

GREAT EASTON AND TILTY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 25th FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.30pm

ONLINE MEETING VIA ZOOM

- Present:** Paul Kelly (Chairman) – Mark Claxton – Tristan Martens – Fiona Down – Julia England – Peter Neale.
- Clerk:** Wendy Hall
- Residents/Guests:** Helen Williams, Leasha Kane, Jon Cormack, Charles Brabin, Kate Rixson, Robert Davidson, David Hahn.

1. Welcome

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone attending

2. Apologies for absence

Nicole Thake, Cllr Martin Foley, Cllr Michael Taylor

3. Declaration of Members Interests

Paul Kelly GECA, SSE, Tristan Martens Essex Wildlife, SSE, Mark Claxton GECA, Peter Neale GECA, Fiona Down SSE, Tilty Church, Tilty Church Warden, Conservative Party, Stop Easton Park,

4. Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held 26th November 2020, having been circulated prior to the meeting were agreed.

5. Matters Arising NOT on the Agenda

Nothing to report.

6. Public Forum

Charles Brabin addressed the Councillors to express his concerns over Marsh's Farm, he and several other residents are concerned about the amount of activity that is taking place down there he feels that the area is being turned into a mini industrial estate, they have also requested planning permission on several occasions but there seems to be no input from Uttlesford regarding the various complaints that have been made, these complaints have outlined the fact that there has been increased traffic, noise and also several shipping containers have now been delivered. Rob Davidson also agreed with all Mr Brabin comments he also feels that these containers are causing de-valuation of the surrounding areas, enforcement have visited in the past but the activity has not got any better.

Chairman advised that the PC have provided support to residents and will continue to do all we can.

Cllr Down advised that she has sent several emails to several contacts within UDC but is still waiting for a response. The Councillors had a short discussion and it was decided that we should make contact with Cllr Foley and Cllr Taylor to request a meeting to discuss further action.

Helen Williams addressed the Councillors to advise that the National Trust have a scheme for planting blossom trees, these trees are saplings of British nature that are planted in circles that will blossom throughout the year, would this be something that the PC would be interested in. Cllr Kelly advised that there had been discussions at doing this and Cllr Claxton advised about setting up a community event when COVID restrictions have lifted. Helen will forward the links for the PC to have a look at.

7. Village Hall

Expenses – £33.87 Water Bill

Chairman advised that the Village Hall will re-open in April, he will let Brian and Audrey know. Chairman asked Clerk if UDC had contacted regarding using the Hall as a Polling

Station, she advised that she hadn't had anything, Cllr Martens advised they had made contact with Audrey and they have asked for an updated risk assessment, he will be arranging this.

8. Reports from Representatives

Planning

UTT/21/0436/LB	Little Rakefriars, Mill End Green	No Objections
UTT/21/0435/HHF	Little Rakefriars, Mill End Green	No Objections

Planning Application Determined

UTT/20/3439/HHF	Brick House Farm, Cherry St	Approved No Cond 11/2/21
UTT/20/3437/LB	Brick House Farm, Cherry St	Refused 11/2/21
UTT/20/3435/LB	Brick House Farm, Cherry St	Approved No Cond 11/2/21
UTT/20/3432/HHF	Brick House Farm, Cherry St	Refused 11/2/21
UTT/20/3331/HHF	Sparrows Duck St	Approved Conditions 22/2/21

UTT/21/0307 The Maltings – Kate Rixson addressed the Councillors regarding this planning application, she has asked if the PC would be objecting as residents are concerned as the application is for an Equestrian Centre with permission for temp use of a mobile home, there are concerns for the increase of traffic and the land doesn't have residential permission and the disruption to the land. Jon Cormack (land owner) addressed the Councillors to advise that he bought the land and he has made already made improvements, the application is for using the land to assist in the rehabilitation of horses, he has applied for a temp 3 year licence to try and establish his business the mobile home is a temp structure that will be clad to match the existing building. Chairman asked if he was intending to turn this into a permanent structure he advised that he couldn't answer this at this time as he doesn't know if the business would work. Chairman advised that the PC would discuss the application and submit comments to UDC Planning.

Annexe Folly – Cllr Down advised that she has been speaking to local residents and will provide more information when possible.

Attwood House – Chairman advised that he would be writing to Planning Inspector again and will share the comments with other Councillors before submitting

Playing Field

Nothing to report.

Footpaths

Nothing to report.

River Interest:

Nothing to report.

Road Safety/Highways

Chairman advised that Clerk had shared the Public notice and signed order for 40mph speed restriction on B184, all agreed they had received this

Airport

Nothing to report

9. Clerks Correspondence

Expenses were as follows Clerk Salary x 1 £322.14.

Clerk advised that she had received a letter from TSB advising they were closing the Dunmow Branch, Chairman said they would look into changing banks as previously discussed when lockdown has lifted.

10. Any Other Business

Cllr England advised that she had been speaking to Martin regarding the issues we have been having with emails, he will be looking into this to rectify the problems.

Cllr Neale advised that he had made contact regarding the flooding on the B184 and he is hoping to get some action.

Chairman advised that DUFC are due to return on weekend 3/4 April, he has put a chain across the temporary parking area and he has the keys. When they return we need to monitor the situation as the field is just a temporary measure and we need to make some decisions.

Options – Grass Matting inside Burns Playing Field – may need permission approx. cost £5-6000.

Cllr Martens suggested that we speak to DUFC and Land Sec about purchasing further land at Laundry Lane to enable the football club to be solely based there, this can be discussed.

Cllr England, Cllr Claxton, Cllr Thake & Cllr Down will speak to residents of Abbey View about the viability of grass matting.

Cllr Martens advised that he had sent round the quotes for the Hedges at Brocks Mead, prices based on a 3 year contract, – Contractor 2 was agreed.

There being no other business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 9pm

Date of Next Meeting Thursday 25th March 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom

Chairman.....Date.....