



# Great Bromley Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD REMOTELY VIA MS TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021 AT 7.30PM

**Present:** Cllrs Nicholls (Chairman), Blowers, Hardy, Heaney, Lord, Mander and Robinson.

**Also present:** TDC Cllrs Scott and Wiggins, and Lizzie Ridout (Parish Clerk)

**Members of the Public:** None

### 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were submitted from Cllr Fairley, and ECC Cllr Guglielmi.

### 2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021, previously circulated were approved and would be signed at the next available opportunity.

### 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

There was none.

### 5. Planning Applications

| REFERENCE                                    | PROPOSAL  | LOCATION   |
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| 21/00186/FUL<br>Mr Gray Rowe<br>– PalletPlus | <p>Erection of warehouse extension, loading bay extension, HGV wash, service yard extension and ancillary works</p> <p>Great Bromley Parish Council objected to the application for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Impact on local residents in terms of noise, particularly outside of permitted hours and overnight disturbing sleep.</li><li>- Light pollution and impact on local residents.</li><li>- Increased HGV usage on a B road in a residential area.</li><li>- Change of use of land not in the application</li><li>- Permitted hours not being adhered to in accordance with previous conditions.</li><li>- Flooding issues along Frating Road.</li></ul> <p>It was agreed that Cllr Scott would call-in the application to TDC's Planning Committee.</p> | Crossways Centre<br>Frating Road<br>Great Bromley<br>CO7 7JW |
| 21/00214/FUL<br>Mr and Mrs<br>Hearn          | <p>Erection of single storey rear extension (sun room) and cart lodge/store (following demolition of existing conservatory and garage</p> <p>Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.</p>  | Sparlings Hall<br>Hilliards Road<br>Great Bromley<br>CO7 7UT |

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| 21/00238/FUL<br>Inova - Inova<br>(UK) Limited | Provision of revised vehicular access (following ceasing of two existing accesses)<br><br>Great Bromley Parish Council was neutral towards the application. | Newhouse Farm<br>Hall Road<br>Great Bromley<br>CO7 7TP |
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## 6. Licensing Application – comments required by 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021

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| Application Reference Number     | 21/00068/PREMGR  |
| Type of Application:             | Premises Licence Grant                                   |
| Name of Applicant:               | Mr Vijay Ponnusamy                                       |
| Premises:                        | Little Paddocks  |
| Address of Premises:             | Little Paddocks, Frating Road, Great Bromley             |
| Type of Activity to be licensed: | Sale of Alcohol off the premises - Every Day 06:00 00:00 |
| Opening Hours:                   | Everyday 06:00 - 00:00                                   |

Great Bromley Parish Council was keen to encourage new business but suggested the hours be modified to 7am-10pm, as the shop is close to local residents' properties. Longer licensed hours may also adversely affect the local public house opposite.

## 7. Reports

- a) County Councillor's Report – circulated prior to the meeting.
- b) District Councillors' Reports - circulated prior to the meeting.
- c) Parish Councillors' Reports

Cllr Mander reported general litter and ongoing flytipping issue. It was agreed to place a further item in the Messenger, and to arrange a litter bin to be installed in the layby on Parsons Hill.

Cllr Robinson reported a large number of vehicles parking on Harwich Road outside the Little Paddocks development which was obscuring drivers' views when exiting Frating Road.

Cllr Blowers raised some maintenance issues along the pathway near St George's Close. Rubble has been left alongside the land that the PC had been maintaining. Ownership of that land was currently being established.

Cllr Nicholls reported that flower tub sponsorship was starting to come in.

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

## 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.
- Members agreed the appointment of an internal auditor.
- Members approved a budget of £600 for a replacement laptop and delegated authority to the Clerk for the purchase. It was agreed to reimburse the Clerk upon the purchase.

## 10. Highways update

Essex Highways had cleared all drains in the village that required work, and engineers were due to return for further remedial work along Hall Road.

## 11. Potential hedge planting scheme

Members further discussed the potential idea of planting a hedge along Park Road. Ownership of the land had not yet been established. No decision was reached.

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## 12. Parish Council property

Members considered the use of an agreement to safeguard the usage of Council-owned property when being loaned to residents. It was agreed to write to those residents currently borrowing hydro snakes reminding them that the equipment remained the property of the Parish Council. It was further agreed to purchase an additional nine hydro snakes, and for residents to sign an agreement before utilising.

## 13. Broadband update

Members were provided with an update on the installation on County Broadband. The Clerk reported that Neil Skinner was standing down as the Parish Council Broadband representative now that the service had been installed. Members requested a letter of thanks to be sent to Mr Skinner for his hard work and devotion over many years prior to the installation of Broadband in the village.

## 14. Climate Change and Carbon Footprint

Members considered and approved a request from Tendring District Council's Portfolio Holder for Environment and Public Space asking for an agenda item at each Council meeting to consider the effect of any decisions on our Carbon Footprint and Climate Change in general.

## 15. Essex Police – Community Engagement

Following a discussion with Inspector Martin Richards from Tendring Community Policing, Cllr Nicholls outlined the latest approach and plans of community policing ahead of a visit from Insp. Richards in May. PSCO Paul Beer would also be attending some Parish Council meetings.

## 16. The following payments were approved:

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| Clerk's salary                              | £574.55 |
| HMRC  | £143.60 |
| Great Bromley Village Hall                  | £22.50  |
| Clerk's expenses – litter picking equipment | £228.20 |
| Lewis Mander – Village Maintenance          | £132.40 |
| Bill Kempster – Village Maintenance         | £132.40 |
| GB Tractors - Snapper NX90 push mower       | £544.15 |

## 17. The following receipt was noted:

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| Tendring District Council – recycling credits | £1719.59 |
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## 18. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm via MS Teams.

## 19. Items for next meeting and any other business

Members requested a letter be sent to Paul Price, Deputy Chief Executive and Corporate Director at Tendring District Council, thanking him for his assistance over the years and wishing him best for the future, upon his impending retirement.