

## ABBERTON AND LANGENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

### COUNCIL MEETING – 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

A meeting of the Council took place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm, at the Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe

Cllrs Present     Simon Dougherty – Chair  
                         Alan Frost – Vice Chair  
                         Jonathan Andrews  
                         Doug Kibblewhite  
                         James Lambert  
                         Rob Lenart  
                         Malcolm Mattack  
                         Margaret Palmer-Slatter  
                         Steve Wormell

Also in attendance – Simon Cairns and Nadine Calder, CBC Planning Department, CBC Cllr Davidson, 4 members of public and Clerk

Prior to the start of the meeting, Simon Cairns and Nadine Calder gave a presentation on the procedures for applying S106 funding to projects within the parishes. They explained that new rulings meant that S106 could only be sought from developers if it could be proven that this would mitigate deficiencies within the community and rectify any additional burdens on the existing infrastructure. Parishes are encouraged to consider and submit any projects requiring funding that could then be submitted to the developer for consideration. It was further stressed that the developer is not obliged to accept the first project put forward so it was important to keep the list up to date and consider projects that would be attractive to the developer.

Cllr Dougherty thanked the CBC Officers for their clear presentation and for answering questions from Cllrs.

045/22	Apologies for absence – ECC Cllr Bentley	
046/22	Announcements – none	
047/22	Public Questions – two members of the public asked supplementary questions concerning the S106 presentation. Cllr Kibblewhite advised that a resident had approached him concerning the installation of a bus shelter on the triangle. It was noted that this suggestion had been explored previously and this was not a suitable location.	
048/22	Declarations of interest Cllrs Kibblewhite and Mattack declared a non pecuniary interest in item 059/22 and 060/22 as Cllr Kibblewhite is a School Governor and Cllr Mattack's wife is Chair of School Governors	

049/22	<p>Reports form County and Borough Councillors. CBC Cllr Davidson reported that following the recent elections a new council had been formed and that Cllr King was now Leader of the Council. Cllr Davidson was no longer a member of the Planning Committee</p>	
050/22	<p>Minutes of AGM – 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022 The minutes as previously circulated were agreed as a correct record and signed by Cllr Dougherty. Proposed by Cllr Kibblewhite and seconded by Cllr Wormell</p>	
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052/22	<p>Matters arising from previous meeting</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Quotes for tree for village green – Cllr Wormell had received some quotes for various different trees. It was agreed that this information would be circulated and a decision on which tree to purchase be made at the next meeting</li> <li>2. To consider repairs to seats on triangle – it was agreed that the bench seats needed some work and Cllr Frost will make enquiries locally to seek a quote</li> </ol>	
053/22	<p>Planning applications and Decisions 221318 – Lainston, Layer Road – proposed single storey rear and side extensions – no objection 221376 – Sanquest, Langenhoe Hall Lane – single storey rear extension – no objection</p> <p>Decisions Approval 220821 – 3 Edward Marke Drive</p>	
054/22	<p>Correspondence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invitation to participate in ECC Winter Salt Bag Scheme – it was agreed that the parish currently holds enough salt for the coming winter</li> <li>2. Wivenhoe Town Council – invitation to Green Spaces Open Evening – noted</li> <li>3. CBC – Notification of publication of Inspectors Report, Colchester Local Plan – noted</li> <li>4. Complaint from resident concerning removal of fence from Village Green – Cllr Wormell had been in contact with the resident and resolved the matter</li> </ol>	

055/22	<p>Finance and Accounts – June 2022</p> <p>The following accounts were approved for payment, schedule 003/22 and signed by Cllrs Dougherty and Frost</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>A&amp;J Lighting – monthly maintenance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£60.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Andrews – computer update</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£37.98</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Knight – grass cutting X2</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£320.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M Palmer-Slatter – plants and compost</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£139.93</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staff costs</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£323.75</td> </tr> </table>	A&J Lighting – monthly maintenance	£60.90	J Andrews – computer update	£37.98	J Knight – grass cutting X2	£320.00	M Palmer-Slatter – plants and compost	£139.93	Staff costs	£323.75	
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056/22	<p>Bank Reconciliation – April and May 2022</p> <p>Cllr Mattack had agreed the reconciliations</p>											
057/22	<p>End of Year Accounts 2021/22 – to note report from Internal Auditor</p> <p>The report had been previously circulated and was accepted. Proposed by Cllr Kibblewhite and seconded by Cllr Lenart</p>											
058/22	<p>End of Year Accounts 2021/22</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To approve the Annual Governance Statement – Section 1 – Proposed by Cllr Lenart and seconded by Cllr Wormell</li> <li>2. To approve the Accounting Statements – Section 2 – proposed by Cllr Lenart and seconded by Cllr Wormell</li> <li>3. To approve and sign the Certificate of Exemption – proposed by Cllr Lenart and seconded by Cllr Wormell</li> </ol>	<p>Action Clerk to forward Certificate of Exemption to external auditor and upload to website</p>										
059/22	<p>Proposed planning application – Peldon Road</p> <p>Cllrs Dougherty, Mattack, Lambert and Kibblewhite met with Nadine Calder – CBC Planning Officer and a representative from ECC Highways on site. The meeting was arranged to discuss the proposal to place a parking area on the development on the west side of Peldon Road, when originally it had been indicated this would be on the east side of the road, avoiding the need for pedestrians to cross the road to access the school grounds. It was reported that the school was not supportive of an entrance being established from a car parking area on the east side of the road as they would have to provide staff to monitor the entrance. The Headteacher was prepared to consider establishing a parking area within the school grounds providing there were no financial implications on the school. This would require a transfer of funding and would need the approval of ECC. Cllr Dougherty has approached ECC Cllr Bentley for his assistance in this matter and Karen Syrett, CBC Lead Officer for Planning and Place Strategy had met with Cllr Dougherty and agreed to consider this proposal. Subsequently CBC Cllr Davidson had met with Ms Syrett who had spoken to the developer and obtained agreement to put funds into improvements within the school grounds. It had also been agreed that the Parish Council would be included in future discussions with the developer concerned this application. Cllr Dougherty asked for</p>											

	<p>approval of the council to continue a dialogue with CBC and Mersea Homes on behalf of the council. Cllr Lambert proposed and Cllr Wormell seconded – all agreed. Cllr Dougherty will be representing the Parish Council at the CBC Planning Cttee meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> June. It was noted that the representative from ECC Highways had stated that whilst the highway implications for the development were not perfect, there was actually nothing that ECC could object to. It was thought unlikely that any proposal to reduce the speed limit on Peldon Road would make any difference as it could not be enforced.</p>	
060/22	<p>Bracken Way estate – follow up meeting with NEPP Cllrs Kibblewhite and Mattack had met with Shane Taylor again. It has been agreed that the yellow zig zag lines would be in place in time for the start of the September term and all existing entrance markings would be repainted.</p>	<p>Action – Cllrs to monitor the line installation and report back in September</p>
061/22	<p>S106 – to consider projects to be submitted for funding under Parks and Recreation budget It was agreed to submit the following projects –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New notice board for Village Hall entrance - £1200</li> <li>• 2 x picnic tables for Village Green - £1600</li> <li>• Surface repairs under adult gym equipment - £15000-£20000</li> </ul>	
062/22	<p>Representatives Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Footpath and tree warden – Cllr Mattack had contacted the ECC PROW Officer concerning the overgrown vegetation, but it is not possible to bring forward the cutting schedule</li> <li>2. Abberton and Langenhoe Community Association – Cllr Dougherty thanked all the volunteers who had worked so hard to produce a fabulous Jubilee weekend of events for the community. Thanks also to Alan and Cindy Frost for their excellent display on the Village Green. It was reported that the recent Art Exhibition had been a great success and would be repeated next year.</li> <li>3. Edward Marke Trust – nothing to report</li> <li>4. Church matters – nothing to report</li> <li>5. Grass cutting – regular cuts are now being done</li> <li>6. Neighbourhood Watch – next meeting 13<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>7. Youth Liaison – nothing to report</li> <li>8. Finance Working Party – nothing to report</li> <li>9. Property Maintenance – nothing to report</li> <li>10. CALC – next meeting 9<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>11. Speedwatch – sessions had been held twice during morning school drop off times and a total of 42 vehicles had been recorded as exceeding 36 mph. 2</li> </ol>	

	vehicles were reported for having no MOT and 1 vehicle for no tax. 12. Social media and Newsletter – deadline for next newsletter is 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 13. Highway Issues – nothing to report	
063/22	Date of next meeting – 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.40pm