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Minutes of the Radwinter Parish Council held on Monday 26th October 2015,

Present Cllr Halls

Cllr Duck

Cllr Mary

Cllr Boyden

Cllr Kleber

Cllr Fitch

DC Howell

3 members of the public

Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

15/169 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Rains

15/170 Members of the public are welcome to attend the Parish Council meeting. Those wishing to speak or raise any issue are requested to do so at.

Sir Jonathan Parker would like to thank the Parish Council for the installation of the Dog Poo Bin at Church View Meadow this seems to be working well; UDC has been and emptied the bin.

Sir Jonathan Parker wanted to raise 3 items about the church yard.

1. The unused part of the church yard has been cleared and they've found a exposed deep ditch which needs to be fenced. This is a health and safety issue the cost would be £2,280 for a post and rail fence.
- 2, The Lych Gate at the front of the church has sunk and it needs new foundations.
3. The boundary fence with the kissing gate, the gate is dangerous and needs replacing.

Sir Jonathan Parker said that the PCC have not got any money to do these jobs. Nor has the Friends of Radwinter Church.

A member of the public came to let the council know that the boundary ditch had been reinstated as per the court order with the new development at the Old Mushroom Farm development and the neighbouring property.

The WI are registering for the "Clean for The Queen campaign" this is to clear up Britain in time for Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday.

You can start now and also take part in the clean for the Queen weekend on March 4th, 5th, and 6th 2016.

15/171 Members' Declarations of interest

There were none

15/172 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting on 28th September 2015 were approved and signed.

15/173 Clerks Report

The Dog Poo Bins had been installed and UDC had agreed to empty the bins, DC Howell has agreed to pay for the bins when the invoice comes in.

15/174 District Councils Report

DC Howell reported that he had received a lot of letters regarding the East View Close development, after the meeting in the village hall on the 15th October. The problem is you can't build 35 houses without some disruption to the village. The DC was pleased that UDC planning officer came along to the meeting, UDC think highly of the developers and say they are a good company. The groundworks will cause some disruption for the first 4 months but then the parish should see the developers using the new entrance.

400 landowners have put sites forward for the new developments in Uttlesford either for further extensions to villages/towns or completely new developments. Developers pay for the new infrastructure in the area. The new Local Plan Issues and Options consultation Document runs from Oct 22- 4th Dec 2015.

15/175 County Councillors

The Leader of the County Council is working with the leaders of the Districts, Southend and Thurrock to develop a Devolution proposal for submission to the Government later this year. Finer details have yet to be agreed, but it could lead to a Greater Essex Combined Authority with more joined-up services and subsequent cost savings.

A reminder that Secondary School place applications close on October 31<sup>st</sup>. GCSE grades continue to improve across Essex, with the County now ranked 53<sup>rd</sup> in the local authority rankings, up from 85<sup>th</sup>.

Last week's Cabinet agreed to building a new primary school at Great Dunmow in order to meet increasing demand.

The County's Flood Prevention Capital Programme is offering a Partnership Grant to Parish Councils to help reduce flood risk in their communities. Further information is available from the flood team on [floods@essex.gov.uk](mailto:floods@essex.gov.uk)

The County will from November 2<sup>nd</sup> start using a 0345 prefix for its public enquiry lines, making it the same cost as a 01 or 02 call.

A New Chief Executive has been announced, he is Gavin Jones who will be leaving his post at Swindon Council. He joins the Council in January.

Some documents of interest: the Annual Scrutiny Report for 2014-2015 was presented to Council in early October. Last week the Cabinet agreed the Highways and Transportation Asset Management Policy, and the flood teams guide to ordinary watercourse maintenance.

All documents are available via the ECC website.

#### 15/176 Recreation Ground:

##### 15/176.1 Recreation Ground Entrance

The Clerk has received notification that we didn't get the grant from the National Lottery. Cllrs will keep looking into grants

##### 15/176.2 Recreation Ground

The Clerk has spoken with Henry Turthill from Bidwells, the money will be transferred in to our account in the next couple of weeks.

#### 15/177 Finance:

To agree the following payments:

15/177.1	Cathryn Carlisle –	salary July	500356
15/177.2 £85.20	E-on	Electricity	d/d
15/177.3 £23.00	Cathryn Carlisle	Clerk Expenses	500
15/177.4 £48.38	A & J Lighting	Maintenance	S/O
15/177.5 £50.00	Village Hall	Hall Hire	500358
15/177.6 £56.14	BT	Telephone	500355

All payments were approved by all members of the council present

15/177.5 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation  
All agreed by all members of the council present

15/177.6 Bank Account to Complete forms Update  
Cllr Mary and Cllr Halls have both been to the bank, Cllr Kleber has spoken to the bank. Cllr Boyden, Cllr Rains said they would go into the bank this weekend.

15/177.7 Budget sheet for 2016/17  
Cllrs looked at the proposed budget sheet. The Clerk explained why both the electricity and the street lighting had gone up.  
The Clerk has to wait and see what the phone bill will be as so far we've only had one bill with some extras on there. This is because The Clerk got BT to change the contract hoping to lower the bills.

15/178 Recent Planning Applications:

15/178.1 Planning Applications

There were none

15/178.2 Planning Results

There were none

15/178.3 New Development of East View

Three Councillors and The Clerk attended the meeting with regards to the new development at East View Close, there were quite a few residents there, people are still not happy that the contractors will be using East View Close until the new entrance on the Walden Road is opened up.

Cllrs asked the Clerk if she could put a letter out to all residents in the close about the parking, one councillor said that residents were parking really badly and they were unable to get out of the close the other morning. There is plenty of spare parking around the close residents don't have to park in the road.

Cllr Duck comment that the fence is too high next to a resident's garden and it was upsetting him. It was agreed that The Clerk would email the Developers to see if anything could be done

15/179 Highways: Updates

There were none

15/180 Stocking Green

The Clerk has given Cllr Mary's and Cllr Hall's no to David Low to speak about grass cutting and hedges in the village.

15/181 Village Sign

It was agreed to go ahead with getting the sign refurbished. It will cost approximately £250.00 plus VAT.

15/182 Remembrance Sunday

The Clerk has been speaking to the person who organising the wreath and she has informed The Clerk that Diane Redfern needs help in collecting round the middle village. We also need to find a bugle player Cllr Fitch said he would look into this, unless anyone else knows of anyone. Cllrs agreed to look into the bugle player. Cllr Halls said he would help with collecting the middle village.

15/183 To look into a five year plan on what the Parish Council would like to achieve. And how we go about it?

15/184 Other updates

15/185 Date of next Meeting  
30th November 2015

15/186 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda  
Church Yard Sir Jonathan Parkers proposals  
Litter Pick

15/187 Meeting Closed at 9.32 pm