



GREAT OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE
HALL, ON TUESDAY, 16th MAY 2023 AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT:

Chair: Cllr Daniels

Vice Chair: Cllr Bush

Councillors: Cllrs Harris, Browne, C Bush, Bailey

District Councillor: Cllr Bush

Clerk & Essex County Councillor: Cllr Land

8 members of the public were in attendance.

05 / 2023- 01 | Welcome

Chairman welcomed Cllrs and members of the public.

05 / 2023 – 02 | Election of Chairman and Acceptance

Cllr Daniels was the only nomination. Proposed by Cllr Bush, Seconded Cllr Browne – all in favour

05 / 2023 – 03 | Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr Bush was the only nomination. Proposed by Cllr Daniels, Seconded Cllr Browne – all in favour

05 / 2023 – 04 | Co-option of Councillors

Sarah Harrison, Yvonne Bailey and Carol Bush gave an introduction and outlined their aspirations. They were all duly supported by the Councillors and joined the panel. All signed their acceptance of office.

Proposed Cllr Daniels Seconded Cllr Browne – all in favour.

Thanks to the outgoing Chairman, Cllr Paul Day, Cllr Offord and Cllr Nice

05 / 2023 – 05 Election of Committees and working groups

Cllrs Bush, Daniels and Harris put forward for the Finance Committee

Action: to add Cllr Daniels to the bank mandate

Cllrs Bailey and C Bush to be part of the Personnel, Standards and Policies

Cllrs Browne and M Bush and Daniels put forward for the Planning

Cllrs Bailey, Harris, C Bush and Chris Scutt put forward for the Village Hall

Cllr Bailey put forward for the Burial Ground

05 / 2023 – 06 | Apologies for absence

There were none.

05 / 2023- 07 | Declarations of Interest

None Declared.

05 / 2023 – 08 | To agree the minutes of the last meeting (18th April 2023)

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



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05 / 2023 – 09 | Public Forum

A MOP asked about Police meet, the lack of people attending the event. Parking on the pavement was raised and the hinderance it causes for pavement walkers. Notice boards were mentioned and the cleansing of them and usage.

Action: write to police, particularly concerned about speeding and parking of cars on pavement – can they help? A120 Closures concerns – lorries.

Action: review of notice boards – Cllr Daniels

New Caretaker attended and introduced himself. He requested that a bin be sourced for the hall. The Council gave permission for Chris (Caretaker) to source a bin at his convenience-Action C Scutt

Action: Cllr Bush mentioned about Sumair – circulate details for comment.

Action: Tree near Village Hall – Cllr Browne to advise if a TPO can be obtained

05 / 2023 – 10 | Clerks report / correspondence

Clerk reported the following matters:

- further email from complainant about the recreation field – responded to
- email about the trees overhanging house near the school road recreation field – Cllr Browne investigating with TPO
- North Falls Wind Farm – not affecting GO Parish

05 / 2023 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bush gave updates on the following points:

- update on results of the District Council elections – Council Roles to be decided at meeting 25/5
- update on the on the A120 works, surveys to be revealed but planned works will send diverted traffic through Great Oakley during the daytime

05 / 2023 – 11 | Chairman's Report

Not in attendance, gave apologies.

05 / 2023– 13 | County Councillor Report

Cllr Land gave an update on the following matters:

- pavement scheme
- pothole scheme
- new money in the locality fund
- A120 diversion

05 / 2023 – 14 | Reports

Burial Ground, Recreation Field, Play Area and Greenswards

Cllr Bailey will give a monthly report and noted that she thought the trim trail was being used by adults. Signs should help us with this. Action – Clerk to send latest draft and costs to Chair



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Public Rights of Way / Footpaths

Cllr Browne noted that the footpath next to park pale barn is number 13 and people should report it to TDC if they believe it's dangerous.

Great Oakley Trees, Villages in Bloom and Planters

Cllr Browne reported on the following matters:

- she had had a site visit with Clive Dawson from TDC and walked round half the village, All in favour of getting a TPO on the tree at the side of the recreation field which was identified on the walk
- Cllr Daniels noted the gardening night next Thursday at the pub will have swaps and plants for sale

ACTION: Clerk to write to the new owners of the old rectory about the recent tree branch fall and plans they may have for other at-risk trees on their property border.

Action: Cllr Browne to clarify tree ownership on border as ECC appear to own some as part of the GO Tree Survey

ACTION: ND to write to the developers regarding their plans for the Beaumont Rd Estate.

ND would like to see some more Cherry Trees (including previous lost ones) – Action: Request Oaktree quote

TDALC

Cllr Bailey would like to be the representative on this forum.

Village Hall

Action: Chris to organise a meeting of users / interested parties ASAP hopefully to propose requirements / costs for approval at the next Parish Council meeting.

Stones Green

Nothing to report.

05 / 2023 – 15 | To consider planning applications received from Tendring District Council.

Clerk to email all with details of latest applications for comment before deadline.

05 / 2023 – 16 | To note the findings of the internal auditor

05 / 2023 – 17 | Accounts 2022-23

RESOLVED: to approve the accounts for 2022-23. Proposed Cllr Daniels Seconded Cllr Bush – all in favour.

05 / 2023 – 18 | To consider and approve the Annual Governance Statement in Section 1 of the AGAR

RESOLVED: to approve section 1 Proposed Cllr Daniels Seconded Cllr Bush – all in favour

05 / 2023 – 19 | To consider and approve the Annual Statements in Section 2 of the AGAR

RESOLVED: to approve section 2 Proposed Cllr Daniels Seconded Cllr Bush – all in favour



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05 / 2023 – 20 | Cheques and finance authorisation

RESOLVED: that this month's cheques be approved and signed.

Proposed by Cllr Bush, Seconded Cllr Bailey – all in favour.

Action: Clerk to investigate & clarify 2x large Calor gas bills in close proximity.

05 / 2023 – 21 | Agenda Items for Future Consideration

Bottle Bank

Great Oakley Conservation Appraisal

Energy LED lights in the hall

Community Speed

Meeting closed 20:55pm

Date and Time of next meeting | Tuesday 20th June 2023 at 7.00pm | Village Hall