

Radwinter Parish Council

www.radwinter.net
radwinterparishcouncil@gmail.com
Tel: 01440 731964 / 07766 112536

The Clerk, Herkstead Green Bungalow, Cornish Hall End
Braintree, Essex CM7 4HH

Minutes of Radwinter Parish Council held on Monday 28th Oct 2019, in the Village Hall

Present Cllr Duck

Cllr Fitch

Cllr Davidson

Cllr Richardson

DC Storah (UDC Councillor)

1 member of the public

Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

19/199 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Rains

Cllr Halls

Cllr Boyden

19/200 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.

No Comments

19/201 Members' Declarations of interest

Cllr Duck Village Hall and Recreation Ground

Cllr Fitch Recreation Ground, Men's Shed

19/202 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 30th September 2019, were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr Duck Seconded Cllr Davidson

19/203 Clerks Report

The Clerk had received an email from the VHC saying that 2 people had entered the village hall on Tuesday morning while someone had hired the Hall. The Clerk to write a letter of apology.

19/204 District Councils Report

DC report had been sent out prior to the meeting

- Local Plan awaiting Inspector response
- Stansted Airport still work in progress
- Changes to the Planning process needs formally adopting
- Corporate Plan update
- Ward Councillors' Initiative: The Pc recommend a grant to the Childs swing on the Recreation Ground.

19/205 County Councillors

The Clerk had sent out the report before the meeting

- Essex County Council takes the lead on environmental initiatives
- Brexit
- The art of building relationships
- Highways and flooding

19/206 Recreation Ground Update

19/206.1 Update on the Hedge at Hylas

After a discussion with the owner of Hylas, Cllr Fitch and Cllr Richardson will go and take another look at the hedge in question and meet with the owner to discuss away forward.

19/206.2 Nomination Trustees for the Recreation Ground Committee

The Clerk had received an email asking if the PC could confirm that the 2 Trustees are happy to be re-appointed as trustees and whether we wish to make any further nominations up to a maximum of four.

The Recreation Ground constitution part 10, clause 2a states that “Radwinter Parish Council (“the appointing body”) may appoint not less than two nor more than four charity trustees”.

Eileen Duck and Pete Fitch are currently our nominated representatives.

Cllr Richardson and Cllr Fitch will review the constitution before the Council decides on appointing any further Trustees.

19/207 Finance:

To agree the following payments:

19/207.1	Cathryn Carlisle –	salary Oct	
19/207.2 £121.71	SEE	Electricity	d/d
19/207.3 £25.00	Cathryn Carlisle	Clerk Expenses	
19/207.4 £48.38	A & J Lighting	Maintenance	D/D
19/207.5 £57.59	BT	Telephone	D/D
19/207.6 £324.00	EALC	Training	
19/207.7 £87.00	Outdoor Jack	Verge Cutting	
19/207.8 £5.00	UALC	Subs	

Payments were approved for payment by all members of the council present. Cllr Fitch checked the invoices prior to the meeting.

19/207.9 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation

These were sent out prior to the meeting.

19/207.10 Budget

The Council discussed budget setting. There was concern that the government may introduce Capping of the precept at some point, possibly as early as next year, with any above inflation rises only possible through referendum which would cost the PC a lot of money.

Cllr Richardson has written to or writing to all the organisations in the village asking if they would like to apply for a grant next year and if so how much would they like and for what purpose. These applications will assist the PC to set a precept that supports organisations working for the benefit of the community, and will be discussed at the Finance Meeting which will take place prior to the meeting on the 25th November.

19/207.11 To update the Risk Review

Cllrs reviewed the Risk Review and adopted the current document.

19/207.12 Bank Account update

Cllr Richardson and The Clerk went to the bank and completed some of the forms. Cllr Duck needs to go to Barclays and get her identification approved and send this to the Clerk once its been done.

19/208 Recent Planning Applications:

UTT/18/3460/OP Land south of Walden Road Appeal

The Council felt that they had no further information to add. They continue to believe (as set out in concerns expressed about the initial application) that it is inappropriate to increase the village housing stock when so many existing properties are unsold. Access from the site to the highway is also dangerous.

UTT/19/2457/OP Outline application with all matters reserved for the erection of two semi detached dwellings accessed from existing crossover.
Potash Farm Hempstead Road

The Council felt that this development is outside the village envelope and should therefore not receive permission.

19/208.1 Planning Results

UTT/19/1988/HHF Erection of a 2 meter timber close boarded fence
Cowlass Hall Farm Radwinter End **Granted**

UTT/19/1882/OP Outline permission for the demolition of garage building and construction of no.1 detached house with appearance, landscaping and scale reserved The Meads Roman Road

UTT/19/1883/HHF Replacement garage with new access The Meads Roman Road Radwinter CB10 2TF

19/209 Highways:

Speed Watch Training will take place on the 16th November 10 am at Radwinter Village Hall. The Clerk to contact Wimbish PC to see if they have the speed gun which is shared by both parishes.

19/210 Stocking Green update

No update

19/211 Reports from Councillors with matters affecting the village

No Reports

19/212 Neighbourhood Plan Update

Cllr Richardson explained he had got behind on the Plan, he will sort out a date for a further Steering Committee meeting.

19/213 Community Right to buy

No update

19/214 Footpath Map

The Clerk to send out the copy of the new Footpath Map

19/215 Welcome Pack

Cllrs agreed that the Welcome Pack should be put on the website, the Clerk has sent out a copy to Councillors to look at what needs updating before putting on the website.

19/216 Consultations

No Consultations

19/217 Village Improvement

Cllr Fitch still has one bench that needs installing.

19/218 Website

Closure of Essex info March 2020. Cllr Fitch is still trying to speak to ECC about the Closure, he's also trying to get in touch with UDC to see if they can help. The Clerk explained that Shalford had gone with a company which cost £700 and they transferred all the information. It was acknowledged that there would be on-going costs.

- 19/219 The Hedge between East View Close and Gillon Way
Concern had been expressed that the arrangement of the new boundary fences for properties on Gillon Way meant that householders on East View Close were unable to access space between their boundary and the new fence (for hedge cutting etc). Cllr Fitch and Cllr Richardson to look at the fence.

- 19/220 Remembrance Sunday
Cllr Duck will go to the Remembrance Service and lay a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council

- 19/221 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda
The Council Standing Orders and Financial Regulations are both under review and will be placed before a future meeting for approval.

- 19/222 Date of the next Meeting will be on 25th November
Finance meeting all Councillors to attend at 6.45 pm

- 19/223 Meeting Closed at 9.30pm

Signed.....

Dated.....