

**Minutes of Meeting of Earls Colne Parish Council**  
**held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Mrs. M. Barrett, Mr. J. Bendall, Mr. T. Calton, Mr. P. Clarry, Mr. R. Curtis, Mrs. J. Meleschko, Mrs. J. Parish, Mr. I. Sparks, Mrs. N. Spelling and Mr. H. Street.

Mrs. A. Emerson was present in her capacity as Clerk, together with District Cllr. G. Spray.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr. Mr. I. Morton-Smith, District Cllr. C. Siddall and County Cllr. J. Beavis.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** none
3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:**  
1 resident attended the meeting to raise concerns re temporary traffic lights and highways works – advised to contact ECC.
4. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING:** The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018 were approved and signed as a true record. An amendment was made to the minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018.
5. **CLERK'S REPORT:** Report provided.
  - Clerk advised feedback on Open Spaces Plan due by 4<sup>th</sup> January.
  - The following items will be included on the agenda of the January Parish Council Meeting: Allotments, Christmas Village Event Review and the Library Consultation.
  - Clerk following up on installation of solar panels at Village Hall.
6. **PLANNING:**
  - a) Decisions reached by Braintree District Council as follows:-

Application No.	Description	Location	Decision
18/00322/TPO	T1 Oak – overhanging screens on site, need access for crane. Trees on both sides of the access track up to 5 metres to site approx. 360 metres to allow access for crane	Earls Colne Sewage Treatment Works	Permission / Approval not required
18/02027/DAC	Application for approvals of details reserved by condition 3 of planning permission 18/01312/FUL	15 Park Lane	Application Permitted
18/00287/TPO	Notice of intent to carry out works to tree protected by Tree Preservation Order 40/00 – Reduce Oak tree back to previous cut points	20 Morleys Road	Application Refused
18/01861/LBC	Replacement of hall ceiling and cornice detailing due to existing being unsafe	Colne House, Station Road	Application Permitted
18/01837/DAC	Application for approval of details reserved by condition 3 of approved application 15/01569/LBC	Nightingale Hall Barn, Nightingale Hall Road	Application Permitted
18/01791/FUL	Erection of agricultural building	Land Adjacent Stonebridge House, Halstead Road	Application Permitted
18/00254/TPOCON	Notice of intent to carry out works to tree in a	Earls Colne Primary	Application

	conservation area – Beech (T1) – reduce crown by 3-4 metres to all aspects and crown thin by 10%. The tree has a large fruiting body believed to be Ganoderma austral which has caused hollowness within the main stem, revealed by a recent PiCUS Sonic Tomography survey.	School, Park Lane	Permitted
18/01624/FUL	Proposed two storey side, rear and part single storey and rear wrap around extension with pitched roofs over	Gu Brath, Coggeshall Road	Application Refused
18/01396/DAC	Erection of replacement barn	1 Church Hill	Part Granted, Part Refused
18/00871/FUL	Conversion of existing barn dwelling to 2x3 bedroom dwellings and porch extensions and creation of 1 x 4 bedroom detached dwelling	The Farm, Colne Green Farm, Halstead Road	Application Permitted

b) Current Applications were reviewed by the Parish Council as follows:-

<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Parish Council Decision</b>
18/00344/TPOCON	Notice of intent to carry out works to tree in a Conservation Area – Fell Silver Birch tree	4 Squires Court, High Street	No objection
18/02142/FUL	Erection of stable block comprising 2 stables and hay store with integral tack room. Change of use of 1.3 acres of agricultural land to equestrian and erection of 3 bay cart lodge style garage	The Cart Lodge, Coggeshall Road	No objection, but restrictions on use of upper floor
18/00336/TPOCON	Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area – take limbs off and reshape large Oak tree by 9th green and reshape and dead wood another Oak on 10th hole	Colne Valley Golf Club, Station Road	No objection
18/02115/OUT	Construction of a single storey dwelling	Pudsies Paddock, Station Road	Objection
18/00325/TPO	Notice of intent to carry our works to trees protected by Tree Preservation Order 19/00 – Carry out works to 2 Lime trees, lift crown to 4 metres on both trees, cut back 2 metres from the nearby garage structure, remove all mistletoe and remove all dead wood	Connaught House, 19a Coggeshall Road	No objection, but tree line to be kept consistent throughout road

Cllrs. I. Sparks, H. Street, R. Curtis and J. Bendall to prepare objection documentation for 18/02115/OUT. Clerk to ensure Colne Engaine Parish Council is aware of application.

c) Planning Committee Meeting –18/00214/OUT Land Rear of Tey Road. No date has been agreed as yet. Planning officers considering letter sent from Tey Road Group. Clerk to forward copy to members.

- d) CALA site – Cllr. Spray received an enquiry from a resident at Colne House re the access to Colne House whilst work is underway on the road into the new development. Planning Officer responsible for the development will be making a site visit.
- e) Re-consultation on 17/01157/OUT Land at the Airfield. Change has been proposed to S106 agreement. Deadline has been extended so that this can be discussed at next Parish Council Meeting. Clerk to obtain further information from Planning Officer.
- f) Cllr. I. Sparks will be responsible for planning matters to be presented at next Parish Council Meeting.
- 7. **MEMBER’S REPORTS:** none
- 8. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:** Cllr. T. Calton provided an update on the NP. Members voted unanimously to move forward with the Neighbourhood Plan and it was agreed that Cllr. N. Spelling would join the Parish Council Sub Committee for the Neighbourhood Plan. The Subcommittee will meet early January to discuss next steps.
- 9. **COMMUNITY WORKER:** No matters reported.
- 10. **ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS:**
  - a) Highways Devolution Pilot Scheme. Members voted in favour of joining the Pilot Scheme. Clerk to confirm to EALC.
- 11. **CAR PARK AND PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:** No matters reported.
- 12. **BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS:** No matters reported.
- 13. **VILLAGE HALL:** No matters reported.
- 14. **HEALTH AND SAFETY:** No matters reported.
- 15. **FINANCE:**
  - a) Members approved the budget for 2019/20 and the Precept Form was signed by Chairman and Clerk.
  - b) Members approved the payment of invoices for December and reviewed the Actual/Forecast figures for the year.

Meeting closed at 8.28pm

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Chairman

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Date