



RAYNE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RAYNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 3RD OCTOBER at 7.30pm IN THE OLD SCHOOL ROOMS, SHALFORD ROAD, RAYNE

Present: Cllr K Davies Cllr M Eldred (V Chair)
Cllr A Hooks (Chair) Cllr K Spencer
Cllr Stringer Cllr T Rippingale
Cllr P Willis

Councillors: District Councillor P Euesden
Clerk: Mrs A Brown
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AGENDA NO.	BUSINESS
22/084	APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Cllr Murton, Cllr Agutter, Cllr Wilsdon and County Councillor Graham Butland
Resolution	The apologies were accepted by the councillors at the meeting.
	There was held a minute silence in remembrance of the Queen.
22/085	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS There were no interests declared.
22/086	THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5th SEPTEMBER 2022 were agreed and signed as a correct record.
Resolution	Proposed: Cllr Eldred, Seconded: Cllr Spencer, all agreed
22/087	PUBLIC FORUM The member of the public was in attendance to be co-opted onto the council and did not want to speak
22/087.1	District & County Councillor Reports Best wishes were sent to CC Graham Butland who had undergone an operation recently. District Councillor P Euesden reported that there were new members on the LHP bringing their experience to the meeting. At the meeting Cllr Euesden brought up the subject of the ongoing dispute over the overgrown hedge on Fentons Bridge and was advised that the highways rangers could be deployed to cut it back. DigiGo areas of operating have been extended.

A120 works means disruption to drivers after 8pm in the evening from now until February which could impact upon the village with an increase of traffic. The owners of the Booking Hall Café have extended the business and will also be catering at the Plaza which is part of Horizon 120 in Braintree. Cllr Euesden was pleased that local people had been awarded the contract. The trial of TruCam in the Maldon District is reported as going well and Braintree are looking forward to using it.

22/087.2

Chair's Report

The War Memorial will need to be cleaned for Remembrance Sunday, so volunteers are needed. The Royal British Legion need to be contacted for a wreath.

Operation London Bridge all went smoothly, thanks go to the previous Clerk and the church for putting the policies in place to be followed.

22/088

ROADS, TRANSPORT & PUBLIC SAFETY

Some members were not convinced that the flooding issue at the Perkins end of the village had been resolved. The clerk was asked to make enquiries.

22/089

ADMINISTRATION

22/089.1

Clerk's Report

There were no questions put to the Clerk concerning the report which had been circulated.

Correspondence was brought to the attention of the members. The Council needed to find a venue for the meeting on January 3rd, the school would be approached.

22/089.2

Committee Meetings

A finance meeting will be called on 10th October and a Communications & Data and Personnel committee meeting will be called on 17th October. This was agreed by members.

22/090

Co-Option

The members were very pleased to co-opt Janette Rickwood as a councillor.

Resolved

Proposed: Cllr Hooks, Seconded: Cllr Eldred, all agreed.

22/091

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

22/091.1

Nature Reserve

The Clerk had chased up the tree surgeons for quotes for the work on the Oak tree but only one had been received so far.

The members were not convinced by the proposal offered by the Village Hall Committee to reduce the rabbit population. As there is no budget in place for the proposal it was not supported by the council.

Resolution

Proposed: Cllr Eldred, Seconded: Cllr Stringer, all agreed.

The littering at the Nature Reserve is not a problem, it was reported that there are a lot of thistles.

22/091.2

Grounds Work

A new dog bin is required at the entrance to the park which has been reported to BDC.

Cllr Ripplingale is monitoring the amount of fuel being used and thinks that the bill won't be as high as previously budgeted.

22/091.3

Village Hall

It was agreed to give permission to the village hall to erect solar panels on the roof.

Resolution

Proposed: Cllr Hooks, Seconded: Cllr Willis, all agreed

22/092

PLANNING

Erection of two-storey 3-bedroom dwelling house.

Planning Application

Mill House School Road Rayne Essex CM77 6SS

Ref. No: 22/02285/FUL - On planning grounds there was no reason to object.

Resolution

Proposed: Cllr Willis, Seconded: Cllr Eldred

First-floor side extension - 59 Shalford Road Rayne Essex CM77 6BY Ref.

No: 22/02067/HH - On planning grounds there was no reason to object.

Resolution

Proposed: Cllr Spencer, Seconded: Cllr Willis

22/00864/FUL Change of use from agricultural land to a residential park home site for the over 55s; involving the siting of 79 single-storey residential units, associated access, internal road layout, parking and landscaping. Land To The South Of Dunmow Road Rayne – Nothing to note which would change previous decisions.

Conversion of barns into 1 x 4 bedroom dwellinghouse, with single-storey extension and single-storey link extension - Fentons Farm Fentons Road Rayne Ref. No: 22/02470/FUL – Nothing to note which would change previous decisions.

22/092.1

Chelmsford City Council

Chelmsford Local Plan extended until 4pm Thursday 20th October.

Visit the website www.chelmsford.gov.uk/lp-exhibition

22/092.2

Planning Determined

Replacement of 6 windows to rear elevation - Highways Cottage 6 Shalford Road Rayne Essex CM77 6BT

Ref. No: 22/01654/LBC | Received date: Mon 20 Jun 2022 | Status:

Application Permitted

Single-storey side extension - 1 Granary Halt Rayne Essex CM77 6AB Ref.

No: 22/01734/HH | Received date: Wed 29 Jun 2022 | Status: Application Permitted

22/093		FINANCE	
22/093.1		October Payments and September Receipts	Resolution
To review and approve the following items of expenditure, retrospective payments and note payments by Standing Order and any Receipts:			
Invoice No.	Amount (£)	Payable to/Received from	Payment in respect of
	2,496.54	Salaries + pension	Clerk & Groundsmen
	6.07	Clerk's expenses	Mileage
September	99.50	Fuel Genie	Diesel
August	137.66	Ernest Doe	Consumables
TPJ/P1345	57.60	T P Jones & Co. LLP	Payroll preparation – quarterly charge
MEM240806	183.00	SLCC	Membership Fee
	18.00	Unity Trust Bank	Quarterly charges
	125.00	Old School Room	Hire of Hall – May - September
302	540.00	Monarb Ltd	Tree assessment and inspection
22/093.2		Payments Made by Direct Debit/Standing Order	
36513	41.10	A J Lighting	Maintenance

	49.20	CSD Network Services	IT services
7555	15.00	F A Jiggins	Rental of Unit
October	25.00	Old School Rooms	Hire for full council meetings
	270.00	CIP Office Rental	Quarterly Charge
Z2867808	35.00	Commissioner's Office	Registration Renewal
22/090.3	Receipts		
	25,149.00	Payment from BDC	2 nd half of Precept
	120.09	Clerk	Pension refund - October
22/093.4	Retrospective Payments		
22/093.5	Bank Reconciliation		
	To note bank reconciliation to end of September £ 45,756.46 There needs to be a bank transfer from reserves to current account for payment of pension. Resolution Proposed: Cllr Eldred, Seconded: Cllr Davies, all agreed.		

22/094 MEETINGS AND TRAINING

Cllr Stringer and Cllr Rickwood were advised that Councillor Training was available to them through the EALC

Cllr Edred reported on the EALC AGM and PFCC and ECC conference.

22/095 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Information

The next **Parish Council Meeting** will be held on **Monday 7th November 2022**. Please send items for the agenda to the Clerk by **Thursday 27th 2022**.

22/096 CLOSURE

There being no further business to transact the meeting closed at 20:50 hrs.

Signed By
Chair

Dated: 7th November 2022