

FINGRINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING – 7 June 2022

A meeting of the Council took place at Fingringhoe Village Hall, Chapel Road, Fingringhoe, Colchester, Essex CO5 7BH on TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2022 at 7pm.

Councillors present: Gerald Ketley – Chairman
Michael Clarke – Vice Chairman
Ian Chamberlain
Emma Dixon
Jonathan Martin
Petra Palfreyman – Parish Clerk

Also in attendance – CBC Cllr Robert Davidson and no members of the public.

090/22	Apologies for absence – Cllr Neil Gordon & Cllr Sharron Law
091/22	To record declarations of interest - none
092/22	Public Questions - none
093/22	Reports from CBC Councillor Robert Davidson Cllr Davidson was congratulated on being elected to his new position at CBC and thanked everyone for their votes. Apologies were given for not attending the jubilee beacon event as he was at events in his own village. Colchester has been granted city status by the Queen as part of her jubilee celebrations and evidence shows that cities grow approx. 8% in economy with benefits to employments and investments. There may be a royal visit to mark the occasion. The new mayor of CBC is Tim Young and his theme for the year is Celebrating Diversity. The new coalition have not announced their plan and priorities for their year yet. First Site has been voted museum of the year and has received over £170 000 in grants.
094/22	To approve the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 18 May 2022 and any matters arising – the minutes as previously circulated were approved signing. There were no matters arising.
095/22	To consider planning applications received. 221212 Mr and Mrs Reynolds 20 Brook Hall Road,

	Fingringhoe Colchester CO5 7DG Single storey rear and side extension to replace existing conservatory Expiry date: 17/06/2022 No comments																																																																		
096/22	To receive planning notification decisions. 220853 Mrs Dias Coriander House, Abberton Road, Fingringhoe CO5 7AS Single Storey Side / Rear Extension Decision type: Approve Conditional																																																																		
097/22	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) Accounts payable May/June 2022</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Invoice date</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Purpose</th> <th>Cheque /BACs</th> <th>Amount £</th> <th>VAT</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>18.05.22</td> <td>Adrian Watson</td> <td>Play area fence (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>550.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>19.05.22</td> <td>Jan Stobart</td> <td>Internal Audit (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>195.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>30.05.22</td> <td>Mortimer Contracts</td> <td>Play area refurb (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>1206.00</td> <td>201.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20.05.22</td> <td>J J Prior</td> <td>Beacon pole (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>913.08</td> <td>152.18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20.05.22</td> <td>Ferretti Ironworks</td> <td>Beacon fire basket (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>1688.00</td> <td>278.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19.05.22</td> <td>EWP Consultancy</td> <td>Tree Survey (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>274.80</td> <td>45.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30.05.22</td> <td>J J Prior</td> <td>Church Green fence (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>1739.02</td> <td>289.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>31.05.22</td> <td>P Palfreyman</td> <td>Clerks wages May (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>611.80</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>26.05.22</td> <td>Mortimers Contracts</td> <td>Multi play unit deposit (PAID)</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>7440.00</td> <td>1240.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>14617.70</td> <td>2206.82</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The payments were approved by the Council. Also agreed for a payment of £825 to Picketts Farm from jubilee refreshments.</p> <p>b) To note the bank reconciliation to 31 May 2022 – noted and agreed</p> <p>c) To review the budget for 2022/23 – the clerk advised that at the end of May the budget was on target and agreed to send out copies to the councillors</p> <p>d) To note the Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2022 - noted and agreed</p>	Invoice date	Payee	Purpose	Cheque /BACs	Amount £	VAT	18.05.22	Adrian Watson	Play area fence (PAID)	Bacs	550.00		19.05.22	Jan Stobart	Internal Audit (PAID)	Bacs	195.00		30.05.22	Mortimer Contracts	Play area refurb (PAID)	Bacs	1206.00	201.00	20.05.22	J J Prior	Beacon pole (PAID)	Bacs	913.08	152.18	20.05.22	Ferretti Ironworks	Beacon fire basket (PAID)	Bacs	1688.00	278.00	19.05.22	EWP Consultancy	Tree Survey (PAID)	Bacs	274.80	45.80	30.05.22	J J Prior	Church Green fence (PAID)	Bacs	1739.02	289.84	31.05.22	P Palfreyman	Clerks wages May (PAID)	Bacs	611.80		26.05.22	Mortimers Contracts	Multi play unit deposit (PAID)	Bacs	7440.00	1240.00	Total				14617.70	2206.82
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	<p>e) To note the report from the Internal Auditor - noted</p> <p>f) To agree to sign the Certificate of Exemption – The Council agreed the annual income and expenditure was below £25000 and confirmed the certificate of exemption could be signed</p> <p>g) To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) – approved and signed</p> <p>h) To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement (Section 2) – approved and signed</p> <p>The Clerk advised the dates for Notification of Public Rights is 30 working days from 8 June 2022.</p>
098/22	To consider the results of the tree survey and discuss any priority works to be carried out – the Council agreed the survey was thorough and highlighted a few areas for work. Following discussion, the Council agreed to refer the survey to Roman River Trees for further comment.
099/22	To receive an update about the play area refurbishment and insurance claim – the clerk confirmed the insurance claim had been paid in full for £12860. The see saw has now been fitted and is waiting to be signed off by an inspector and the new seats have been fitted. The multi play is on order and the bark surface will be put down in the next few weeks. We await a decision about locality funding for the cantilever swing. The basketball pitch was not cleaned with the pressure washer but will be done when one is hired again. Mortimers will give an estimate to repair the gate.
100/22	To consider taking part in the Salt Bag partnership – following discussion the Council agreed they had a stock from previous years and do not need any more this year
101/22	<p>To receive reports from Parish representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Footpaths – nothing to report • Village Pond – 2 working parties have recently met to clear the weed. The railings have now been painted on Whalebone Hill which has tidied it up and they have been replaced on Church Rd. • Recreation Ground – the grass cutting is looking better. The contractor forgot to strim around the play area fence and will be reminded. A request to strim around the gate posts and bollards on Church Green will also be requested. • Transport – there are plenty of empty double decker buses coming through the village, but we are advised they get busy on the way back to Colchester • Fingringhoe School – Cllr Ketley will make contact after half term

103/22	<p>Correspondence received –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies will be given for attendance at Wivenhoe TC Green Open Spaces meeting • Cllr Ketley will arrange transfer of the Income Bond and Barclays Savings account funds (as a signatory) to the Unity Trust account • New councillors were advised to complete their Register of Interests by the deadline • The first batch of jubilee mugs had a spelling mistake on them, and a new batch will be delivered next week. It was agreed to give each household 2 incorrect and two correct mugs. • The gates at the Recreation Ground have been painted and the contractor will be asked to paint the pedestrian access also. • The clerk will investigate the cost of a plaque for the Jubilee beacon • Some concerns have been raised about the vulnerability of the Post Office staff. GK will speak to the staff before any further action. • The Queens Platinum Jubilee event went very well, with several thousand people attending the various events on Thursday 2nd June which were, a dog show and stalls at the Recreation Ground, a BBQ at the Village Hall, craft activities at the school, a craft shows and music at Church Green Trust and food, drink and craft stalls and entertainment at Picketts Farm. In the evening the beacon lighting ceremony was attended by over 100 people who enjoyed a complimentary drink and snack, while enjoying music and singing the National Anthem and Sweet Caroline, before the beacon was lit at 9.45pm. The combined events, which included a charity ball organised by the Jubilee committee raised over £20000 to be donated to St Helena Hospice.
104/22	<p>Date of the next meeting – TUESDAY 5 JULY 2022 at 7pm at Fingringhoe Village Hall.</p>

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.55pm