

3rd July 2018

Minutes of the meeting of Fingringhoe Parish Council held on Tuesday 3rd July 2018 at The Village Hall, Chapel Road, Fingringhoe.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

In the Chair	Councillor Gerald Ketley
Councillors	Michael Clarke Emma Dixon Helen Seton
Clerk	Rosemary Harvey

There were three members of the public present, together with Cllr Davidson.

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Chamberlain, Cllr Martin, the zone warden and Mr Canham.

2 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

3. **OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

There were no matters members of the public wished to raise.

4. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

5. **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM CLLR BENTLEY, CLLR DAVIDSON & ZONE WARDEN**

Cllr Davidson reported that the local plan inspector has instructed that Colchester Borough Council must give more information to the inspector after a number of issues have been raised.

Cllr Bentley is reported to be progressing with his new highways role and promises better communication and progress with repairs of potholes. The Clerk was asked to email Cllr Bentley copied to Cllr Davidson to remind him of the outstanding issues; no through road sign needed and action to prevent surface water runoff at a resident's property. In addition kerbing or posts outside the post box and notice board in Chapel Road to prevent cars being parked too close.

ACTION: Clerk

Cllr Davidson agreed to investigate the position regarding the speed activated sign in Chapel Road to progress the repair.

It was commented that the litter bins on the Recreation Ground have not been emptied and Cllr Davidson will check with the zone warden.

Turning to the John Brunning Walk Cllr Davidson believed there may have been attempts by developers to block the path but that Rowhedge residents are walking the path in order to try to keep this open.

6. MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF 5TH JUNE 2018

The minutes of the meetings held on 5th June 2018 had been circulated and were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Vehicle Activated speed unit in Chapel Road

This was discussed during Cllr Davidson's report.

b) Purchase of a defibrillator and offer received from a resident.

The resident considers that training on the use of the defibrillator is not necessary as the equipment talks the operator through the process. The Parish Council are proposing to hold training sessions so that residents understand the operation of the equipment and are not scared to use it. Cllr Seton offered to speak with the resident and request a donation towards the cost of the equipment, so that the purchase can be progressed.

c) Pontoon at Ferry Road

The pontoon was discussed during Cllr Davidson's report.

d) NHS 70th tea party

The Chairman has agreed that the Parish Council will meet the cost of hosting the tea party. The invoices have been requested from Mrs Sheena Taylor. As many councillors as possible were asked to attend and assist at the event.

e) Repairs to John Brunning Walk

This was discussed during Cllr Davidson's report.

f) Co-option of an additional councillor

It was noted that there is a vacancy for one additional councillor at the present time and that a further vacancy will arise later in the year.

g) Fly tipping incidents in village.

No further incidents have been reported.

h) Incidents of threatening or anti-social behaviour.

No incidents have been reported. The gate to the Recreation Ground is being kept closed at night to prevent anti-social behaviour.

8. PLANNING REPORTS

Two applications were considered and the councillors had no objections:

- 181320 7 The Dingle, Ballast Quay Road – replace existing conservatory roof to side elevation.
- 181426 The Spinney, Hays Lane – single storey side extension.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

An invitation was received from the Mayor of Colchester for two councillors and the Clerk to attend a reception at the Town Hall at 7pm on 12th July. It was agreed that the Clerk will accept the invitation.

10. ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

A hole was reported to be developing on Fingringhoe Road which the Clerk was asked to report on line.

11. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTSa) Accounts for payment:

The following accounts were passed for payment and approved.	£
Rural Community Council of Essex (annual subscription)	72.60
Kendall Plus (grass cutting 25.06.18)	248.40
Colchester Borough Council (uncontested election fee)	62.00
Mrs R A Harvey (printer cartridges)	36.70
Fingringhoe Village Hall (donation and use of cupboard)	250.00
St Andrews Church Fingringhoe	250.00
Mrs R A Harvey (July salary)	204.00
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	51.00
Total	£ 1,174.70

The Clerk's salary and amounts to Kendalls, Colchester Borough Council and HMRC were approved for payment by bank transfer.

12. TO RECEIVE REPORTSa) Footpaths

There was nothing further to report.

b) Village Pond

Cllr Chamberlain had been removing weed from the pond and will ask for help from a working party when needed.

c) Recreation Ground

The repairs to the fencing have been completed.

d) Transport

There was nothing to report.

e) Fingringhoe School

Parking by parents is continuing to be a problem.

f) EWT

Mr Canham reported that more volunteers are needed at the site.

13. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION & NOTING

A list of general correspondence and circulars received was circulated. The correspondence box will be circulated around the councillors to read the contents.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th September 2018 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8 pm