7th May 2019

Minutes of the meeting of Fingringhoe Parish Council held on Tuesday 7th May 2019 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 Ian Chamberlain Jonathan Martin Sharron Law

Clerk Rosemary Harvey

There were three members of the public present.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Bentley, Cllr Davidson and Mr Canham. Cllr Moore had left the meeting.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

3. <u>OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL</u> There were no matters any members of the public present wished to raise.

4. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. MINUTES OF MEETING OF 2nd April 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd April 2019 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) Further training on the defibrillator

The Clerk reported that the trainer was available during the week commencing 16th September 2019 to hold a further training session. The cost of the session for 12 people is listed as £400 but a small discount will be given on this. It was agreed that there would be interest in a second training session and that the Clerk should book this.

b) Dog waste bin

The zone warden has quoted £486 plus vat to provide and install a dog waste bin on the footpath near to Jaggers. It was agreed the Clerk should apply for funding from CIF to cover the cost of the bin.

c) Kerbing/posts at noticeboard and post box

The Clerk has sent an enquiry to highways asking whether permission is required to erect posts or a kerb on Chapel Road and whether there are any regulations regarding the placing of such structures beside the highway.

d) Repair to VAS sign Chapel Road

Cllr Dixon has emailed and phoned Highways and been informed that the supplier has been asked for a quote for repair. Highways have given a timescale of 4-6 weeks to carry out the repair.

e) Phone box repair

A quote has been received from Mr Neil Gordon to investigate the sound booth in the phone box. It is thought that the solar panel is no longer charging the battery. Mr Gordon has quoted £80 which was accepted.

f) White finger post repairs

The Chairman has asked Mr Adrian Watson to repair the two white finger post signs in the village. The post at the top of Haye Lane will require a new finger to 'Colchester'. The post opposite the Whalebone has been wrenched around and requires repair.

g) Play area fence replacement quote

A quote totalling £4,800 has been received from Adrian Watson to replace the play area fence using close board fencing with concrete posts and boards. Councillors thought that an alternative style of fencing might be more suitable and less expensive, as it would not be possible to see through that style of fence to check on children playing. Cllr Chamberlain will make enquiries with a contact.

h) Repairs to wooden swing legs

Adrian Watson is repairing the legs of the swing which have become rotten at the base causing the swing to be at risk of falling over.

7. PLANNING

191008 23 Frere Way – a single storey side and rear extension. There were no objections or comments on this proposal.

190970 37 Brook Hall Road – refurbished front porch, garage conversion and two single storey side extensions and modernisation throughout. There were no objections or comments on this proposal.

It was noted that the new entrance onto the highway at Greenacres, Abberton Road is being investigated by a planning officer. The roof of the garage at the site has been replaced and raised. The planning officer report is awaited.

8. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

Fingringhoe Road

A complaint from a resident concerning the condition of Fingringhoe Road and fly tipping has been passed to Cllr Bentley.

Affordable housing presentation by Laura Atkinson, RCCE.

This will be included on the agenda for the June meeting.

9. ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

The register of outstanding highways issues was reviewed during the meeting. Cllr Martin is not yet aware of when the village group will received their speed gun.

It was noted that the grass cutters had returned the following day and recut the grass areas in the village.

11. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

a) Accounts for payment:

The following accounts were passed for payment and approved.

Kendall Facility Management Ltd (grass cut 4th April)		259.58
Colchester Borough Council (annual payment for litter bins)		252.70
CALC (Annual subscription)		35.00
Gordon Property Services (investigate telephone sound booth)		45.00
Mrs R A Harvey (May salary)		210.00
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)		52.50
Total	£	854.78

The above payments were approved for payment by bank transfer except for the Colchester Association of Local Councils subscription which will be paid by cheque.

11. <u>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION & NOTING</u>

The correspondence box was circulated to councillors.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th June 2019 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm