

**MINUTES OF THE HATFIELD PEVEREL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2022
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

Those present:

Cllr M Weale (Chairman)
Cllr C Dervish
Cllr M Renow
Cllr D Wallace
Cllr L Shaw
Cllr H Knightbridge
Cllr D Broddle
Cllr M Elliston
Cllr T Munt
Cllr K Gallifant
Clerk
14 members of the public

21/167 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Greaves.

21/168 Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th January 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

21/169 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Wallace in handyman matters.
Councillor Munt in item 21/183.

21/170 Essex County Councillor Update

Councillor Louis gave an update on the following:

- Armed Forces champion for Essex County Council. Encouraging organisations to sign up to the Armed Forces Covenant in support for the armed forces community.
- Introduced Councillor Lee Scott, Cabinet Member for Highways.

Councillor Lee Scott gave an update on the following Highways matters:

- Brief history of his public offices.
- Highways: if something is dangerous, it will be fixed.
- The following works raised have been resolved: sunken drain by village hall; vegetation obscuring 30mph sign; Maldon Road sinkhole; Ulting Road/Nounsley Road junction finger post.
- The following works raised are either in progress or will be completed by Spring 2022: Terling Hall Road sunken surface; Sportsman's Lane gully cleaning; Bury Lane/The Street missing signs; Church Road tree; Church Road/Maldon Road junction defective surface; Maldon Road defective surface, drain covers and subsiding trenches; The Street/Hadfelda Square car park junction defective road surface; Glebefield Road broken bollard.
- When matters raised are on private land, ECC enforcement contact the responsible landowner.

21/171 Braintree District Councillor Update

Councillor Dervish gave an update on the following:

- Budget being discussed on 7th February.
- District Councillor Community Grant reduction less than previously expected.

- Cycle racks will be provided as part of the cycle strategy.
- Section 106 – White Paper with Central Government to review the process.

21/172 Public Participation

Four members of the public raised the following:

- Concerns surrounding planning application 21/03696/FUL.
- Methodist Church update.
- Request for memorial bench at the Stonepath Meadow development.

21/173 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's Report was received without comment. The resignation of Councillor Ian Howlett was noted.

21/174 Burial Ground

An application for a memorial on plot 476C has been approved.

An application for an additional memorial tablet on plot 218 has been approved.

Fees received for January : £140.

21/175 Planning

The following applications were considered:

21/03696/FUL – Erection of 1x4 bed and 5x5 bed two-storey detached houses with associated access on land north of Butlers, Ulting Road, Hatfield Peverel. **Not supported.**

22/00002/VAR – Variation of condition 2 'Approved Plans' of permission 21/00899/FUL at Ashgrove, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel. **No comment.**

21/03525/HH – Two-storey front and single-storey side extensions and dormer window roof extensions to side roof slopes at Fieldfare, Manor Road, Hatfield Peverel. **No comment.**

22/00131/HH – Part single, part two-storey side, front and rear extensions at 43 New Road, Hatfield Peverel. **No comment.**

22/00094/TPO - Tree works at Greyhounds, The Street, Hatfield Peverel. **Tree Warden's comments to be submitted.**

22/00170/TPO – Tree works at Middlefield, Ulting Road, Hatfield Peverel. **Not supported – Tree Warden's comments to be submitted.**

21/176 Finance and General Purposes

The January budget update was received without comment.

It was resolved that the Parish Council to rent the small office at the village hall for use as a storage unit at a cost of £10 per week, as an alternative to renting the Greenfields garage.

21/177 Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

An update on the NDP Review was received.

It was resolved that the NDP committee members to prepare and submit a response on behalf of the Parish Council as statutory consultee to the proposed review of the Maldon District Council Local Plan, in conjunction with the Traffic Advisory Group.

21/178 Heritage

An updated copy of the emerging Local Heritage List and an update on the Methodist Church was received. **It was resolved that** the Heritage Warden is permitted to make contact with custodians and homeowners and results will be published on the Parish Council's website and in the library.

21/179 Environment

It was resolved that the Parish Council to remove the paintings that have been fixed to its bus shelters (in lieu of agreement of 21/181), store the paintings, and erect signage requesting that permission is sought from the Council to erect paintings/signs on bus shelters.

21/180 Section 106 Funds

An update on Section 106 funds and project progress was received.

21/181 Traffic

It was resolved that the Parish Council to seek bids for all five of its bus shelters to be given 1-2 coats (as necessary) of appropriate preservative before Autumn 2022. The Traffic Advisory Group to write the specification.

21/182 Keith Bigden Memorial Ground

An update on KBMG matters was received.

21/183 Allotments

It was resolved that the Parish Council to pay the legal fees associated with the negotiation of the allotment land lease, at a cost of £1500 + VAT for the landowner's fees and £750-£900 + VAT for the Parish Council's fees.

21/184 Streetlighting

It was resolved that the Parish Council to approve the installation of a solar powered streetlight in Remembrance Avenue opposite to the location of the damaged column, subject to a Highways licence being granted.

21/185 Queen's Jubilee

It was resolved that the Parish Council to purchase and install a bench to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Party in the Park will be held on Saturday 4th June as part of the Jubilee celebrations. Street parties are not discouraged, but are not the responsibility of the Parish Council.

21/186 Accounts for Payment

It was resolved that the accounts for payment for January 2022 be approved as follows:

Plusnet	£33.53
Braintree District Council	£143.00
Staff costs	£3,071.62
DW Maintenance	£2,405.00
Hatfield Peverel Community Association	£180.00
The Maid Service	£38.00
Greenfields	£46.60
Genealogy Supplies Ltd	£245.00
SSE Southern Electric	£451.50
Mrs J Rowland (History Group expenses)	£22.80
Mrs M Freeman (History Group expenses)	£69.99
Lloyds Bank (office expenses)	£301.23
Blackwater Tree Specialists	£2,808.00
Wellers Hedleys LLP	£1,800.00
Essex Association of Local Councils	£60.00
Mobile Thrones Ltd	£231.00
Japanese Knotweed Ltd	£504.00
Traffic Technology Limited	£774.00

Councillor Wallace abstained

21/187 General Announcements

The following matters were raised:

- Braintree District Council's Collection Fund Surplus this year will not be shared with Parish and Town Councils (subject to formal budget approval).

The meeting closed at 9.50pm
The next meeting will be held on Monday 7th March 2022