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Minutes of the **Little Easton Parish Council** meeting held in the **Memorial Hall** commencing 7:30pm on Wednesday **26 FEBRUARY 2020**

Present: Cllr Dodsley Cllr Hindley Cllr Rush Cllr Fowell Cllr Keefe
Dist Cllr Foley

Members of the public

19/150	NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies received from Cllr Rodwell and Dist Cllr Tayler
19/151	DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING None declared
19/152	APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 JANUARY 2020 RESOLUTION to Approve minutes: Proposed Cllr Fowell, Seconded Cllr Dodsley
	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION Members of the public may raise questions about and comment on items on the Agenda OR of import. Session is limited to 15 minutes (3 minutes per person with no repetition of a previous question) FLOOD ROUTE – SRC agreed to the use of their land as alternative route into village during times of flooding at the parish council’s request. Land Securities have requested route map for portion that will cross their land. – Cllr Dodsley to ACTION FENCE REPAIR – Rail come away from new fencing along Manor Road, CLERK to ACTION OVERHANGING TREES DUCK STREET – Cllrs to report via Essex Highways online Portal OVERHANGING HEDGE, LITTLE BARNs – CLERK to ACTION
19/153	RECEIVE THE DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS <i>Due to the delayed arrival of Cllr Foley Items 19/153 and 19/154 were transposed</i> AIRPORT - Dist Cllr Foley confirmed that UDC intend to invite SSE in to comment on Airport related matters more often. LOCAL PLAN – CPRE are to take a more prominent role plus some interesting work being done by the organisation – C.A.U.S.E. (www.cause4livingessex.com) on the A120. Independent advisors from the LGA have been invited into UDC to study and review the local plan alongside the Inspectors comments in an attempt to arrive at what is hoped will be an exhaustive range of options.
19/154	RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE LAND REGISTRY - Request to update the land Title address with the LR was completed at the Solicitors office with papers now sent to the LR offices. LAUNDRY LANE – Observation that it is becoming muddy with the edges broken away by large, assumed, farm vehicles; mainly near the junction with Duck Street. VE DAY 08 MAY - BEACON replacement quoted at £1213 + VAT – In light of cost the Council must seek alternatives for comparison. ESSEX VELO - Passing through Essex in September, some 15,000 entrants over differing routes depending on distance covered. Velo Essex for full details APA & ACM– Confirm the Chairman’s Annual report will be presented prior to and on the same date as the April PC meeting. Likewise the ACM (AGM) in May will form part of the PC meeting. <i>Dist Cllr Foley joined the meeting</i>

	<p>GREEN WASTE LORRY – Suggestion to provide this service to the parish, noted some residents already pay for kerbside green waste collection; recognised as a costly enterprise for the PC to embark upon as an unbudgeted item, suggested it be fully costed, take soundings and include in budget 2021-2022.</p> <p>DAMAGED ROAD SIGN – At entrance to Manor Road, reported to Highways for repair; noted Memorial Hall sign no longer on prominent view.</p> <p>PARISH MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR – SNH Garden Services have sadly withdrawn their services after thirteen years, the council are in process of compiling a request to tender(s) and seeking suitable alternatives.</p>
19/155	<p>FINANCE – RECEIVE STATEMENT & AGREE PAYMENTS – APPOINT AUTHORISER RESOLUTION to Approve payments: Proposed Cllr Rush, Seconded Cllr Keefe APPENDIX A</p> <p>Cllr Dodsley to authorise</p>
19/156	<p>PLANNING – REVIEW AND COMMENT ON ANY CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS None to consider</p>
19/157	<p>RECEIVE OVERVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE FROM LAND SECURITIES REF. BROXTED WOODS Cllrs confirmed receipt of correspondence; whilst a lengthy, considered response Land Securities essentially confirmed adherence to legislation with recognition of Health & Safety related matters and that no unnecessary tree felling/works were planned.</p>
19/158	<p>RECEIVE UPDATE ON PROPOSED REMOVAL OF BT PHONE BOX Cllr Fowell confirmed BT are not now removing the telephone-box, which is not working; Cllr Fowell to report out of service to BT</p>
19/159	<p>CONSIDER RENEWAL OF SSE SUBSCRIPTION AT £10 Unanimous agreement to renew subscription – CLERK to ACTION</p>
19/160	<p>CONSIDER PRICED OPTIONS FOR DDA SWING ITEMS RESEARCHED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS None forthcoming, DEFER to next meeting</p>
19/161	<p>RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS: WAR MEMORIAL – Poppies to now be removed, planting budget already approved, task list being compiled to help advise appointment of new parish maintenance contractor. MEMORIAL HALL – Car park issue for MHMC to address FOOTPATHS – Suggestion to research in-grass matting for slalom entrance of Manor Rd fencing HIGHWOODS QUARRY – Met in Oct '19, ECC advised all vehicles movements prior to 6am must cease immediately. ECC confirmed development proposals from LS would not be granted due to valuable mineral content of the land; next meeting scheduled later this Spring. PLAY AREA – Safety surfacing installed, grant to now be processed to release funds; contractor confirmed any additional equipment can be installed into the safety surfacing. 19/161(i) – COMPILER PLAY EQUIPMENT PAINTING & REFURBISHMENT LIST FOR COSTING – Working Group to identify work required and seek three quotations to complete refurbishment. EASTON PARK & LOCAL PLAN – Found unsound by the Inspector, 31 March UDC meeting to consider fundamentally whether the plan can be reworked or as per guidance to simply start again. STANSTED AIRPORT – M.A.G. Planning application rejected; passenger numbers falling.</p>
19/162	<p>ITEMS OF REPORT OR FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA OR IN 5P MAGAZINE Play equipment refurbishment quotes Parish Maintenance Contract DDA equipment options and pricing Citizens Advice Bureau promotion/mention – Cllr Keefe to ACTION with 5P magazine Parish Litter Pick to possibly coincide with the Great British Spring Clean – 20 March to 13 April</p>
19/163	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S) – MARCH 25 – MEMORIAL HALL – CLOSE – 8:45pm</p>

Signed.....Date.....

APPENDIX A

FEBRUARY statement 2019-2020										
Precept		23,540						Budget	Net Exp	Diff +/-
								23,540	21,830	-1,710
Date	Supplier	Description	Invoice	BACS	Min Ref	Rec	Credit	Debit	VAT	Net
Opening Balance							29,932.29	0.00		0.00
12-Feb	Activ	Web services	3013	DD		Y		42.00	7.00	35.00
17-Feb	A&J Lighting	Light Maintenance	33815	DD		Y		24.30	4.05	20.25
17-Feb	Haven Power	Electricity	3844/3846	DD		Y		47.86	2.28	45.58
27-Feb	SNH	Maintenance	2205	FPO				526.00		526.00
27-Feb	Wicksteed	Play Area Surface	809519	FPO				8,068.66	1,344.78	6,723.88
27-Feb	Rowley Fencing	Manor Rd Fencing	1703	FPO				2,208.00	368.00	1,840.00
27-Feb	GP Garden Surgery	Tree Works	331	FPO				2,680.00		2,680.00
27-Feb	Employee	Expenses	N/A	FPO				10.60		10.60
28-Feb	Employee	Salary	PAYE	SO				404.73		404.73
February							29,932.29	14,012.15	1,726.11	12,286.04
Closing balance							15,920.14			
Balance	Current Account	29818.13								
Reserves	Play Area									
Reserves	Election	1500								
Reserves	Legals	1000								
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