

**Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, East Road, East Mersea at 7.30pm on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2014.**

**Present:** Cllrs: David Jones, Rob Sidgwick, Jeff Mason, Ralph Lord, Clerk Sue Pullen, 1 Zone Warden, RCCE, Colne Housing and Land Management representatives and 7 members of the public.

**1.14 Apologies for absence:** Cllr David Sunnucks, Borough Cllr Terry Sutton, County Cllr Kevin Bentley

**2.14 To confirm the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2014:** Cllr Jones proposed, Cllr Sidgwick seconded and all agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

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

**4.14 Public participation session:** The new bus stop signs which have been installed along East Road were mentioned again for removal with suggestions for alternative uses for the posts. The two fallen signs (village and road names) and the missing 8 knots sign from the end of Coopers Beach ramp will be looked into for replacing.

**5.14 Zone Warden:** **6.14 To receive reports from Police and Zone Wardens:** None received from Police. Zone Warden kindly offered to reinstate the road signs. They continue to keep an eye out for dog fouling culprits for which they can and do prosecute and also for fly tipping. About 30 volunteers helped with the litter pick round the island.

**6.14 To receive report from Borough and County Cllrs:** None received

**7.14 To receive reports from Parish Councillors and the Clerk:** None attended

**8.14 Rural Housing:** Plans were presented from Colne Housing for 4 proposed units which appear to be of a pleasant design, although a particular walk-way was questioned, and these would be for local people only. However, Land management who are supplying the land, do not agree with the positioning of these units on the plot which is opposite the village hall (in a continuous row from the existing houses) and would wish for them to be set back to include a village green in the project and would leave room for more houses to be built if required in the future. Therefore the Parish Council did not feel able to endorse these units with Colne Housing at this time. Land Management were asked if a clause could be included to ensure that any further houses built would also be for local people only.

**9.14 Seawalls:** Postponed to next month for more information

**10.14 Village Party:** Will take place at Fen Farm on Sat 7<sup>th</sup> June and the leaflet with details to distribute to all households in East Mersea was discussed and will be printed and delivered shortly.

**11.14 S106 monies:** Any possible suggestions for Cudmore Grove will be chased up.

**12.14 Coopers Beach and Cosways Holiday Park:** Cosways have had their application for shop etc approved but there are several conditions. Coopers matters will be chased up with CBC.

**13.14 Planning Decisions:**

140545 Proposal: Construction of extension to existing fish processing building at Colchester Oyster Fisheries, Pyefleet Quay – **Approve Conditional**

132235 Proposal: Extension of existing and erection of new building to provide restaurant, takeaway, business, storage, shop uses with ancillary facilities, together with children's play equipment, associated access and parking facilities at Cosways Holiday Park – **Approve Conditional**

**14.14 Schedule of payments to be made.**

10/04/14	180	Clerk's salary	321.63
10/04/14	241	Clerk's exp	100.00
10/04/14	242	EALC & NALC subs	75.19

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**15.14 Correspondence circulated**

**16.14 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda**

Coopers Beach and Cosways matters

Low cost/rural housing

Seawalls

Village Party

S106 monies

Meeting closed at: 8.50pm