

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held on Wednesday 5th October 2016
in the Parish Council Rooms, West Street
Rochford, commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs. Mrs. K. Amber, J. Ashton (Vice Chairman) , D. Avery, R. Bacon, L. Bruncker, D. Brown, J. Cottis, Mrs. G. Gibson, J Gibson, Miss M. Lamb, Ms. J. McPherson, Mrs. W. Moss, Mrs. A. Simpkin M. Softly, PJ Stanton, Mrs. M. Weir, A. Williams (Chairman)

In attendance: County Cllr. C. Seagers,

Clerk: Mrs. J. V. Rigby

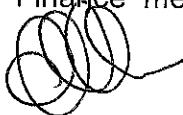
76/16 **Apologies for Absence/Co-option to the Parish Council**
Apologies were received from District Cllr. M. Steptoe

77/16 **Declarations of Interests:**
Cllrs. R. Bacon and L. Bruncker declared interests in anything pertaining to the allotments by virtue of being allotment tenants.
Cllr. J. Ashton declared an interest in the item on Rochford Lawn Cemetery by virtue of being a neighbour of the grave owner.
Cllr. Mrs. McPherson declared an interest in the item regarding the Parish Council Rooms by virtue of her partners' occupation.

78/16 **Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th September 2016**
The non-confidential minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

79/16 **Chairman's Announcements –**
79/16.1 The Chairman reported on the October Farmers Market he also thanked the two volunteers who manage the bread stall.
An enquiry has been received from a lady selling handbags and scarves. It was **Agreed** that this stall would be acceptable
79/16.2 The Footprints Quiz Night on 14th October was also mentioned.
79/16.3 The Chairman reminded members that they have no authority to act without the prior authority of the Parish Council, and must always check with the Clerk when receiving requests for any matter relating to Parish Council property.

80/16 **Finance**
80/16.1 The minutes of the Finance meeting held on 14th September 2016 were received and ratified.

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81/16 **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk presented her report, which included:-

- a) A list of events she had attended in September, and proposed for October.
- b) Members **Agreed** to the purchase of a replacement boiler for the Parish Rooms (this item was admitted on the grounds of urgency).

82/16 **Questions from the Public:** - There were no members of the public present

83/16 **Report from District/County Councillors –**

Cllr. Seagers gave a brief report on matters pertaining to the County Council.

84/16 **Councillor Training**

84/16.1 Notification of the following training courses was received:-

- (a) The EALC Course Schedule for the Autumn.
- (b) RDC Training available to Parish Councils

84/16.2 A report on the EALC AGM and Conference was received.

85/16 **Questions (pursuant to SO 7:1) and Reports of Committees.**

The following unapproved minutes were received and all recommendations therein ratified:-

85/16.1 Events and Media Sub-Committee – 21st September

The members of the Social Media Task and Finish Group will be Cllrs. Mrs. J. McPherson, M. Softly, and Mrs. K. Amber

85/16.2. Planning Committee – 21st September.

85/16.3 Community Projects Committee – 21st September

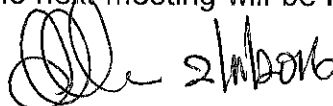
It was **Agreed** to withdraw the planning application for the posts in Bradley Way.

85/16.4 General Purposes Committee – 28th September. Matters arising:-

- a) The Recommendation regarding 124 Stambridge Road was **Agreed**.
- b) The Clerks report on the recent incident at the Lawn Cemetery was received and the recommendations **Agreed**.

86/16. **Reports from Representatives to Outside Bodies**

- a) Rochford Hundred Assn. Of Local Councils - Cllrs. Mrs. M. Weir, PJ Stanton, Clerk. -. Next meeting 20th October in Rochford Parish Council Rooms.
- b) Old Peoples Welfare Committee Cllr. Mrs. W. Moss - minutes were available.
- c) Rochford & District Chamber of Trade – Cllrs. J. Ashton, A. Williams. A verbal report on the last meeting was received. The next meeting will be held on 22nd October at 10am in the Parish Council Rooms
- d) Transport Representatives Meeting - Cllr PJ Stanton – A meeting will be held on 12th October
- e) Police Community Meeting – Cllrs. J. Gibson, L. Bruncker, Clerk. Next meeting 13th October at 7pm in the Parish Council Rooms
- f) Wallasea Island Liaison Group – PJ Stanton. A site visit will be taking place on 7th October
- g) Larger Local Councils Forum – The next meeting will be held on 12th October in Halstead.



- h) Rochford Town Team. – no report

87/16 **Correspondence**

The following was received:-

- a) Letter from the Chief Constable
- b) Defra Newsletter regarding flooding
- c) Email regarding Temporary Closure of Flooded Roads – This matter will be referred to General Purposes Committee
- d) Email from Trustlinks seeking support for a CIF application – Parish Council Support for this application was given. Members asked whether they could visit the facility to meet with Trustlinks and discuss the plans for this project. .
- e) Invitation to YSG Event - noted

88/16 **Any motions received in the order of proper notification – None**

89/16 **Streetlighting Outages/Highway Issues – none reported**

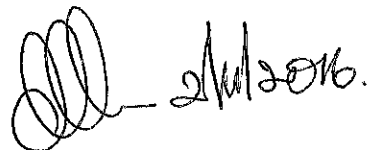
90/16 **Consultative Documents**

The following documents were received:-

- 90/16.1 The 2017/18 Local Government Finance Settlement - Members **Agreed** with the resolution passed at the EALC AGM. **Clerk to send response.**
- 90/16.2 Local Policing – Members were encouraged to complete this survey.

91/16 **Planning Applications**

No planning applications had been notified.



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