MINUTES of the Ordinary Meeting of Tolleshunt D'Arcy Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllrs Dorman, Munson, Scott

In the Chair: Cllr Smith

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

Also Present: District Councillor Thompson

4 Members of the Public

#### 1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

### 2. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllrs Barwick, Brown and Henderson.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest disclosed.

## 4. District Councillors

Cllr Thompson – no new information to report.

#### 5. Public Forum

The residents expressed concern regarding the area of amenity land in Festival Gardens which had been sold to the resident in Church Street.

A fence has been erected and an area had been cleared where they are proposing to put in a driveway to the rear of the property. Some large trees in the existing rear garden of the property had been removed.

**Action:** Parish Council to establish if the rear garden of the old Doctors Surgery is in the Conservation Area.

A resident reported that they had raised their concerns with Maldon District Council who advised this would be forwarded to the Corporate Fraud and Enforcement Team.

Cllr Thompson reported that she had also raised the concerns of the Parish with Maldon District Council who will be investigating further.

A resident also expressed concern regarding a black car that regularly parks on the bend of South Street near the shop. It is very dangerous for both other car users and pedestrians as it obstructs the view.

The resident was advised to take photographs and report to Essex Police via 101 or online.

#### 6. Minutes

## Minutes 28th January 2020

**Resolved**: that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020 be approved as a true record of the Meeting. Unanimously agreed. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

#### 7. Finance

## 7.1 Monthly Financial Report

The Financial Reports were presented to the Council.

Councillors received the following monthly Financial Reports:

Bank Reconciliation – a Closing balance of £27,904.76 as at 31st January 2020

Expenditure to date – Budget £30,159 – Actual £21,319

Income to date (including Precept (£20,530) £23,530 – Actual £24,037

Earmarked Funds – Closing Balance - £7,452.55

The Chairman signed the Reports.

### 7.2 Payments

Items for payment totalling £827.91 were presented for approval.

**Resolved:** to approve payments. Unanimously agreed.

## 8. Planning

**Planning Applications and Decisions** 

# **Planning Applications:**

Application No: FUL/MAL/20/00157 PP-08474837

**Proposal:** Application to carry out ground investigations, load test and associated works in connection with a proposed new Nuclear Power Station at Bradwell-on-Sea, together with the creation of two site compound areas and associated parking areas. **Location:** Land East Of Bradwell Power Station Downhall Beach Bradwell-On-Sea **Resolved:** Unanimously agreed to recommend refusal on this Application on the following grounds:

- Encroachment into the open countryside.
- Destruction of agricultural land which is a habitat for a number of species.
- Appeals: None received
- Planning Decisions: To note decisions made by Maldon District Council.
   TCA/MAL/19/01333 23 Tollesbury Road Approved
- Planning Appeals Decisions: None received.

# 9. Training

There were no requests for training.

#### 10. Tolleshunt D'Arcy Village Hall

As Cllr Barwick was not present at the Meeting there was no update.

## 11. Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Friday 27th March commencing at 7.30 pm.

The Chairman and the Clerk will prepare the presentation for the Annual Assembly. The format to be the same as in 2019.

Items to be included:

- Parish Council Overview
- Road Safety Initiatives
- Special Officers

### Further presentations from:

- Henry Smith Fund
- Village Hall AGM

### 12. Police/Maldon District Council – Community Protection Officers (CPOs)

#### 12.1 Police Reports

The Police Reports were received and noted.

### 12.2 Community Protection Officers (CPOs) Report

The Report for January was received and noted.

During the CPOs Patrols in January, a total of 8 drivers were captured with the TruCam for speeding.



# 12.3 Community Protection Officers (CPOs) Services 2020/21

**Resolved:** to continue with the services of the CPOs for 2 hours per month to deal with the following:

- TruCam
- Dog Fouling
- Littering
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Parking

#### 13. Administration

GDPR Data Protection Officer – The Clerk advised Maldon District Council were offering the services of their Data Protection officer for £150.00 per annum. Any additional work will cost £50 per hour. As instructed at the previous Council Meeting, the Clerk had agreed with MDC that Tolleshunt D'Arcy Parish Council will use the service being offered.

## 14. Representative Reports

### 14.1 Burial Ground

### 14.1.1 Update from Clirs Brown, Henderson and Scott

Cllr Scott reported that following the last meeting of the Parish Council, Cllrs Brown and Henderson, the Parish Clerk and himself had met with the applicant regarding the proposed memorial in the Burial Ground. The applicant provided additional information on the memorial and Members were happy to proceed with the proposal.

Cllr Dorman reported that during a recent visit to the Burial Ground that he noticed there was some dog fouling.

Action: to be monitored.

#### 14.1.2 Quotation for works in the Burial Ground

A quotation for the works in the Burial Ground was received and noted.

Action: Additional quotation to be obtained for consideration at the next meeting.

## 14.1.3 Regulations – Tolleshunt D'Arcy Burial Ground

**Resolved:** to adopt the revised Burial Ground Regulations to take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.

## 14.2 Recreation Ground

### 14.2.1 Update from Clirs Brown, Dorman and Munson

There were no issues to report.

#### 14.2.2 Monthly Play Equipment Inspection Report

The Monthly Inspection report dated 22/02/2020 was received and noted.

Cllr Dorman reported that he had replaced the latch on the gate.

### 14.3 Highway/Footpaths

#### 14.3.1 Update from Cllr Henderson

Cllr Henderson was not present at the meeting but has reported there is a large pothole passed Grouts Farm.

Action: Clerk to report to Essex County Council Highways.

### 14.3.2 Essex County Council Highways

The Essex County Council Highways Highlights January 2020 was received and noted.

### 14.4 Website / Facebook Updates

## 14.4.1 Website/Facebook

The Clerk advised that she continues to update the website and Facebook page regularly.



- 15. Community Concerns Information Exchange/Next Agenda Items
  There were no Community Concerns.
- Date of the Next Meeting
   The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on:
   Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 Full Council Meeting 7.30 pm

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 8.48 pm.

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