



# Great Bromley Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2020 VIA SKYPE

**In attendance:** Cllrs Nicholls (Chairman), Blowers, Heaney, Lord, Mander and Robinson.

**Also in attendance:** Lizzie Ridout (Parish Clerk).

**Members of the Public: 2**

**1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Cllr Fairley and Cllr Hardy.

**2. Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020, previously circulated were approved as a correct record, and would be signed at the next available physical meeting.

**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**

An email from Richard Perry concerning Hamilton Lodge had been received and circulated to all members and was noted.

**5. Planning Determination – for information only**

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	DECISION
20/00552/FUL Mr & Mrs Craven	Replacement of an agricultural building with a 3 bed bungalow in lieu of Prior Approval for a dwelling, subject of application 19/01372/COUNOT.	Willow Farm, Hilliards Road, Great Bromley CO7 7US	Approval - Full 10.07.2020 Delegated Decision

The planning determination was noted.

**6. Planning Applications**

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION
20/00792/FUL Mr Paul Willey	Proposed single storey rear extension, garage roof conversion including new front elevation dormer window as well as additional internal alterations and repairs.  Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Chatsworth, Frating Road Great Bromley CO7 7JW
20/00854/FUL Mr B Day	Proposed conversion of vacant barn into a four bedroomed dwelling with associated garaging and landscaping works.  Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Blue Gates Farm, Carringtons Road, Great Bromley CO7 7UZ
20/00859/FUL	Proposed 3no. dwellings (replacements: Plots 1, 2 and 7), internal road and turning head; shop with visitor car parking and new access from Harwich Road; associated landscaping and structures.  Great Bromley Parish Council raised serious concerns about the access on Harwich Road. The junction has experienced numerous accidents in this well-known local blackspot.	Little Paddocks, Frating Road, Great Bromley CO7 7JL

# Great Bromley Parish Council

## 7. Reports

- a) County Councillor's Report – previously circulated.
- b) District Councillors' Reports

Cllr Wiggins reported she and Cllr Scott had attended various virtual meetings at TDC and discussed its Back to Business plans as a result of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. The Cabinet had approved Alresford's Neighbourhood Plan. Group Leaders had met to discuss Local Government Reform and councillors had been surveyed to establish their thoughts on whether physical meetings should resume. Cllr Wiggin and Cllr Scott were in favour of this. Ian Davidson (CEO) had regularly updated all members. In Great Bromley recycling boxes had been issued and new residents visited. The Give Way sign at The Cross had been reported, and a resident had approached with a planning matter.

- c) Parish Councillors' Reports

**Cllr Heaney** asked for a large rose bush on Chase Road East/Mary Lane North to be pruned back as it was scratching cars.

**Cllr Blowers** advised that the autumn litter pick would be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November. The defibrillator at The Cross had been utilized and saved the life of a local resident.

Replacement pads for the defibrillator had been purchased. Cllr Blowers undertook to check the defibrillator and pads at The Courthouse.

Cllr Blowers undertook to research into the pay award for the Maintenance Team as it was due to be reviewed. The push-mower needed replacing and members agreed a budget of £600.

**Cllr Nicholls** reported that several residents had contacted him about the barn at Little Paddock development. The barn was not listed and had been removed.

Residents had complained about silos at Brook Farm being the site of alleged drug taking. This had been reported to Essex Police, and the silos had been reported TDC's Enforcement Officer.

Cllr Nicholls advised he had met with representatives from Hamilton Lodge and TDC's Housing Portfolio Holder, Cllr Paul Honeywood. It had been agreed the number of houses would be reduced but it was not yet known by how many but would include a reduction in affordable housing.

Cllr Nicholls and Cllr Lord had attended the War Memorial to lay a wreath for VJ Day, and had contributed to TDC's online memorial service for the occasion.

- d) Clerk's Report and Correspondence received

- Requests received re Hare Green playing field:
  - to play Sunday morning football games;
  - for private party and bouncy castle siting; and
  - more play equipment and seating.

It was suggested to establish if there was any S106 monies which could be utilized for equipment and seating, and the Clerk undertook to check arrangements with insurers before members making a decision on the requests for football and the private party.

## 8. Action Sheet review and update

The actions from the last meeting were reviewed and noted.

## 9. Accounts

The Accounts Monitoring Officer confirmed the accounts were in order.

## 10. Highways update

Members were invited to forward any pothole issues to the Clerk who would in turn forward to the County Member, following ECC's announcement to assign teams for a two-week period to County Councillors.

## 11. Tendring Dementia Action Alliance

Members were invited to contact the Clerk if they would like to be involved.

## 12. Hare Green Playing Field update

# Great Bromley Parish Council

Members received an update following a site visit undertaken by Cllrs Nicholls, Blowers and Hardy, the Council's Tree Warden Mr M Frostick, and the Maintenance Team regarding the trees and hedges surrounding the Hare Green playing field.

A maintenance plan had been formulated and it was agreed that the Clerk would establish the boundary ownerships before writing to affected residents.

**13. County Broadband update**

Members received an update following a site visit raised issues with representatives regarding the standard of workmanship when installing poles. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Clive Dawson at TDC requesting the details of the tree surgeons that County Broadband are employing.

**14. Corbeau Seats Rally Tendring & Clacton 2021 - 24 & 25 April 2021**

The consultation documents from the Chelmsford Motor Club had been circulated to Members. Mr Smith (member of the public) advised Members that he had not received a response to his concerns raised with Mike Carran at TDC. Cllr Scott undertook to ask TDC why Mr Smith's concerns have not been responded to. It was agreed to have a arrange a meeting with Mike Carran and representatives of TDC's Safety Advisory Group before agreeing a response to the consultation.

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

Clerk's salary	£539.95
HMRC	£135.00
Great Bromley Village Hall	£22.50
Clacton Business Services – payroll (from March 20)	£36.00
Clerk's expenses (printer toner)	£14.16
Clerk's expenses (replacement defibrillator pads)	£90.76
Lewis Mander (village maintenance)	£408.98
Bill Kempster (village maintenance)	£318.50

**16. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7.30pm**

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

There was none. The meeting closed at 9.13pm.