

Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council meeting held at East Mersea Village Hall on 9th September 2021

Present: Cllrs Jeff Mason (chair), Emma Green, Margaret Lawford, Clerk: Sue Pullen, and 3 members of the public

94.21 Apologies for absence: Cllrs David Sunnucks, Chris Glover, Borough Cllrs Robert Davidson, Pat Moore, County Cllr Kevin Bentley

95.21 To confirm and agree the minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 8th July 2021: it was agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the chairman.

96.21 Declarations of Interest: None

97.21 Public Session: Concern was expressed about the newly installed red lines outside a certain property in East Road and the occupants have made enquiries with ECC about delivery vehicles and workmen and are waiting for a reply. The parish council's involvement in the installation of yellow/red lines was explained, in addition to the normal parking problems in East Road the fact that when the country park was closed owing to the pandemic, there were numerous cars parked at this location which became a dangerous problem, all affected properties were consulted.

98.21 County Councillor report: None.

99.21 Borough Councillor report: None.

100.21 Footpaths: All overgrown footpaths have now been addressed by ECC.

101.21 Village Party will be rebooked for a date in December.

102.21 Speed cameras will be investigated further with Highways plus speed gun training which had been postponed owing to the pandemic.

103.21 Caravan Parks including the new Forum: The first meeting of the forum is now scheduled to take place at the end of September.

104.21 Planning Applications:

211973 Proposal: Change of use of part of derelict polytunnels from agricultural/horticultural to Class E (commercial, business and service) at Mersea Barns – the parish council has no objections to this application

211980 Proposal: Change of use from agricultural to equestrian and construction of menage at Reeves Barn, Meeting Lane – the parish council objects to the lighting and requests for condition stating for sole use of applicant

212105 Proposal: Modification and adaption to facilitate the conversion of the pool room to a garden room at Old Ship Cottage, East Road – the parish council has no objections

212114 Proposal: Permission to move some of the car parking at Mersea Boating Lake to higher ground to the north presently used for agricultural at East Mersea Youth Camp, Rewalls Lane – the parish council has no objections to this application

212273 Proposal: Conversion of disused rural building to single residential unit, complete with extension and detached cart lodge (resubmission of approval 210898) at Land south of Colchester Oyster fisheries Ltd. Pyefleet Quay, East Road – the parish council supports this application understanding the need for the applicant to live on site and supporting local businesses.

Planning Decisions

210941 Amendment of proposal: Demolition of existing side storey extension and construction of two storey extension and rear single storey extension and internal works

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at 1 Baring Gould Cottages, East Road – **Approve conditional**

211693 & 211694 Proposal: Conversion of barns to residential units at Old Barn, Rewsalls Lane – **Refuse**

211805 Proposal: Two storey side extension at 1 Reeves Hall Cottage, Meeting Lane – **Approve conditional**

211789 Proposal: Retrospective allocation for off-sales shop, extension to Vine Cottage, change of use of Vine Cottage from holiday let to residential annex, change of use of the Nook from winery store to residential annex, proposed new swimming pool – **Approve conditional**

105.21 Schedule of payments to be made:

09/09/21	460	Website hosting	120.00
09/09/21	461	August salary	364.00
09/09/21	462	Grass cutting	150.00
08/07/21	463	September salary	364.00
Total			£998.00

106.21 Matters to be raised on the next agenda:

Caravan Parks and Forum

Party update

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 14th October 2021 in East Mersea Village Hall at 7.30pm.

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