

GREAT BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Great Bentley Parish Council Friday 10 May 2013

Present:	Cllrs J. Hills, B. Herbert, L. McWilliams, R. Taylor, P. Balbirnie, L. Edwards. C. Warder, G. Wright and K. Plummer
014-13/4	Apologies for absence: None
015-13/4	Minutes of the last meeting: Cllr L. McWilliams raised the issue of minute 009/13/4 iii). There followed a long discussion regarding the accuracy of the minute. It was moved by Cllr B. Herbert, seconded by Cllr K. Plummer and: Resolved: by a majority vote that the minutes (including minute 009/13/4 iii) accurately reflect the proceedings.
016-13/4	Declarations of Interest: None.
017-13/4	Correspondence: Consideration was given to correspondence received. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) TDC request. Noted ii) Gt Bromley PC A120 resolution. Noted. iii) Carnival Letter. Agreed to discuss as part of Green Report iv) GBYFC letter regarding its football festival. The Clerk was asked to respond. v) Boot Camp Proposal; It was moved by Cllr B. Herbert, seconded by Cllr L. Edwards and: Resolved: to agree to issue a 6 license during summer. vi) Mr Hamilton's letter. Cllr G. Wright proposed to defer this matter and include it as an agenda item at the next meeting. Resolved: The proposal was carried by majority vote.
018-13/4	Information & Reports: None.
019-13/4	County and District Councillors Reports: To receive reports from elected representatives. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) County Councillor – It was agreed to invite the recently elected Cllr R Lord to attend future parish council meetings. b) District Councillor – Cllr L McWilliams. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Clarified the position regarding the misinformation recently published in the press about high TDC staff salaries. ii) A new free swimming initiative has been introduced at Brightlingsea Swimming Pool. iii) Tour de Tending scheduled on 19 May 2013. iv) The 'Tidy Tending' initiative was recently launched by TDC.
020-13/4	Clerks Report. The Clerk presented his report (circulated previously) covering a number of issues including workload. It was proposed by Cllr P Balbirnie, seconded Cllr C. Warder and: Resolved: to increase the Clerks hours of work to 24 hours per week.
021-13/4	Finance Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The monthly expenditure report incurred by the Parish Council was tabled. It was moved by Cllr G Wright and: Resolved: to agree this expenditure report.

	<p>b) It was noted that that there has been no non-budgeted expenditure this month.</p> <p>c) The Clerk noted that some difficulty is being experienced reconciling and closing the 12/13 annual accounts.</p>
022-13/4	<p>Village Green Committee Report: Cllr B Herbert Chair of the Committee presented his (previously circulated) report verbally.</p> <p>a) <u>Carnival Contingency Plan</u>. It was moved by Cllr C. Warder, seconded by Cllr P. Balbirnie and: Resolved: to relocate the carnival on to south side. The Clerk was asked to notify the Carnival Committee and Cllr C. Warder asked to liaise with GBFC.</p> <p>b) <u>Signage</u>. Resolved: to agree to a number of requests received to publicise local activities on the Green.</p> <p>c) <u>Grit</u>. Resolved: The Clerk was asked to liaise with Cllr G. Wright to identify a suitable spreader, obtain a quotation and report back.</p> <p>d) <u>PCSO</u>. Resolved: The Clerk to write to the Police registering disappointment at the loss of the local PCSO and confirming that GBPC has a budget for a PCSO.</p> <p>e) <u>Edible Essex Grant</u>. Resolved: The Clerk was asked to obtain and submit an estimate to erect a fence around the new allotment site.</p>
023-13/4	<p>Other Reports. To receive reports received.</p> <p>a) <u>Police Report</u>. It was noted that the crimes statistics shown in the previously circulated report are disappointing.</p> <p>b) <u>TDALC</u>. Cllr R Taylor highlighted the salient points in his previously circulated report.</p> <p>c) <u>Transport Representative</u>. Mr P. Harry gave his apologies and asked that the additional bus service to Clacton be noted.</p> <p>d) <u>Footpaths</u>. Mr D. Gollifer sent his apologies noting that there is little of note to report this month.</p> <p>e) <u>Caretaker Report</u>. Members noted Mr B. McWilliams previously circulated report.</p> <p>f) <u>NAP</u>. It was noted that there nothing to report this month.</p> <p>g) <u>Village Events</u>. It was noted that there is nothing to report that is not covered elsewhere on the agenda.</p>
024-13/4	<p>Grass Strimming Contract:</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr J. Hills, seconded by Cllr Wright and: Resolved: “That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A, as amended, of the Act.”</p> <p>Resolved: It was agreed to award the annual contract to Conkers Cutters and the Clerk was asked to make the necessary arrangements.</p>
025-13/4	<p>Allotment Site Land.</p> <p>It was noted that the formalisation of access arrangements to the site is ongoing. Cllr G. Wright read-out a letter to the Council from Mr Irwin. He asked that this matter be included as an agenda item at the next meeting. Resolved: The Clerk to prepare a holding response.</p>
026-13/4	<p>Highway Issues:</p> <p>Progress on the various previously agreed proposed highways funding applications was discussed. Resolved: It was agreed to form a Car Park Committee with Cllrs J. Hills, B. Herbert, G. Wright, L. Edwards, L. McWilliams, K. Plummer and C. Warder nominated to sit on it. The date of the inaugural meeting is to be determined.</p>

026-13/4	Salary Administration: Further to a review of the cost of salary administration, it was moved by Cllr Hills and: Resolved: to continue with the current arrangements in relation to salary administration.
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PUBLIC QUESTION TIME WILL BE FOR A MAXIMUM OF 10 MINUTES AND LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER PERSON AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i) There was a suggestion that public disillusionment with GBPC may be dissuading members of public attending council meetings.ii) It was agreed that the Clerk should consult Cllr G. Wright regarding the purchase of a new grease gun.

Great Bentley Parish Council
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting of Great Bentley Parish Council Planning Committee held on Friday 10 May 2013

007-13/4 Apologies for absence. None.

008-13/4 Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of meeting held on 4 April 2013 were proposed by Cllr L. Edwards, seconded by Cllr C. Warder, agreed and signed by Cllr B. Herbert as a true record.

009-13/4 Planning Applications. Consideration to the planning applications set out in the table below. These were proposed by Cllr Balbirnie, seconded by Cllr Herbert and agreed by the Council.

Planning Reference No. & Email Link	Application Details	Address/ Location	Comment
13/00345/LUEX	Use of land as garden land including vehicular access.	St Mary's Lodge Plough Road, Great Bentley CO7 8LG	No objection.
13/00361/FUL	Proposed alterations and new canopy addition (Variation to planning approval 11/01448/FUL).	The Old School House Plough Road Great Bentley	No objection.
13/00377/FUL	Change of use of former Post Office and living accommodation to single dwelling.	Golfe House, The Green Great Bentley, CO7 8QG	No objection.
13/00446/TCA	Multi-stemmed Sycamore - fell	Adjacent Purple Cottage (No. 4) New Cut Great Bentley	No objection.
13/00463/FUL	Change of use from A1 to B1a office.	Great Bentley Food Hall Plough Road Great Bentley CO7 8LA	Concern about parking GBPC will support the application if the applicant would sign up to a green travel plan to use the new village car park.
13/00438/DISCON	Discharge of condition 4 (design of garage foundations) of planning permission 13/00034/FUL.	Bouverie, St Marys Road, Great Bentley CO7 8NN	

010-13/4 Correspondence. To receive items of correspondence received. None.

011-13/4 Planning Matters for Report.

Notification has been received of the introduction on 30 April 2013 of a temporary 10mph speed limit on the A133 Colchester Road, Great Bentley for a distance of 3400m while highway works are completed.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME WILL BE FOR A MAXIMUM OF 10 MINUTES ALLOWING 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The next Planning Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday 6 June 2013.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm