

Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council meeting held at East Mersea Village Hall on 10th September 2020

Present: Cllrs: Jeff Mason (chair), Emma Green, Margaret Lawford, Chris Glover,
Clerk: Sue Pullen, Borough Cllrs Robert Davidson and Pat Moore and 4 members of the public

559.20 Apologies for absence: Cllr: David Sunnucks, County Cllr Kevin Bentley

560.20 To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th July 2020:

Cllr Green proposed and Cllr Mason seconded and all agreed that the minutes were a true record of the meeting and were signed by the chairman.

561.20 Declarations of Interest: None

562.20 Public Session: Following the repainting of the yellow lines along East Road after resurfacing it was requested for them to continue round the next corner from where they finish now which will be investigated. Litter bins are sometimes overflowing with unsavoury objects, particularly the one at the end of East Road, CBC will be contacted. Speeding was mentioned by several and is addressed below in that item. ECC were quick to attend to a falling tree over the highway when contacted.

563.20 Borough Cllrs reports: The CBC proposal for charging for the removal of garden waste has been shelved till at least next year. The government are proposing a complete reorganisation of county and borough/district councils and planning/building procedures will also be changed and with one elected mayor for Essex.

564.20 County Cllr report: None received.

565.20 Countrywide Litter Pick: East Mersea litter pick will be organised in due course.

566.20 Speeding on East Road: Speeding along East Road in the now 30mph limit is a huge problem and so a VAS will be requested from Highways and speed checks now and again from the police. Also, a request for volunteers will go out to take up the necessary training for a Speed Watch team for the use of a speed gun.

567.20 Clerk's Salary: It was agreed by all for the clerk's salary to be increased by .33p per hour (backdated to April) inline with the National Salary Awards.

568.20 Carer Support Team request: It was agreed by all for the parish council to donate £100 to this well-deserved project for a cream tea for the volunteer carers and their charges.

569.20 Path to Prosperity: The parish council will liaise with the ECC co-ordinator for the proposed coastal digital walking trail project.

570.20 Nuisance Jet Skiers: Will be reported whenever instances occur and WMTC will be consulted for their experiences of this problem.

571.20 Website: The new parish council website is running well.

572.20 Caravan Parks: The sites have been written to by CBC in relation to persistent residency and the matter is still being dealt with.

573.20 Planning Applications:

201443 Proposal: Front and rear single extensions. Resubmission of 191200 at Blackwater, Shop Lane – the parish council has no objections

201590 Proposal: Change of use of part of agricultural land to domestic garden and the construction of a domestic outbuilding (garage/workshop) on that land at Westleigh, East Road – the parish council has no objections

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201576 Proposal: Construction of equestrian ménage at land rear of East House, East Road – the parish council has no objections but requests conditions to specify for owner use only and no floodlighting.

Planning Decisions:

193130 Proposal: Sewage treatment plant at East Mersea Youth Camp – **Approve conditional**

200960 Proposal: Application for approval of reserved matters at land at Brierley Paddocks, West Mersea – **Approve the Reserved Matters-conditional**

574.20 Schedule of payments:

10/09/20	433	Parish council insurance	176.36
10/09/20	434	CALC subscription	35.00
10/09/20	435	Clerk's salary Aug & Sept	707.98
Total			£919.34

575.20 Matters to be raised on the next agenda:

Caravan Parks

Speeding on East Road- progress

Litter Pick

Path to Prosperity

Jet Skiers

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 8th October 2020 and will be conducted via Zoom. Details for the meeting will be available from the clerk nearer the time.