

HATFIELD PEVEREL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2019
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

Those present: Cllr M Weale (Chairman)
Cllr C Dervish
Cllr T Munt
Cllr D Broddle
Cllr C Livermore
Cllr M Renow
Cllr M Elliston
Cllr D Wallace
Cllr K Gallifant
District Cllr D Bebb
6 members of the public
Clerk

19/138 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Shaw.

19/139 Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 7th and 24th October were signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

19/140 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Wallace in handyman matters.

19/141 Braintree District Councillor Update

District Councillors Bebb and Dervish raised the following:

- Local Plan – over 1000 responses which are being sifted by the inspector who will reconvene on 14th January 2020.
- Braintree District Council newsletter.
- Manor Street work starting in January – the contract was awarded to Kier.
- Great Notley Innovation Park – looking to bring high quality jobs.
- Steering Committee formed to create community hub in Witham and will be available to Hatfield Peverel residents.
- Braintree District Council received 30 awards at the recent Essex Playing Fields Association Awards.
- There are still funds from the District Councillor grants available.
- Universal Garage – neglected. Can the Parish Council consider a letter to the owners?
- A12 consultation. Junctions 20A and 20B to be removed. Cllr Bebb wrote to Highways England for further details. Access to the A12 will be maintained.

- A12 consultation events going on in November – residents encouraged to attend. Cllr Bebb recommended that the Parish Council writes to Highways England to express concern.
- Maldon Road/The Street junction concerns. Highways England has no plans to improve the junction.

19/142 Neighbourhood Watch Update

The previous NW representative for Hatfield Peverel has had to step down due to other commitments. The Clerk read a report from Clive Stewart, Chairman of Braintree District NW Steering Group.

19/143 Public Participation

Two members of the public raised the following:

- New kissing gates installed on diagonal path from Scouts hut to replace the old styles.
- Footpath 29 Willowdene Nursing Home to Latneys: portion is inaccessible. Reported on Essex Highways reporting tool. The proposed deviation has not been progressed in 12½ years, but has now been chased and the matter should be resolved at the start of next year.
- Speed through the village concerns, particularly on the hill to and from the A12 slip road. The Chairman of the Traffic Advisory Group welcomes constructive suggestions to help; the group looked at chicanes, but this was not approved by Essex Highways. The PC has SIDs in place. Cllr Dervish urged residents to contact Essex Highways to support the Parish Council and Braintree District Council in their efforts.
- Concerns regarding lighting in the village.
- Zebra crossings are faded with poor lighting. The Chairman of the Traffic Advisory Group confirmed that Essex Highways inspected the one close to Hadfelda Square on the request of the group, but found it to be in order.
- Access to the Blue Strawberry, where people back out.
- Bury Lane/Sorrells Field – lorries being unloaded on the road.

Cllr Livermore joined the meeting during item 19/143.

19/144 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's Report was received and noted.

19/145 Burial Ground

The Clerk reported the following:

An interment has taken place in plot 663.

An application to erect a memorial on plot 475C has been approved.

Total fees for October: £705

19/146 Planning

The following applications were considered:

19/01803/FUL – Demolition of existing farm building and 4 houses and erection of 50 dwellings at Hatfield Bury Farm, Bury Lane. NO COMMENT

19/01762/HH – Proposed single storey front extension, new pitched roof to garage and alterations to fenestration at 12 Beech Rise. NO COMMENT

19/01746/DAC – Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 13 of approval 18/00851/FUL at the Wheatsheaf, The Green. NO COMMENT

19/01786/VAR – Application for a variation of condition 29 of permission 18/01650/VAR at Arla Dairy, Station Road. NO COMMENT

19/01765/FUL – Erection of a replacement store building following fire damage at Trees Farm, Spring Lane. NO COMMENT

19/01849/HH – Single storey rear extension at 69 Priory Farm Road. NO COMMENT

19/147 Finance

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Parish Council adopt the updated Financial Regulations previously circulated.

Cllr Munt volunteered to check and sign the Q2 bank reconciliations.

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Parish Council will work towards the Foundation level of the Local Council Award Scheme.

19/148 Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

Cllr Renow provided an update on the progress of the NDP. The referendum will happen on the 28th November.

19/149 Footpaths

On 16th October, a volunteer working party from Friends of the Flitch Way removed two wooden stiles on the path running diagonally across-field from the Scout and Guide car park towards Sportmans Lane and replaced them with self-closing metal kissing-gates. The Clerk read out a statement placing on record appreciation for the excellent service that the parish has received from the Friends of the Flitch Way, when maintenance and improvement jobs on some footpaths have been needed. Thanks to Peter Lane and his team for a thoroughly professional job.

19/150 Traffic

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Parish Council will not request that Braintree District Council cross hatch the area of the Hadfelda Square car park where the recycling bins are currently situated.

The update on the A12 widening scheme was discussed under item 19/141. Cllr Dervish encouraged residents to attend the public participation sessions.

19/151 Environment

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Parish Council accept the quote of £390 plus VAT for the parts enabling the swings to be refurbished.

Cllr Wallace abstained.

The motion to accept the quote to replace the bin by the junior play equipment was deferred to enable the Clerk to find out if a discount can be sought for 2 or 3 bins purchased at the same time.

19/152 Working Safely Training

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Parish Council will offer online IOSH Working Safely training to the litter picking staff primarily, at a cost of £62-65 plus VAT per person, plus overtime if necessary.

19/153 Library

Due to a lack of available Parish Councillors, a Libraries Working Party could not be created.

19/154 Accounts for Payment

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the October 2019 accounts for payment be approved:

Fenland Leisure Products	£36.00
Essex Association of Local Councils (training)	£156.00
Kempco Ltd	£848.00
Wave (Anglian Water)	£451.75
NAL Ltd	£542.78
HMRC	£283.00
Greenfields	£48.48
The Maid Service	£38.00
Staff costs	£1,800.36
Plusnet	£32.89
Hatfield Peverel Community Association	£190.00
Lloyds Bank (office expenses)	£219.44
DW Maintenance	£1,335.00
Royal British Legion	£18.00

Cllr Wallace abstained.

19/155 General Announcements

Cllrs Weale, Dervish, Gallifant, Wallace and Elliston will be attending the Remembrance Sunday service. Cllrs Weale and Elliston will be reading.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 2nd December 2019