



## MINUTES OF ALTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2010

**Present:**

Councillors P Davies (Chairman), P Burgess, B Noye, M Bassenger, Mrs M Winter and Mrs M Davies

**In Attendance:**

Michelle Cheatle (Clerk), District Councillor Tony Cussen and 6 members of the public.

**10/210 Apologies for absence**

None

**10/211 Minutes of Meetings**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> November 2010, having been previously circulated were agreed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs M Davies and seconded by Cllr Mrs S Winter, all in favour. The minutes of Extra Ordinary meeting 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010, having been previously circulated were agreed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Winter and seconded by Cllr B Noye, all in favour. The Chairman signed them as a true record.

**10/212 Declaration of Interests**

Cllr B Noye declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 10/219

**10/213 Public Forum with respect to items on the Agenda**

None

**10/214 Transport Report**

Mrs Benjafield provided a detailed report which was read by the Chairman. It included details of the continuing campaign for the return of the 31X bus, ECC has decided to retain the 9.00am start time on its concessionary passes and the new train timetable is available. The council commended Mrs Benjafield for her sterling work.

**10/215 District Councillors Report**

Maldon District Council will advise regarding an extended notification date for the pre cept to allow councils to discuss which, if any, of the functions provided by Maldon District Council it may wish to assume once the budget cuts have been announced. District Councillor Cussen has been in contact with the planning department regarding the council concerns over the differing response dates on planning notifications and is waiting for a response.

**10/216 Clerks Report**

Clerk to look into details of the Queen Elizabeth II Field Challenge and report back. A petition form has been received from Southminster Parish Council regarding the closure of the Southminster branch of Barclays Bank, details to be given to AVN

**10/217 Finance**

10/217.01 To advise members of the following receipts, automated payments and to approve the cheques for payment and signing:

£222.07	Mrs M Cheatle – Clerks wages to 15 <sup>th</sup> December
£22.56	Mrs M Davies – cost of purchase wine, soft drinks and mince pies for meeting
£13.14	Mr P Davies – decorating sundries for pavilion

10/217.02 Finance report proposed by Cllr P Davies and seconded by Cllr B Noye, all in favour  
There was some discussion regarding the accountability and the presentation of the accounts. It was agreed to continue managing and presenting the accounts as per the current system. Proposed by Cllr P Davies and seconded by Cllr B Noye, 5 in favour and 1 against.

**10/218 Health Report**

Cllr Mrs M Davies gave a summary of the NHS Mid Essex PCT meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> November 2010. Details of the press release regarding Summary Care Records were available, Savages Pharmacy in Burnham are offering a free delivery service for prescriptions for individuals who fall within certain criteria and leaflets detailing the new layout of Broomfield Hospital are available

### 10/219 Council response to communication received from Althorne Community Together ("ACT") regarding ACT Action Plan

Cllr B Noye left the meeting. After some discussion it was agreed that the councils response would be as detailed in the proposed response drafted by Cllr P Davies, along with a letter stating that that the council had discussed and agreed, at an Extra Ordinary meeting, its response to the Action Plan and, as it stands by that response would not be willing to enter into further correspondence on the matter. Proposed by Cllr P Davies and seconded by Cllr Mrs S Winter, 4 in favour and 1 against. Clerk to send letter to ACT.

### 10/220 Planning

10/220.01 Applications advised by Maldon District Council

*Week Ending 19<sup>th</sup> November 2010*

HOUSE/MAL/10/00922 – Erection of wooden storage shed  
Restawyle, Fambridge Road, Althorne.

10/220.02 Decisions advised by Maldon District Council

*Week Ending 19<sup>th</sup> November 2010*

HOUSE/MLA/10/00733 – Proposed extension of residential mobile home  
Creeksea View, Bridgemarsh Lane, Althorne. REFUSE

10/220.03 Responses made by Althorne Parish Council

HOUSE/MAL/10/00922 – Erection of wooden storage shed  
Restawyle, Fambridge Road, Althorne

Althorne Parish Council object to this application as it believes the size of the development will have a detrimental impact on the surrounding area. The council are also concerned regarding the future intentions of the applicant considering the number of proposed parking spaces.

10/220.04 Applications requiring response from Althorne Parish Council

None

### 10/221 Highways and Paths

Jackie Roerig at ECC Highways has been notified regarding lack of kerb by Station Road and the poor condition of the road by The Endway. Highways Rangers are to bear the expense of rotating the SID, work on Footpath 12 has been completed although there may be a safety issue along the sea wall and it was agreed to defer a discussion regarding the condition of the hedge along the road from Mansion House towards Burnham to the next meeting. There was a discussion regarding the responsibility of clearing ice and snow, more details of responsibilities are available on the ECC website.

### 10/222 Recreation Ground

10/222.01 After some discussion it was agreed to purchase the sign for the recreation ground detailing the footpath map at a cost of £965.00 including installation. Proposed by Cllr P Davies and seconded by Cllr B Noye, all in favour. Cllr P Davies will contact supplier

10/197.02 Work has commenced on new play area, security fencing will be in place until the grass matting is installed. Work should commence on the skate park in January, weather permitting. Community Payback are decorating the Pavilion, Cllr P Burgess or Cllr Mrs S Winter will be available to let them into the pavilion next Wednesday. There was an accident along Southminster Road resulting in some possible damage to the recreation ground hedge, extent of damage to be determined by Cllr P Davies and, if necessary the driver will be contacted regarding reinstatement.

### 10/223 Neighbourhood Action Panels

10/223.01 At the last meeting the following was discussed – a mini crime wave around North Fambridge, continuing speeds checks along Summerhill, dog fouling on Recreation Ground. For a cost of £200.00 per year for training and equipment, 6 people can be trained to carry out speed checks (can combine with another village). Cllr Mrs M Davies asked if the notices from the NAP website detailing the issues raised and actions could be put on village noticeboard.

10/223.02 Issues to be put forward will be discussed at the next meeting.

### 10/224 Reports from Meetings and Events attended

Cllr P Davies: NAPs

Cllr Mrs M Davies: NAPs

Cllr Mrs M Winter: LCLC regarding decommissioning at Bradwell – expected to be fully decommissioned by 2027, hoped to be earlier in 2015, small number of employees will be maintained for 80 to 100 years to ensure site safety, no waste is to be imported onto site for storage

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Signed by



**10/225 Public Forum with respect to matters of mutual interests**

There was some discussion regarding the SID and the speed of traffic through the village, some concern was raised that it was not registering cars travelling at excessive speeds. Mrs Benjafield reported that at a recent meeting she met with Alan Philbeam from First Bus who suggested that if monies were available they may be interested in doing something with 31X. There was some discussion regarding the new rail timetable.

**10/226 Any Other Business/Information Exchange**

Clerk to arrange PATs for pavilion and contact David Moore regarding Youth Shelter base.

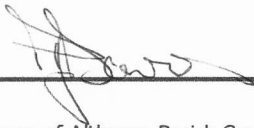
**10/227 Date of next meeting**

26<sup>th</sup> January 2011 – items for Agenda to be notified to Clerk by email before 17<sup>th</sup> January 2011

**10/228 Closure**

The Chairman closed the meeting was closed at 9.25pm

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Chairman of Althorne Parish Council