



GREAT OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ON TUESDAY, 18th January 2022 AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairman: Cllrs Bailey / Day

Vice Chairman:

Councillors: Offord, Browne, Daniels, Nice

District Councillor:

Essex County Councillor: Cllr Land

9 members of the public were in attendance

01 / 2022 - 01 | Welcome

The Chairman welcomed those attending.

01 / 2022 – 02 | Election of Chairman

The Clerk asked for Nominations for Chairman, Cllr Nice Proposed Cllr Day, Seconded Cllr Offord, there were no other nominations. All in favour. Cllr Day signed his declaration of office and accepted the role. Cllr Day thanked Exiting Chairman Cllr Bailey for her service.

01 / 2022 - 03 | Apologies for absence

Cllr Bush

01 / 2022 - 04 | Declarations of Interest

There were none.

01 / 2022 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the last meeting (14th December 2021)

Resolved: That the minutes be agreed as a true record. Proposed Cllr Offord, Seconded Cllr Browne - all in favour.

01 / 2022 – 06 | Public participation

A member of the public gave thanks to the organisations, individuals and volunteers who supported the Christmas Festival. It was a wonderful success and enjoyed by many.

A member of the public mentioned an unprovoked attack on a member of the public at the last meeting. What is going to be done about the matter? Cllr Day said we await the results of the formal complaint via TDC.

01 / 2022 – 07 | District Councillor Report

No report was submitted – apologies sent.

01 / 2022– 08 | County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following matters:

A120 works

Entry Signs to Village.



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Locality Funding

01 / 2022 – 09 | Clerk's Report & Correspondence

The Clerk reported on the following matters:

Complaints from 2 residents

Email from TDC - enquiry into complaint

Third quote being sought for recreation field

Benches in church

Merge water and sewerage contract to Wave

Mrs Tierney – Late husband's grave

Lighting contract has changed and it looks initially that there is a significant increase.

01 / 2022 – 10 | Chairman's Report

Chairman gave updates on the following matters:

Chairman deferred report till next month.

01 / 2022 – 11 | Reports

Burial Ground, Recreation Field, Play Area and Greenswards

The working group report was submitted prior to the meeting and all had time to consider recommendations which were accepted. Cllr Nice asked if there could be reinforcements to the working party. Cllr Daniels asked if the Parish Council Vacancies could be promoted.

Public Rights of Way / Footpaths

Cllr Daniels noted the proposal from Hutchinson's port in Little Oakley, which would affect PROW and the beach. **ACTION: to raise concerns over the proposal to through the TDC planning portal.**

Great Oakley and Stones Green in Bloom

Chairman expressed a desire to continue to support the initiative.

TDALC

No meeting

Cllr Offord said she would like to take on this responsibility moving forward.

ACTION: remove Cllr Bailey's details from the mail out and add Cllr Offord.

Village Hall

Finance Update

GOCI have been successful in obtaining a grant to improve the sound within the hall. A new sound and recording system in the Village Hall is now in place. The system includes user an insurance policy. The PC will oversee the installation, ongoing repair, of the clerk has established that the insurance covers the equipment. The rules of use need to be established.

Cllr Daniels mentioned the need for a village hall community committee which includes members of the hirers and the public.



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ACTION: Cllr Daniels suggested a letter to all user groups to ask if they can put a member forward to a new committee, add to website and social media.

ACTION: Mrs Bailey requires the insurance, agreement over maintenance and rules.

Stones Green

RESOLVED: to spend up to £90 on hedge cutting in the village. Proposed Cllr Daniels Seconded Cllr Nice – all in favour.

01 / 2022 - 12 | Community Safety

Police Street meet Sunday 6th March.

01 / 2022 – 13 | Carbon Reduction

Parish Council are committed to carbon reduction.

01 / 2022 – 14 | Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Cllr Day suggested this is merged with 'in bloom'

Cllr Nice suggested an event within the village

Cllr Daniels mentioned a joined-up approach through the local agencies and groups

ACTION: Can the car rally be asked for a donation towards this event.

01 / 2022 – 15 | TDC Harwich Sports Facility

Cllr Daniel expressed his dismay that the TDC/Harwich School link up for sports is to be discontinued.

ACTION: write to TDC expressing our discontent about the matter.

01 / 2022 – 16 | To consider planning applications received from Tendring District Council

No objections to the month's applications.

RESOLVED: that the recommendations put forward are submitted to TDC. Proposed Cllr Nice Seconded Cllr Daniels - all in favour.

01 / 2022 – 17 | Cheques and finance authorisation

RESOLVED: that this month's cheques be signed, including any expenses.

Proposed by Cllr Daniels, Seconded Cllr Offord – all in Favour.

01 / 2022 – 18 | Agenda Items for Future Consideration

Proposed budget donation for Jubilee event

Meeting closed

Date and Time of next meeting | Tuesday 22nd February 2022 at 7.00pm | Village Hall