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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council in the Duchy Barn on Monday 6th January 2020

20.001. Apologies for absence.

None

20.002. Declaration of Interest. Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary interests, and non-pecuniary interests not already declared.

Cllr Follows, non-pecuniary: item 20.007 Neighbours planning application

20.003. Minutes

The minutes of meeting dated 02.12.2019 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.

20.004. Update on items from last meeting, not reported separately and other updates and reports.

- **Website:** John has transferred everything onto the new site, which will run alongside the old one until the end of the month.

20.005. Have Your Say.

Resident- yellows lines have not been reinstated after the drainage work on Manningtree Road. Clerk to follow up.

Report from Cllr Nigel Chapman. Ward Councillor.

Local Plan enquiries are opening up next Monday for 2 weeks.

Cllr Chapman is in the process of arranging a meeting with various bodies* to discuss the mass of visitors we get during peak season. (*borough councils, district councils, parish councils, River Stour Trust, DSVV AONB etc)

Report from Cllr Anne Brown. Essex County Councillor.

No report.

20.006. Accounts.

- To receive accounts and agree payments.

Proposed: Cllr Beeton

Seconded: Cllr Follows

Agreed by all

20.007. Planning Advisory Group. Cllr Kevin Taylor.

To receive and agree recommendations on the following planning applications

192984. Thorne Roughets, Anchor Lane, Dedham CO7 6BX. Detached single garage, one and a half storey and single storey rear extensions, insertion of a new rear dormer window and remodelling of the 19th century extension, plus partial demolition. Resubmission of 191971

Recommendation: No objection

192994. Cartlodge, Hedgerows, Long Road East, Dedham Colchester CO7 6BS. Outline application for conversion of existing cartlodge to form new residential dwelling

Recommendation: Objection. Outside the village development boundary.

193056. The Ranche, Long Road West, Dedham Colchester CO7 6EH. Householder, proposed single storey rear extension front porch & extended driveway/turning head new materials to walls, roof, windows

Recommendation: No objection

Proposed: Cllr Taylor
Agreed by all (excluding AF on 192056)

20.008. Precept and Budget

To discuss the budget and resolve to set the precept for 2020/2021 at £42,068.
Report attached from Cllr Herbert/ Clerk. **

Proposed: Cllr Herbert
Seconded: Cllr Taylor
Agreed by all.

20.009. Lighting Project- The Drift

Cllr Beeton gave an introduction to the item, and review of the current position.

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Cllr Follows and Frost explained their reasoning for requesting the rescission, which is largely due to the time constraints of the much larger resurfacing project.

a)To receive a proposal from 2 councillors (Cllrs Follows and Frost), to resolve to rescind the resolution made on 2nd December 2019, item 165.19, stating, '...it was agreed to make provision for a budget of £6000 in principle, to carry out the specification design for The Drift resurfacing scheme, including the lighting element, which is to be a priority.' It is requested that this item be rescinded due to the timescales for the Drift surfacing project being inappropriate for the completion of the lighting scheme.

Proposed: Cllr Follows
Seconded: Cllr Frost
6 in favour, 2 against. Carried.

b)To receive a design proposal from a Lighting and Electrical engineer and to review each element and agree, if appropriate. Once agreed, to circulate as the design specification and seek quotes.

Cllr Follows read the proposed specification, based on DPC's original spec which came as a result of the consultation- with amendment/ recommendations made by the Lighting Engineer submitting the design.

Cllr Taylor- raised issues with the original spec, and the new proposed spec, which is not precisely the same. An amended Certificate of Lawfulness will be needed to reflect an increase in the number of lights proposed.

Councillors debated the details of the specification, with particular reference to the use or not of PIR/infra-red sensors; whether the use of this specification of a potential contractor is appropriate; whether a conservation application should be made; the need for an application for a revised certificate of lawfulness; and the desire to complete the project before the end of the council term.

Following a lengthy debate, it was resolved to agree the specification as set out, to seek quotes, and to make a further application for a Certificate of Lawfulness.

4 in favour
4 against.
Chairman's casting vote.
Agreed. Carried.

Clerk will circulate the quotes and reapply for a certificate of lawfulness.

c)In light of the decision above it was resolved to review the broader project for resurfacing Royal Square and The Drift plus associated costs and so to remove the lighting element. This will be discussed with costings under a closed session at the February meeting.

20.010. 2020 Election of New Parish Council

To agree a date for existing councillors to meet with potential new councillors; and to agree the entry of a suitable item publicising the event in the parish magazine.

It was agreed to hold a Saturday coffee morning. Provisionally 7th March 10-12. Clerk to book hall and ask when the nomination papers will be out.

20.011. Tea and Tablets

It was resolved to hold a further tea and tablets session on 6th February 2pm-4pm, and make provision for a budget of £30.00.

Proposed: Cllr Meakin

Seconded: Cllr Taylor

Agreed by all

20.012. Correspondence. Clerk**20.013. Matters of continuing reference/ next meeting**

- **Highways Devolution.**
- **Local list**
- **Nurture Dogs**
- **BT manhole leaking again. Clerk to action.**
- **Ditch on Coles Oak Lane. Clerk to action**

Date and Time of the next meeting. Parish Council Meeting, Monday 3rd February 2020, 7.30pm Duchy Barn

Forthcoming events

Tea and tablets 6th February 2pm-4pm, Duchy Barn.

** reports available on the website or from the clerk