Members on the proposals for the land adjacent to Cliphedge Farm in Little Bentley. Whilst not in Great Bromley, it was near to the boundary. It was agreed to re-submit the previous objections, noting that the size of the proposal had increased significantly since the last application.

Mr Perry, Treasurer of The Messenger advised Members that he would be submitting a S137 grant application for consideration at the November council meeting.

5. Planning Determinations – for information only

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	DECISION
21/00915/FUL Mr Brian Giles	Proposed removal of old shed and replaced with new office shed	5 Lakewood, Hall Road, Great Bromley CO7 7TS	Approval - Full 01.09.2021 Delegated Decision
21/01308/LUP ROP Nine Points Property Ltd	Proposed lawful use for the use of Ashfern House as a residential care home (Class C2).	Ashfern House Harwich Road Great Bromley CO7 7UL	Lawful Use Certificate Granted 28.09.2021 Delegated Decision

The Planning Determinations were noted.

6. Planning Applications

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION
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21/01449/FUL HH	Proposed erection of single storey extension to side and rear including roof terrace (following demolition of existing conservatory) and alterations to existing fenestration. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection on the application.	Lanner Frating Road Great Bromley
21/01565/FUL HH	Proposed first floor extension providing bedroom and en-suite. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection on the application.	4 Ash Grove Great Bromley
21/01641/TPO Mr James Gray - James Gray Homes	1 No. Oak - Crown lift and clean and remove ivy. Great Bromley Parish Council questioned why the tree needed to be cleaned and ivy removed.	Orkney House Frating Road Great Bromley CO7 7JS
21/01636/NMA	Non-material amendment of reserved matters approval 20/00056/DETAIL (dated 27/04/2020) to change finish to pitched roofs of the bungalow and attached garage. To change from red clay pantiles, as approved, to natural slate. And to change the colour to proposed vertical boarding from Grey Green to Grey. FOR INFORMATION ONLY	Wisteria House Back Lane East Great Bromley

7. Land at St Georges Close

Residents attended to voice their concerns with the recently erected fence at the site. It was agreed that contact would be made with Tendring District Council (TDC) to clarify the open space designation. Cllr Nicholls advised that Essex County Council had already been notified about the fence and encroachment on ECC land. Cllr Nicholls was due to meet the TDC's Tree Officer to inspect the trees on the site and see if TPO's were in place or required. It was agreed that the Clerk would undertake a search of historical paperwork to identify any agreements regarding the land. Cllr Nicholls would further discuss the issue with ECC Cllr Guglielmi. Members were reminded that they had taken a decision at the July meeting to not proceed with an application for village green status following legal advice.

8. Licensing Application

Application Reference Number	21/00464/PREMGR	
Type of Application:	Premises Licence Grant	
Name of Applicant:	Swiss Farm Limited	
Premises:	Swiss Farm	
Address of Premises:	Shop at Swiss Farm, Hall Road, Great Bromley	
Type of Activity to be licensed:	Sale of Alcohol off the premises Monday to Wednesday 08:30 17:30 Sale of Alcohol off the premises Thursday 08:30 19:00 Sale of Alcohol off the premises Fridays & Saturdays 08:30 17:30 Sale of Alcohol off the premises Sunday 10:00 16:00	Opening Hours: Monday 08:30 – 17:30 Tuesday 08:30 – 17:30 Wednesday 08:30 – 17:30 Thursday 08:30 – 19:00 Friday 08:30 – 17:30 Saturday 08:30 – 17:30 Sunday 10:00 – 16:00

The licensing application was noted.

9. Pallet Plus

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This item was not required.

10. Reports

- a) County Councillor's Report - circulated
- b) District Councillors' Report
Cllr Scott updated on TDC meetings. A resident had been in contact regarding a flooding issue, and Cllr Scott had attended a RACE meeting regarding the ongoing issues concerning Pallet Plus.
- c) Parish Councillors' Reports

Cllr Smith reported that four Speedwatch sessions had been carried out. He had also ordered the sign for Church Meadow.

Cllr Hardy requested any update on the retail shop at Little Paddocks shop. No new developments were known at this stage.

Cllr Nicholls suggested that a sub-committee be formed to consider plans for the Queen's Jubilee. Cllr Nicholls advised that St George's Church would hold a thanksgiving service on 6th June 2022 on behalf of the Parish Council to celebrate the Jubilee.

Cllr Blowers reported that the Maintenance team continued to deliver on various issues around the village. Flower tubs would be ready for planting by next week.

- d) Clerk's Report and Correspondence received
 - Abandoned car on A120 chased.
 - Fly-tipping honeypot lane chased.
 - Signage organised by Cllr Smith.
 - Hedge cutting done at Hare Green.
 - Survey for Hare Green to be launched in November.

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. Highways update

Cllr Mander had reported an encroaching edge issue on Mill Lane.

14. Speeding

Cllr Nicholls reported that he had received a number of comments regarding ongoing speeding vehicles through the village. It was agreed to contact the Essex Police's Tending Commander to ask for action on this.

15. Hare Green play area update

Cllr Lord had sent an update on progress made:

- User requirements survey designed
- Digital survey developed and tested to work off GBPC website
- Survey launch comms formulated for St George's school newsletter and The Messenger.

16. Tree Survey report

Following the tree survey carried out in September a number of works had been identified, including a tree at Hare Green which required felling within 60 days. The rest of the works were required within 12 months, however it was felt these should be undertaken within the next six months, to avoid the nesting period next year. It was agreed to go ahead with the tree fell at Hare

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Green, subject to a check with TDC for any registered TPO. It was further agreed to obtain three quotes for the remaining works to be considered at the November meeting, and for the tree condition survey on the oak tree in Church Meadow to be carried out.

17. Remembrance Sunday

It was reported that Cllr Lord was liaising with Rev'd Carter for the annual Remembrance Sunday service on Sunday 14th November. The Clerk undertook to source a bugler for the occasion. A litter pick organised by Cllr Blowers would take place on Saturday 13th November.

18. Festive afternoon tea for vulnerable and older residents

Members considered the Festive Afternoon Tea for elderly and vulnerable residents of Great Bromley. Following the positive feedback from last year's inaugural event, it was agreed to go ahead with the event on Monday 20th December. Members undertook to help deliver the teas.

19. To approve the following payments:

Clerk's salary	£574.55
HMRC	£143.60
Postage (48x2nd class) – clerk reimbursement	£31.68
Great Bromley Village Hall	£22.50
Bill Kempster – Village Maintenance	£278.04
Lewis Mander – Village Maintenance	£444.54
Bland Landscapes (grass and hedge cutting)	£969.94
Clacton Business Services Ltd (payroll)	£45.00
PHK Littlejohn LLP (external audit)	£240.00
James Choat (tree survey)	£800.00
Total	£3,549.85

The payments were approved.

20. To note the following income:

TDC Precept (2 nd instalment)	£11,088.00
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The income was noted.

21. Climate Change and Carbon Footprint

Members considered the effect of any decisions on our Carbon Footprint and Climate Change in general. It was suggested that some trees in honour of the Queen's Jubilee could be planted within the village.

22. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 10th November 2021

23. Items for next meeting and any other business

- Queen's Jubilee sub-committee, including trees.
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The meeting closed at 9.21pm.