

# LITTLE BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## PARISH COUNCIL

### GENERAL MEETING - MINUTES

To be held in the Village Hall on **Wednesday 06 September 2017 at 7.00pm**

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#### 09.17.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Phil Suarez

Cllr Alan Coley - Question raised of Cllr Guglielmi in absence of Cllr Coley - any replacement forthcoming? Confirmed that workload will be shared between the two.

#### 09.17.02 PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM - signed and dated as true representation of events

#### 09.17.03 PLANNING

#### APPLICATIONS/NOTICES REC'D AND DECISIONS MADE

##### i. APPLICATIONS

New A120 Europark detailed plans received for permission sought, although this was not made clear during the course of the meeting and council was under the impression the application was an extension of a previous outline application. regardless, Cllr. Suarez & Cllr King was not present so further discussion at a later date to be confirmed. Cllr Dyson was unable to comment as he declared connections with the owner of the site. Following this discussion it was agreed that a representation on behalf of the council could be made.

##### ii. PLANNING APPLICATION - LAND ADJACENT TO CLIPHEDGE FARM

Landowners have now requested meeting with representatives of the Parish Council and local residents. Concerns over access have been addressed, residents reminded that planning can only be approved on the basis of - suggestion that conditions could be placed on application to limit certain.

Cllr Guglielmi confirmed that regeneration team at TDC are supporting the plans. Cllr. Guglielmi gave history of site, Tendring Garden Village/Oasis application was rejected and discounted. Oasis not in plan now and alternative investment in regeneration sought now.

Cllr Guglielmi reports that from 2020 councils relying on business rates to fund services as government funding cuts take effect.

Residents concerned that regardless of meeting the application outcome will be the same.

Concerns raised that this will set a precedent for future applications.

Cllr. Guglielmi to set up meeting with owners. Cllr. Guglielmi to advise of time and date and Clerk to advise attendees.

## DETERMINATIONS

Advised and as published on Tendring District Council Website.

### Determinations

<i>17/00727/FUL Approval - Full 28.07.2017 Delegated Decision</i>	<i>H D Cobbald &amp; Sons</i>	<i>Variation of condition 14 of 15/01020/FUL, to increase the overall height of building 1 by 659mm.</i>	<i>Hall Farm Church Road Little Bentley Colchester Essex CO7 8SD</i>
<i>17/00685/FUL Approval - Full 13.07.2017 Delegated Decision</i>	<i>Mr E Walsh</i>	<i>Proposed B1 business units.</i>	<i>Manor Workshops Church Road Little Bentley Colchester Essex CO7 8SE</i>

#### 09.17.04 FLYTIPPING & LITTER PICK

Email from Ravens Green resident - flytipping. Check to see if this has been reported and reports if not.

16 September. Collect equipment - 12 litter pickers. Clerk to organise pickers and bags. NGD to hold and return equipment and Chairman to contact Liz to confirm event.

#### 09.17.05 HIGHWAYS & BYWAYS

- i. A120 UPDATE - Plans presented. Brought to meeting. Work starts this month and completes latest June next year but targeted for May. Surveying and clearance work has started and email updates from Nigel about road closures and updates etc. Tendring PC to be advised of difficulties.
- ii. SIGNAGE FOR CHURCH ROAD @ "BROOK BRIDGE" (LTEN142079). Budgeted for 2018 - has been chased and pushed for. Residents complaint that this is taking too long and concerns of accidents.
- iii. APPLICATIONS TO CHANGE VILLAGE SPEED LIMIT BOUNDARIES (LTEN 172003) - speed strips are in place and awaiting survey
- iv. RECTORY ROAD APPLICATION - await confirmation.
- v. TENDRING ROAD VERGES / BUSES - written to Stephenson
- vi. SIGNAGE REPORTING - none

#### 09.17.06 FIREWORKS -

These have been ordered and paid for. Date confirmed as 4th November 2017. Guy competition ad for next magazine. Prizes to come from Highways and Apple Green Garage. NGD to approach both of these for contributions. Email to be sent to remind local residents of event.

#### 09.17.07 RAVENS GREEN

- i. QUIET LANE APPLICATION REVIEW & FEEDBACK - presented and feedback received as favourable. No additions suggested - additions from residents emailed to clerk by 15th Sept will be included in application. Clerk to

seek support from TDC councillor and ECC councillor for the scheme. Residents discussed the pros and cons of certain restrictions and speed bumps. Clerk reminded those present that a survey would be conducted as part of the application and therefore strategies may be suggested although input was always welcome.

- ii. **CRABTREE COTTAGE** - Correspondence received from Ann Elvin. Vehicles continue to be a problem. Bonfires continue. Clerk to forward complaint to council and seek enforcement.

**09.17.08 VILLAGE INVESTMENT FROM FUNDS - IDEAS** - None at this time.

**09.17.09 DEFIBRILATOR & TRAINING** - CPR training was reasonably well attended although more were expected. Thanks were given to Manningtree First Responders. A suggested donation of £100.00 was thought to be appropriate for the evening, this will be forwarded to the group with thanks and a request to repeat the session in the spring for the benefit of those unable to attend the summer session.

**09.17.10 WEBSITE** - Clerk to complete for the New Year

**09.17.11 COUNCILLORS/CLERK - ACTIONS TAKEN or MEETINGS ATTENDED**

None

**09.17.12 FINANCIAL UPDATE – PAYMENTS IN/OUT & BALANCES, EXTERNAL AUDIT, VAT RECLAIM** - External Audit complete - Clerk advised of availability of accounts for public viewing. Balances reported as Business Account £1699.01 and Community Account - 1,010.83. Clerk to contact Ian to arrange VAT reclaim and send external audit

**09.17.13 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT/COUNTY**

County -

A level results and GCSE results in line with national average. Changes to grading noted and further information contained in full report available online at [www.littlebentley.net](http://www.littlebentley.net)

Campaign to tackle flytipping - last October launched - costs 1 million every year. Raising awareness that this is illegal. People to check if license valid with operator and if they have license. Residents also responsible to ensure license obtained by disposal teams. Conference planned for autumn. Travellers are an issue with the council and primary perpetrators and why are they not prosecuted, as there seems to be another law for them and one for permanent residents. If on public land - action to remove them very quick but no action on prosecution for littering. No fixed abode given by Cllr. Guigliemli as reasoning for the lack of action. Answers requested by council and these are promised as forthcoming.

Rosebank Park opened for elderly of Tendring. Independent living homes with facilities. Provides good value accommodation with excellent facilities - further plans for similar facilities in the District.

District report to follow

**09.17.14 CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**09.17.15 PUBLIC FORUM :**

Members of the public are invited to address the Council max 3 minutes.

Concerns voiced over Cllr Guglielmi and the apparently split role (as regeneration and finance on one hand and the representative at county for the District and therefore acting in the best interest of the parish and its residents) in connection with the application for the Cliphedge. If Cllr Guglielmi is supporting these proposals then Cllr Dyson advises that another councillor locally would be sought to represent the PC and local residents as being without prejudice in this matter.

30mph speed limit requested along Ravens Green Road. Residents reassured that a 20 mph limit has been requested as a temporary measure as part of the quiet lanes application scheme and reasoning that an interim and separate application for a second scheme may complicate matters. Residents also reminded that a speed limit along the road would form part of the quiet lanes proposals for implementation if approved.

Query raised about the new Roundabout and impact on Rectory Road and Tendring Road. This subject was brought up at Roadshow. The generation of more agricultural and industrial traffic on A120 and impact on bus routes will be discussed as part of it too. Issues with access onto A120 from Little Bentley, Pelhams Corner Junction - will be left turn only - concerns that this will encourage rat runs with local traffic using these to avoid long diversions to reach neighbouring villages and towns - NGD to voice concerns of residents to ECC Highways Panel and request representation to ensure least impact on business and residents.

**09.17.16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Apologies for delay in arriving by Cllr. King who joined the meeting at 20:00

**09.17.17 NEXT MEETING & CLOSE**

1st November 2017 7pm

Meeting closed at 20:30