



Stambridge Parish Council
Minutes for the Meeting of the Council
held on Monday 28th April 2014

Present: Councillors: B Crix, P Richmond, G Ioannou,
Parish Clerk: L Fox

207. Apologies for Absence.

207.1. D. Vanderson

208. Approval of Minutes.

208.1. Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on the 18th March 2014 were agreed to be true records of the meeting. Proposer B. Crix, G Ioannou seconds.

209. Declaration of Interests in accordance with the Councils Code of Conduct/Vacancies/Applications for Vacancies

- 209.1. Cllr G. Ioannou (Non-Pecuniary) – Stambridge Memorial Hall
- 209.2. Cllr P Richmond (Non-Pecuniary) – Director of a Taxi Company
- 209.3. No applications

210. Contributions from Members of the Public

210.1. None

211. Reports from Parish Representatives

- 211.1. Police – No meeting this month, speed gun training has taken place and is in use, cables now in place collecting data.
- 211.2. Rochford Hundred Association of Local Councils – Missed due to ill health.
- 211.3. Community Information Group (Known previously as Community Forum) – Part of RHALC meeting as above.
- 211.4. Transport – Meeting cancelled until June.

212. Stambridge STW

212.2. Meeting booked for 12th June. Cllrs Richmond and Ioannou confirm attendance.

213. Clerks Report

213.1. Clerks report provided, no comments made.

214. Stambridge Memorial Hall / Grounds

- 214.1. General Update – Mobile Phone – specifically for Hall Management – Cllrs agree to arranging a cheap second mobile phone. B Crix Proposer, P Richmond 2nds. RESOLVED
- 214.2. Vandalism/Insurance Claim – No response from Rob Barr regarding a schedule of works, urgent now, Cllr Richmond is concerned about the budget, not enough to cover plans, issue with rewiring etc. We urgently need the specification of works in order to move forward. Cllr Ioannou will send a formal email with a deadline of Friday 2nd May, stressing the fact that we are in danger of losing the funding. P Richmond wants to ensure wiring completed as a priority. All agree
- 214.3. Door Insurance Claim – Update – Meeting Wednesday 30th April.
- 214.4. Football Club – Ongoing and still under investigation.

- 214.5.** CCTV – Hall and Cricket Club Joint – Cricket Club are applying for a grant, price received of £1750 for Cricket Club, Lisa in contact with our insurance company to enquire about cash injection. Cricket Club are receiving a grant from their Insurance company which will be returned to the Parish. No quote for the Memorial Hall CCTV yet.
- 214.6.** Funding – Essex Community Foundation – Rochford District Council have advised to enter for another £10,000.00 grant available. Motion: Cllr Ioannou would like to apply to the above to help support the community building at the Stambridge Memorial Hall. Cllrs confirm; P Richmond proposer, B Crix 2nds.
- 214.7.** Cllr Ioannou informs Cllrs of another project taking place – Active Essex Forum – part of community building exercise, sporting activities for people with disabilities, lots of support from other organisations. Transport options being discussed. Taster session taking place in June. Cllr Ioannou to send letter to other Cllrs with details. Potential of another £40,000 grant for the hall extension to support the initiative. Taster sessions taking place at the Memorial Hall, however Cllr P Richmond to confirm ok to use Church Hall as a backup in case Hall is not in use due to building works. – Lisa to add this point to the agenda.
- 214.8.** Shelley at RRAVS leaving – Consider using Shelley to complete grant application forms – Lisa to add to agenda, Cllr Ioannou to find out hourly rates etc.

215. Stambridge Community

- 215.1.** Councillors all happy with Minutes provided – Cllr B Crix would like `Forum` added to the heading though. All agree

216. Projects/Funding

- 216.1.** Cllrs discussed purchase of land next to Fisheries (3 acres of land – between fisheries and pumping station) good for the community, NEET programme, what could the land be used for? Where is the £27k coming from? Grant loan at 1.75% over 30 years – borrowing? – investor? – what other information required? – Cllr Richmond wants to know exactly what we are looking at, once we know what the land is, what purpose it can be used for? Cllr B Crix agrees, Clerk to add to agenda next month for suggestions on how to use and GI to bring more details of land description and loans.

217. Parish Council Website / Newsletter

- 217.1.** Newsletter almost complete.

218. Footpaths/Highways

- 218.1.** Highway issues – Bus stop – Clerk to chase. Pot Holes – All filled in.
- 218.2.** Village Green/Verges/Planters – Carlenes kid offer discussed and declined by the Cllrs due to Health and Safety/Insurance issues. Suggestion made to offer Sponsorship for planters to local Garden Centre. Cllr Ioannou will provide the offer. Proposer – P Richmond, 2nd B Crix.
- 218.3.** Environment – Bottle Bank – No update Cllr Ioannou to chase.
- 218.4.** Footpaths – Note in Newsletter to get the community involved to carry out survey of Footpaths. Fishery at Stambridge Mill typically bad, better signage, some signs non-existent, paths overgrown etc. Clerk to provide footpath maps to Cllr Ioannou
- 218.5.** Ditches – Clearance needed – no pipes under footpath opposite Memorial Hall, ditch therefore pointless, Rankins are to begin clearing. Letter to be sent to the Rectory (house)

regarding grass cuttings in ditch. Terry Cutmore to be approached regarding investment for clearing of areas that the farmers cannot get to. (Private land)

218.6. Flooding – Mill Lane/Fisheries/Broomhills/Allotments – In relation to the above, by the Meadows there should be a pipe under the road, but we are unaware of who it belongs to? Water running across the road into a drain, should not be happening. Farmers are going to work to resolve some of the issues. County may need to attend to unblock pipes under roads. Cllr Ioannou to contact Jamie Rankin on The Mill Fisheries issues.

219. Planning including Applications

219.1. None

220. Allotments

220.1. General Update – No comments on report

221. Correspondence

221.1. None

222. Finance

222.1.Payment of Accounts:

222.1.1. Marys Hall Donation	£15.00	101276
222.1.2. Clerks Salary (Confidential)	£-	101277
222.1.3. Clerks Office Allowance	£90.00	101278
222.1.4. Clerks Expenses	£34.47	101279
222.1.5. HMRC (Confidential)	£-	101280
222.1.6. Prokill	£77.50	101281
222.1.7. EALC / NALC Affiliation Fees	£187.50	101282
222.1.8. Essex and Suffolk Water – Allotment	£38.14	101283
222.1.9. Aerial Southern Contractors (Final Invoice)	£366.37	101284
222.1.10. EALC – New Clerks Day	£67.00	101285
222.1.11. Cllr Ioannou – Expenses	£44.08	101286
222.1.12. British Gas – Gas at Hall	£197.79	101287
222.1.13. British Gas – Electric Hall	£122.55	101288
222.1.14. EALC – Risk Assessment Course	£75.00	101289
222.1.15. Stuart Jemson – Hall Electrics	£280.00	101290
222.1.16. Pension – Deficiency Payment	£34.73	101291

222.2. Ratify the following Cheques:

222.2.1. Clerks Salary (March) (Confidential)	£-	101273
222.2.2. HMRC (Confidential)	£-	101274
222.2.3. Clerks Expenses (March)	£28.13	101275

222.3. Stambridge Memorial Hall Urgent Cheques:

222.3.1. Essex and Suffolk Water	£80.22	100310
222.3.2. RDC Premises Licence	£20.00	100311
222.3.3. Essex and Suffolk Water – Hall (FC Contribution)	£240.66	100312

222.4. Monthly Breakdowns – Approved by all Cllrs.

222.5. St Marys Church Fund for Youth after school club – Not yet completed.

222.6.End of Year accounts – Currently being completed. Cllrs all in agreeance that any money reserves are to be provided as a Grant towards Memorial Hall CIF funding Refurbishment.

223. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting is Monday 12th May 2014

223.1. Venue: St Marys and All Saints Church Hall at 8.00pm

Meeting Ends 10.10pm
Lisa Fox, Clerk to the Council, 30th April 2014

Chairman`s Signature _____

Date _____

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