

2nd May 2017

Minutes of the meeting of Fingringhoe Parish Council held on Tuesday 2nd May 2017 following the AGM at The Village Hall, Chapel Road, Fingringhoe.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

In the Chair - Councillor Gerald Ketley

Councillors
Mike Clarke
Emma Dixon
Viviane Cathmoir
Ian Chamberlain
Jonathan Martin

Clerk Rosemary Harvey

There were three members of the public, Cllr Moore and Mr Arron Hunter present.

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Cranfield, Cllr Bentley, Cllr Davidson, the zone warden and Mr Canham.

2 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was noted that Cllr Cranfield has regrettably tendered her resignation as a councillor.

3. **OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

A member of the public wished to discuss the access to bridleway 7.

4. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

5. **MINUTES OF MEETING OF 4TH APRIL 2017**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th April 2017 had been circulated and were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

a) **Repairs to railings in Ferry Road**

The railings have still not been repaired.

b) **Bridleway 7 new gate and mirror on Chapel Road**

During discussion, it was agreed that due to the curve of the road, trimming back the hedge near the entrance to the bridleway will not improve visibility sufficiently. It was reported that there had previously been a mirror in the hedge opposite the junction but this was vandalized. It was agreed that Cllr Bentley's highways contact should be asked to view the location and confirm that a mirror was the best solution. The local residents were advised to contract the army for permission to install a mirror in the hedge. The residents were still very keen to have the hedge cut down shorter.

The Clerk had made enquiries and the new gate erected opening onto the bridleway does not require planning permission. Approval for a new opening onto the highway should be obtained from Highways but they did not appear very concerned about the issue.

c) **Cory grant application for a new gate at Recreation Ground**

The Clerk confirmed that the grant application has been submitted.

d) **Fly tipping incidents in village**

It was confirmed that the land off Furneaux Lane upon which the oil has been spilt does in fact belong to Essex County Council and Cllr Bentley has been informed.

e) Response to high speed Broadband proposal

The Clerk reported that four residents had expressed an interest in broadband. This is not a sufficient level of interest to cover the costs of service providers installing equipment for the service in the village. Cllr Martin suggested that 10/12 households are required before the provision of the service will become economical. Cllr Martin will contact the households who have expressed an interest.

7. PLANNING

171016 – 4 Pyefleet Close, proposed single storey rear extension to kitchen and sitting room.

There was no objection to this proposal.

171053 – 22 Frere Way, proposed alteration and extension to existing garage to create office area.

There was no objection to this proposal.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

New Highways Rangers process

A letter setting out the new process for instructing the highways rangers will be passed to Cllr Cathmoir for information.

9. ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

Cllr Bentley is still reported to be arranging the visit of the road safety officer. The question was raised why the school teachers park outside the school and not in the village hall car park.

10. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTSa) Accounts for payment:

The following accounts were passed for payment and approved.

	£
Essex Association of Local Councils (annual affiliation fee)	241.64
Ian Chamberlain (grounds maintenance)	150.00
Mrs R Harvey (printer cartridges)	33.49
Kendall Plus (Grass cut 1)	239.52
Mrs R A Harvey (May salary)	200.00
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	<u>50.00</u>
Total	£ 914.65

The Clerk's salary and amounts to Kendall Plus and HMRC were approved for payment by bank transfer.

12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION & NOTING

A list of general correspondence and circulars received was circulated. The correspondence box will be circulated around the councillors to read the contents.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th June 2017 at 7pm. (This date was subsequently altered to 30th May 2017)

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm