



**FINGRINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**COUNCIL MEETING – 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2024**

A meeting of the Council took place at Fingringhoe Village Hall, Chapel Road, Fingringhoe, Colchester, Essex  
CO5 7BH on 3 April 2024 at 7pm.

Councillors present: Gerald Ketley – Chairman  
Michael Clarke – Vice Chairman  
Emma Dixon  
Neil Gordon  
Sharron Law  
Jonathan Martin  
Petra Palfreyman – Parish Clerk

047/24	Apologies for absence – Cllrs K Bentley, R Davidson, C Powling and I Chamberlain
048/24	To record declarations of interest – none
049/24	Public Questions - none
050/24	To receive reports from our Essex County and Colchester City Councillors – none
051/24	To approve minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 and any matters arising - the minutes as previously circulated were approved for signing. There were no matters arising.
052/24	To receive planning notification decisions 240172 Mr and Mrs Button Clay Pightle, Abberton Road, Fingringhoe Essex CO5 7AT Proposed remodelling of the existing dwelling including the removal of the existing conservatory, the erection of two bay windows to the front of the dwelling alongside a porch, a rear extension, and a loft conversion creating a 1.5 storey dwelling. (resubmission). Decision: Refuse

053/24	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>a) Accounts payable March 2024 -the following payments were noted and agreed</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="320 286 1289 1039"> <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>15.03.24</td> <td>ICO</td> <td>Information Commissions Office subscription</td> <td>DD</td> <td>35.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>26.03.24</td> <td>News &amp; Views</td> <td>Donation for running costs</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>250.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>26.03.24</td> <td>J J Prior</td> <td>Sand works posts</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>530.40</td> <td>88.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28.03.24</td> <td>Anglia Landscapes</td> <td>Recreation ground car park and play bark</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>2436.00</td> <td>406.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28.03.24</td> <td>P Palfreyman</td> <td>March wages and office allowance</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>603.40</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>31.03.24</td> <td>Unity Trust Bank</td> <td>Service charges</td> <td>Bacs</td> <td>18.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><b>3872.80</b></td> <td><b>494.40</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>b) To review the budget for 2023/24 – noted and agreed</p> <p>c) To note the bank reconciliation to 31 March 2024 – noted and agreed</p>	Invoice date	Payee	Purpose	Cheque /BACs	Amount £	VAT	15.03.24	ICO	Information Commissions Office subscription	DD	35.00		26.03.24	News & Views	Donation for running costs	Bacs	250.00		26.03.24	J J Prior	Sand works posts	Bacs	530.40	88.40	28.03.24	Anglia Landscapes	Recreation ground car park and play bark	Bacs	2436.00	406.00	28.03.24	P Palfreyman	March wages and office allowance	Bacs	603.40		31.03.24	Unity Trust Bank	Service charges	Bacs	18.00		<b>Total</b>				<b>3872.80</b>	<b>494.40</b>
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054/24	To discuss the plans for the D Day anniversary on 6 June 2024 – the clerk cc confirmed that the Fingringhoe Club will hold a BBQ that evening and the beacon in Ferry Rd will be lit at 9.15pm.																																																
055/24	To discuss the findings of the latest play park inspection – the clerk advised that following the CCC quarterly play area inspection, some maintenance is required to tighten fixings, nuts and bolts and the gate. Also, the goal posts will need to be load tested at some point soon. Cllr Gordon agreed to do this and report back to the council.																																																
056/24	To provide an update about the Housing Needs Survey - the survey will be distributed by volunteers in the village, around the 10 April and the closing date is 31 Mat 2024.																																																
057/24	<p>To receive reports from Parish representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Footpaths – the footpaths are slowly drying out</li> <li>• Village Pond – some more weed has been recently removed</li> <li>• Recreation Ground - the grass will be cut next week</li> <li>• Transport – nothing to report</li> <li>• Fingringhoe School - nothing to report</li> </ul>																																																

058/24	<p>12. Updates about ongoing issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recreation Ground car park – the surface has been repaired</li><li>• Play area bark – Cllr Clarke will check to see if this has been added</li><li>• Village hall white lines – these will be renewed next week</li><li>• Frog study - the date will be advised once known</li><li>• John Brunning Walk – update awaited from ECC</li><li>• School parking – await update about red lines from parking partnership</li></ul>
059/24	<p>Date of the next meeting – TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY 2024 at 7pm at Fingringhoe Village Hall. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.</p>

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.55pm