

Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, East Road, East Mersea at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th November 2019.

Present: Cllrs: Jeff Mason (chair), Margaret Lawford, David Sunnucks, Chris Glover, Emma Green, Borough Cllr John Jowers, County Cllr Kevin Bentley, Clerk: Sue Pullen, and 3 members of the public.

473.19 Apologies for absence: Borough Cllrs Robert Davidson, Pat Moore.

474.19 To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 10th October 2019: Cllr Lawford proposed and Cllr Sunnucks seconded and all agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

475.19 Declarations of Interest: Cllr David Sunnucks for planning application no. 192595

476.19 Public participation session: Colchester's Local List was mentioned, this champions the local historical environment and non-designated heritage assets in the borough. We will discuss this at our next meeting in January.

477.19 Zone Wardens report: None received and no issues to report.

478.19 County Cllr Report: The 30mph limit will be installed shortly. Gritters are ready for action and some roads have been strengthened in readiness for the winter weather.

479.19 Borough Cllr report: CBC Draft Local Plan is moving forward having been stalled by problems with Garden Villages. The new sewage plant at Coopers Beach is problematic and is being investigated by the Environment Agency. The seawall at Rewsalls is breaching but not worth defending and strategic realignment will take place. A particular weed killer may be banned which will be a nuisance to farmers and thought to be of very low risk for users and none to consumers.

480.19 Cudmore Grove/ Bromans Lane update: The new road alterations seem to have improved matters greatly and no complaints have been received recently. The park's manager, Richard Sharp is doing a brilliant job of addressing issues if and when they arise. Passing Bay signage has now been installed.

481. West Mersea Neighbourhood Plan: The first draft has gone before the inspectors. The new site for the doctors' surgery is in question.

482.19 ECC Passenger Transport on Service 63: The County Councillor will object on our behalf to the proposed cuts to some of this service.

483.19 December Meeting: Owing to the forthcoming general election the scheduled parish council meeting is cancelled unless an urgent matter crops up when it would be rescheduled. But the parish council is taking this opportunity to organise a Christmas Party which of course everyone will be invited to attend, flyers will be delivered when more details have been decided.

484.19 Defibrillator: The CPR and defib training session with First Responders was fairly well attended and those that did attend learnt some valuable lessons. Cllr Sunnucks proposed, Cllr Green seconded and all agree to donate £50 to the first responders for their brilliant efforts to help them to buy further training equipment.

485.19 Caravan Parks: A joint working group with WMTC will be formed in a bid to tackle residency matters at Coopers Beach with more force. A member of parliament will also be approached by a Borough Councillor for her assistance in this.

486.19 Planning Applications:

192595 Proposal: Erection of an agricultural storage building at Green Gates, Meeting

Signed _____ Thursday 9th January 2020

Lane, the Parish Council's return comments will make mention of disapproval of retrospective applications at this site.

192729 Proposal: Prior notification under Class Q of the GDPO for the change of use of one agricultural building to residential dwelling at Bromans Farm, Bromans Lane

Planning Decisions:

191255 Proposal: Install a Klargester BD sewage treatment plant to serve 6 dwellings, Nos 1 – 6 Dormy Houses, East Road - **Approve conditional**

487.19 Schedule of payments to be made:

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| 14/11/19 | 414 | M Farthing – grass cuts | 150.00 |
| 14/11/19 | 415 | Clerk's salary - Nov | 353.99 |
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| Total | | | £503.99 |

488.19 Matters to be raised on the next agenda:

Caravan Parks including working group with WMTC

Cudmore Grove/Bromans Lane

West Mersea Neighbourhood Plan

Colchester 's Local List