

CHAPPEL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th JULY 2008
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, CHAPPEL AT 7.30 P.M.

In the Chair: Cllr. Mrs. S. Chamley.
Present: Cllrs. Mr. C. Cordingley, Mr. N. Ingram, Mr. T. Langley, Mrs. H. Leftley & Mr. P. Neubauer.
Clerk: Mr. K. Butcher.
Also Present Cllr. Peter Chillingworth and two members of the public.

08/063 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

The Chairman welcomed those present. Cllr. Belcham had been delayed by a work commitment but was expected to arrive in time for Agenda Item 08/074.

The Council Meeting was suspended to allow:

08/064 PUBLIC FORUM.

No requests to address Council had been received.

08/065 COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL COUNCILLOR.

CBC Councillor Peter Chillingworth presented each Councillor with a Hessian shopping bag sponsored by businesses associated with Colchester Market.

Cllr Chillingworth then addressed Council regarding several issues:

- Monies raised from new build section 106 agreements were to be shared between the Ward and Borough in the proportions 65% and 35%.
- Colchester Borough Council were requesting that notices by Parishes that Planning Regulations may have been breached should be made in writing.
- The site for a new Sainsbury's supermarket in Stanway had been approved.

The formal Council Meeting continued at 7.47 p.m..

08/066 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

Cllr. Chamley declared an interest in Agenda Item 08/070 where a payment to her husband was listed.

08/067 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES –MEETING HELD 11TH JUNE.

RESOLUTION 32/08 . THAT THE DRAFT MINUTES BE APPROVED AS BEING A TRUE RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH JUNE.

Proposed: Cllr. Ingram Seconded: Cllr. Cordingley For: 4 Abstentions: 2 (Absent).

08/068 CHAIRMAN'S BRIEFING.

The Chairman congratulated Cllr. Leftley on her election and welcomed her to the Council. New Goal posts had been ordered and it was hoped that Steven Callis would assist in their installation.

The pavement between Allen Cottages and Broome Corner needed spraying to kill the weeds. There was to be a site meeting to discuss the proposed new "safer journeys to school" route.

A request to Essex County Council for help in resolving the VG113 parking issue had not yet proved very successful.

The Chairman had attended the official opening of the new class room at the Primary School, The School "Sports Day" would be held at 1.30 p.m. on. June 12th.

The next meeting of Chappel Parish Council would be held on September 10th.

08/069 CORRESPONDENCE.

All general correspondence received was on display with the exception of Agenda related items. The Clerk informed the meeting that several invoices had been received since the Agenda was published and it was agreed that a further meeting should be held near the end of the month to consider financial related items only.

08/070 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

The Clerk presented seven invoices for approval:

Colchester Borough Council Election Fee £630.26

Essex Playing Fields Assn. Annual membership Fee £25.00

James Chamley – Topping Parish Field £90.00 + VAT

John Turner – Internal Audit Fee £210.00

Mr S. Hodge – Village ranger 22.16 hours at usual rate.

Playsafety Ltd. RoSPA play equipment inspection £75.00 + VAT

RCCE Annual membership Fee £40.00

RESOLUTION 33/08 . THAT THE INVOICES RECEIVED, AS DETAILED, BE APPROVED FOR IMMEDIATE PAYMENT.

Proposed: Cllr. Neubauer Seconded: Cllr. Langley For: 6.

Council then considered the audited accounts for 2007 – 2008, and the Chairman read a letter received from the Auditor. His comments were noted

RESOLUTION 34/08 . THAT THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK BE INSTRUCTED TO COMPLETE THE ANNUAL RETURN.

Proposed: Cllr. Langley Seconded: Cllr. Ingram For: 6 Abstentions.

08/071 PLANNING MATTERS:

There were no planning matters to consider.

08/072 MEMBER'S QUESTIONS.

No questions had been submitted.

08/073 TO CONSIDER THE JOINT VENTURE WITH WAKES COLNE PC REGARDING THE RECRUITMENT OF VOLUNTEERS FOR THE COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH SCHEME.

Cllr. Langley informed the meeting that although he remained committed to this venture there was a serious shortage of volunteers from the Village. It was agreed that a letter seeking volunteers should be delivered to homes and a notice posted on the Council Website. Councillors were asked to consider suitable sites speed-watch activities to take place and to inform Cllr. Langley of same.

The meeting was suspended at 8.44 p.m.

Cllr. Belcham. Arrived at 8.54 and the meeting was reconvened.

08/074 TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED PRESENTATION TO THE VILLAGE OF PLANS REGARDING THE PARISH FIELD AND ALLOTMENTS.

Cllr. Belcham showed a PowerPoint presentation relating to the refurbishment of the Village Allotments and the development of the Parish Field.

RESOLUTION 35/08 . THAT A PRESENTATION BE MADE TO THE VILLAGE IN OCTOBER, OUTLINING THE PROPOSALS FOR THE REFURBISHMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE VILLAGE ALLOTMENTS, AND THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE PARISH FIELD.

Proposed: Cllr. Belcham. Seconded: Cllr. Chamley For: 6.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.23 P.M.
DATE OF NEXT MEETING – SEPTEMBER 10TH 2008.**

SIGNED CHAIRMANDATE