



WEST BERGHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council

Meeting held in the John Lampon Hall - 26th August 2009 at 7.30p.m.

In the Chair: John Gili-Ross
Members Present: Sally Butcher, Jenny Church, Bernard Colbron, Sue Day, Andrew Savage, David Short, Peter Sleigh, Chris Stevenson, Harry Stone, Bob Tyrrell
Clerk: Val Walsom
Present: Councillor Jill Tod, Councillor Dennis Willetts

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes

Minutes of the meetings of 22nd July 2009 were approved with no amendments.

4. Borough Councillors' Report

Councillor Tod advised that the hut at the level crossing will be removed during the weekend commencing 28th August 2009.

5. Progress Reports for Information

Courses and Events

ECC - Chitts Hill Closure - 28/08/09, 23.30 - 01/09/09, 07:00.

EALC - Chairman's Day 2 - 07/10/09

RCCE - Village Hall and Community Building Conference - 10/10/09

Best Kept Village Competition results - the winning village was Great Bardfield

ETP - Health and Safety Course - 06/11/09

Law and Procedures Course - 20/10/09

Budget Precept Course - 07/10/09

Essex Police - Public meeting at the Moot Hall - 08/09/09 at 7.30p.m.

6. Planning and Village Design Matters

Minutes of the Planning and Village Design Matters Committee meeting held on 19th August 2009 were received.

There was a discussion about the new village signs. Communication is ongoing with Essex Highways about the quality of the wood used.

EALC is setting up a new statutory Planning Committee involving Clerks and Councillors with a particular interest in planning. An initial meeting will be held on 09/10/09.

Bunting and Sons have requested, under the Freedom of information Act, any documents and correspondence relating to the Horkesley Park Heritage Centre application.

7. Parish Plan

CBC's comments have been received and they are generally happy with the Parish Plan. Work is continuing on the priority areas; transport and policing the village. Policing the village will be an item for discussion at next month's PC meeting. Members of the Parish Plan Steering group have joined forces with members of the PC to work on the Village Design Statement. Parish Plan information on the village website is to be refreshed and will include a monitoring report.

8. Land and Recreation Matters

Minutes of the Land and Recreation Committee meeting held on 13th August 2009 were received.

- Work is nearly complete on clearing the Village Green. Drinking and glue sniffing dens have been exposed and the police will be informed.

14. Correspondence

Chris Stevenson has received some correspondence in his role as Emergency Planning Officer. He will look at this and report back at the next meeting.

15. Consideration of Items for the Next Agenda

Parish Plan - Policing the Village
West Bergholt Football Club

16. Date of Next Meeting

23rd September 2009 starting at 7.30p.m.

Signed

Date

Position on Parish Council.....