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

Present: Cllrs Jeff Mason (chair), David Sunnucks, Emma Green, Clerk: Sue Pullen, Borough Cllr: Pat Moore, 1 member of the public and Sandra Salmonese who was copted on to the parish council and welcomed by all, the Declarations of Acceptance of Office form was completed.

121.21 Apologies for absence: Cllr Margaret Lawford, Borough Cllr Robert Davidson, County Cllr Kevin Bentley

122.21 To confirm and agree the minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 14th October 2021: it was agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the chairman. November meeting was cancelled.

123.21 Declarations of Interest: None

124.21 Public Session: Views were expressed re a planning application

125.21 Borough Councillor report: There is soon to be a new CBC Chief Executive. Various CBC consultations and innovations are taking place such as a trial of parking sensors in Crouch Street, Colchester Castle Experience, electrically driven recycling truck, a lost bike scheme, a consultation on tenant satisfaction for council owned properties and other consultations are on the website. CBC has carried out planting for the Jubilee and submitted an application for city status. There is a 'click and collect' for recycling containers on the CBC website plus a special offer on composting bins. The red lines at West Mersea are to be removed. A sewage problem will be investigated. **126.21 Village Party** arranged for Friday 10th December was cancelled owing to the increase of cases of the new Covid variant and accepting that very few people may attend. Apologies expressed to Mersea Barns who have been extremely patient and obliging on this matter but will hopefully be able to host a village party for us eventually. Many thanks also, to Peter Mann for distributing the invitations for us again.

127.21 Radar Speed Signs will be ordered for two locations along East Road.

128.21 Caravan Parks including the new Forum: The second meeting of the forum was cancelled and will be rescheduled in due course to be held at the Town Hall, subsequent meeting will be held locally.

129.21 Planning Applications:

212963 (212964 Listed Building) Proposal: Barn conversion to 1x6 bedroom dwelling at Rewsalls Old Barn, Rewsalls Lane – the parish council supports this application Certificate of Lawful Use Consultation 212966 Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for existing use of the house and surrounding amenity land known at Fishponds as a single storey self-contained private dwelling house (Class C3) at Fishponds Field, Shop Lane – the parish council will point out that this has not had continuous use and has been used for camping purposes now and again.

Planning Decisions:

212273 Proposal: Conversion of disused rural building to single residential unit, complete with extension and detached cart lodge at Pyefleet Quay, East Road – **Approve conditional**

130.21 Schedule of payments to be made:

| | 11/11/21 | 466 | November salary | 364.00 |
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| 11/11/21 | 467 | Data Protection (information Commissioner) | 40.00 |
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| 09/12/21 | 468 | December salary | 364.00 |
| 09/12/21 | 469 | SLCC subscription | 74.81 |
| 09/12/21 | 470 | Grass cutting | 100.00 |
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| Total | | | £942.81 |

131.21 Matters to be raised on the next agenda: Caravan Parks and Forum Radar Speed Signs

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 13th January 2022 in East Mersea Village Hall at 7.30pm.