Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, East Road, East Mersea at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th November 2013.

**Present:** Cllrs: David Jones, Jeff Mason, David Sunnucks, Ralph Lord, Borough Cllr Terry Sutton, Clerk: Sue Pullen, Police Officer and 3 members of the public.

94.13 Apologies for absence: Cllr Rob Sidgwick, County Cllr: Kevin Bentley

**95.13 To confirm the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 10**th **October 2013:** Cllr Jones proposed, Cllr Lord seconded and all agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

96.13 Declarations of Interest and to receive written requests for new DPI dispensations: None

**97.13 Public participation session:** Complaint of poor bus service to West Mersea which was suggested they report to West Mersea Town Council. A letter received on requested speed limits will be replied to.

**98.13 To receive report from Police:** There had been a few incidents and an accident, also it was mentioned that in many other villages outbuildings were being broken into and thefts occurring so lock up and alarm wherever possible.

**99.13 To receive reports from County and Borough Clirs:** Coopers Beach Park Resorts and other caravan sites to be discussed later in the meeting

**100.13 To receive reports from Parish Councillors and the Clerk:** No meetings were attended this month.

**101.13 Low Cost Housing:** This project is moving on behind the scenes all but rather slowly.

**102.13 Village Party:** Saturday 7th June 2014 is the agreed date to hold this party and at Fen Farm by kind permission of Cllr Ralph Lord

**103.13 Rural Broadband:** The ECC scheme is programmed for rural villages such as East Mersea to receive faster broadband at the latter half of 2016. Alternative routes are being explored.

**104.13 Coopers Beach Park Resorts:** It would seem that, owing to government policy on tourism and the legality of license or planning permissions, there is little point in trying to fight the 12 month opening but we are adamant that there must be an adequate inspection regime by CBC to safeguard against people living at these sites all year round. Certain documentation should be produced such as council tax bill, driving licence and utility bills all from a permanent address plus an up to date register of who owns the caravans and chalets. Further meetings will be taking place in the near future to discuss the requirements we feel are necessary and how these will be obtained.

## 105.13 Planning:

Applications to extend occupancy periods at Cosways and Seaview Parks have both been Approve Conditional.

The requirements of the enforcement notice relating to The Chicken Shed, Meeting Lane have now been complied with.

## **106.13 Schedule of payments to be made.**

14/11/13	171	Clerk's salary	321.63
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## **107.13 Correspondence circulated**

108.13 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda Rural Broadband update Coopers Beach matters update

Meeting closed at: 8.25pm