

Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council meeting held at East Mersea Village Hall on Thursday 10th March 2022

Present: Cllrs Jeff Mason (chair), Emma Green, Sandra Salmonese, Clerk Sue Pullen, Borough Cllr Robert Davidson, Peter Pyke representing Community Speedwatch for Safer Essex Roads Partnership and one member of the public

154.22 Apologies for absence: Cllrs David Sunnucks, Margaret Lawford, Borough Cllr Pat Moore, County Cllr Kevin Bentley

155.22 To confirm and agree the minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 10th February 2022: it was agreed by all and accepted as a true record of the meeting and signed by the chairman.

156.22 Declarations of Interest: None

157.22 Public Session: None

158.22 Borough Councillor report: CBC and County budgets have been set with CBC council tax to rise by £6 per year for a Band D property and County tax to rise by £60 per year for a Band D property. There will be a Covid Memorial on 26th March, attendance can be registered online via the CBC website and also there will be a Memorial for the former Mayor Nick Cope who died recently and again, details can be found on the CBC website.

159.22 Radar Speed Signs and Speed gun training: Peter Pyke gave a comprehensive summary of all that is involved in starting up a Speedwatch Group with the use a speed gun and the required training. Further investigation will take place followed by a request for local volunteers to undertake the training and using the gun. The positioning of the radar speed signs was agreed and will be forwarded to Highways.

160.22 Jubilee Celebrations: Further discussions and planning have taken place for our proposed event at and joining in with Mersea Barns on Saturday 4th June, including various stalls and children's activities followed by a party for East Mersea residents. Leaflets will be distributed to all properties in East Mersea.

161.22 Caravan Parks plus new Forum: The next meeting of the forum is scheduled to take place later this month.

162.22 Planning Applications:

220324 Proposal: Land Management is applying for planning permission to move some of the car parking at Mersea Boating Lake to higher ground to the north presently used for agriculture at East Mersea Youth Camp, Rewsalls Lane – the parish council has no objections provided that any wildlife in the vicinity is protected and the car park in not too high to be visible from surrounding areas.

220522 Proposal: Two storey side extension and internal alterations – renewal of previous consent 183105 at East House, East Road – the parish council has no objections.

220464 Proposal: Single storey extension to existing pavilion building to provide a larger kitchen and the erection of a single storey reception building at East Mersea Hall, Church Lane – the parish council has no objections.

163.22 Schedule of payments to be made:

10/02/22	474	March salary	364.00
Total			£364.00

164.22 Matters to be raised on the next agenda:

Caravan Parks and Forum

Radar Speed Signs and training for gun use

Jubilee Celebrations

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 14th April 2022 in East Mersea Village Hall at 7.30pm.