## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THAXTED PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2018 AT 08:00 PM IN THE GUILDHALL

**Present:** Councillors: T. Frostick (Chairman), Cllr's: V Knight (Vice Chair) Brazier, Howells, Williams, Frater, Stewart, Miller, Morgan

#### Also, present:

Dena Ludford Parish Clerk and 16 members of the public.

### 17/18.221 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr V Knight Nominated Cllr Terry Frostick seconded by R Williams, unanimous support

## 17/18.222 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE Received

#### 17/18.223 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Cllr T Frostick Proposed Cllr Victoria knight seconded by Cllr R Williams,

## 17/18.224 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

District Cllr John Freeman, & Martin Foley County Cllr Simon Walsh Cllr A. Wattebott

### 17/18.225 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None received

#### 17/18.226 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

A representative of the NP made comment in reference to the rebuttal of the Claypits application and the splay view over the Parish land.

# 17/18.227 TO AGREE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS AND TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS TO THE COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES (see Appendix A)

- a. Finance and Assets (5)
- b. Highways (8)
- c. Open Spaces (8)
- d. Personnel & It (4)
- e. Planning (11)
- f. Clarance House (4 Councillors 3 non Councillors)

### 17/18.228 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN TO THE COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES (Appendix A)

**Finance & Assets** – Cllr Knight Proposed Cllr Frostick as Chairman, seconded by Cllr Frater, Cllr Frostick proposed Cllr Williams as Vice chairman, seconded by Cllr Brazier.

**Highways** – Cllr Frostick proposed Cllr Spencer as chairman, seconded by Cllr Knight, Cllr Spencer proposed Cllr Brazier as vice chairman, seconded by Cllr Frostick.

**Open Spaces** - Cllr Howells proposed Cllr Brazier seconded by Cllr Frostick, Cllr Brazier proposed Cllr Howells as vice Chairman, seconded Cllr Frostick.

**Personnel and IT** - Cllr Brazier proposed Cllr Frater as Chairman, seconded by Cllr Knight, Cllr Frater proposed Cllr Brazier as vice chairman seconded by Cllr Miller.

**Planning** - Cllr Brazier proposed Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Frostick, Cllr Brazier proposed cllr Frostick as vice Chairman seconded by Cllr Knight.

Clarance house – Cllr Brazier proposed Cllr Howells seconded by Cllr Knight, Cllr Howells proposed Annie Harding as vice, no dissent.

Chairman's Initials

### 17/18.229 GUILDHALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- a. To appoint a Chairman Cllr Brazier proposed Cllr Frostick, seconded by Cllr Knight
- b. to appoint a vice chairman Cllr Frostick proposed Cllr Frater seconded by Cllr Knight

## 17/18.230 TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS TO THE COUNCIL'S STANDING WORKING GROUPS (see Appendix AB)

a. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (3)

Cllr. D. Morgan

Cllr. A. Wattebot

Cllr. A. Frater

b. Remembrance Memorial Working Group (3)

Group to be disbanded – unanimous

c. Youth Forum (4)

This Forum is Paused, this will return to the council after new terms of reference

# 17/18.231 TO CONSIDER and APPOINT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES OR ORGANISATIONS (Appendix B)

- c. Bolford street hall management committee Cllrs Morgan, Howells & Brazier
- d. windmill trust management committee (trustee) Cllr Knight
- e. Maynards charity (the chairman and vice-chairman of the council)
- d. Thaxted twinning association Paused
- e. Parish transport representative Cllr Wattebott
- f. The Thaxted Society Cllr Stewart

## 17/18.232 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE PARISH OF THAXTED None received

## 17/18.233 REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE PARISH OF THAXTED None Received

## 17/18.234 MINUTES

**RESOLVED** To **APPROVE** and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018 **RESOLVED** To **APPROVE** and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Planning meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018

#### 17/18.235 COMMITTEE MINUTES

To **NOTE** the minutes of the Open Spaces committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018. To **NOTE** the minutes of the Personnel & IT committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

#### 17/18.236 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

**RESOLVED** To **APPROVE** and **AGREE** the re-appointment of Mrs Vicky Waples as Internal Auditor for the 2018-2019 financial year as regulated by SALC.

## 17/18.237 PLANNING

## i) APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/1030/HHF

PROPOSAL: Demolition of existing rear extensions and erection of two storey and single

storey rear extensions.

**LOCATION:** 6 Claypits Villas Thaxted **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** this application

#### ii) APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/0976/LB & UTT/18/0975/HHF

PROPOSAL: Removal of window and erection of side porch

Chairman's Initials

**LOCATION:** Coverts Bardfield End Green **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** this application

#### iii) APPLICATION NO. UTT/18/1099/FUL

PROPOSAL: Erection of 1 no. agricultural workers dwelling and garage annexe with

associated landscaping

**LOCATION:** Coal Yard Stanbrook Road

**RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT** this application and endorse the agricultural restriction.

### 17/18.238 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To receive a verbal update on progress from Peter Neale, the Steering Group Chairman (See Appendix C)

#### 17/18.239 INSURANCE POLICY REVIEW & RENEWAL

To review the council's current insurance policy remains adequate and approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the pre-agreed 3 year term resolved by this council previously 01.06.2017 ref: 17/18.041. at a cost of £1,612.68.

#### 17/18.240 STALLARD KANE

**RESOLVED** To **RECEIVE** and **SIGN** acceptance of the Revised health and safety documentation provided to Thaxted Parish Council by Stallard Kane associates.

#### 17/18.241 METAL DETECTING PERMISSION REQUEST

To Consider the request for permission to Metal Detect on Parish Council Land.

(National Council for Metal Detecting - Risk Assessment & Public liability is available to view upon request).

The request is made by the individual only and no others person will be granted permission by agreeing to this application – the council **RESOLVE** to support this application.

#### 17/18.242 FUTURE PLAN REVIEW

It is suggested to Invite all new Cllrs to add their comments and include Cllr Howells Previous comments.

Also to Ask the Thaxted society to see if they have notice boards.

Cllr Knight wishes to Add the coach park with a view to consider expanding the coach park to include dedicated coach and school parking as part of the future plan, all in agreement.

The clerk to keep the plan up to date as developments happen.

## 17/18.243 FINANCE

To **NOTE** Council income and expenditure as follows:

## a) Expenditure

To agree Council gross expenditure from  $1^{st} - 31^{st}$  March 2018 as follows:

Co-operative Current A/c £12496.14
Santander A/c (Market) £8.26
Co-operative (Guildhall) A/c £306.11
Petty Cash £63.02

## b) Income

To note Council gross income from  $1^{st} - 31^{st}$  March 2018 as follows:

Co-operative Current A/c £5304.64
Santander (Market)A/c £1320.64
Co-operative (Guildhall) A/c £625.00
NS & I Guildhall Investment A/c Nil
Scottish Widows (Investment) A/c Nil
Scottish Widows Market (Investment) A/c Nil

#### c) New Bank Account

A Verbal report is received by Cllr Frostick regarding the New Lloyds on line banking solutions.

To Discuss and Agree possible consolidation of our existing bank accounts.

**RESOLVED** to keep the main co-op account open

**RESOLVED** to permit Clerk to make the necessary arrangements to Transfer funds from the Santander Market account and close account.

**RESOLVED** – unanimous agreement to keep the Guildhall Co-Op account with no changes.

**RESOLVED** to permit the Clerk to make the necessary arrangement to transfer funds initially to our standard Lloyds account and close the NS&I account.

**RESOLVED** that the two Scottish Widows account be closed and TF funds to Lloyds under investment

All Banking solutions proposed by Cllr. Frostick and Seconded by Cllr. Morgan

## d) EMR's

To **NOTE** the current EMR's at YEAR END accounts close down (2017/18) and to **RESOLVED** AND **AGREE** the actions taken during Year End close down to safeguard unspent allocated funds for which an EMR exists:

- a. **RESOLVED** to Increase EMR 319 Car Park Resurfacing by £1000
- b. **RESOLVED** to Increase EMR 326 Land Purchase by £1000
- c. **RESOLVED** to Increase EMR 327 Clarance house by £3087.32
- d. **RESOLVED** to Increase EMR 352 Remembrance Memorial by £1033.55
- e. **RESOLVED** to Decrease EMR 535 Cllr Training by -£500 (to balance overspend)

#### Future Recommendations by the RFO for council consideration and resolution

To **NOTE** that we are in receipt of £30,001.00 as final payment for the Transfer of land in connection to the site formerly known as Molecular products.

- f. **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** an Increase to EMR 350 Capital Reserve by £30,001.00
- g. **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** that the funds remain in the Parish Councils EMR 352 Fund, totaling £2533.55 The clerk will find out the costs of insurance of the board and the Parish Council will take ownership, Cllr Knight will take this matter up with The Royal British Legion.
- h. **RESOLVED** To future **APPROVE** EMR 356 Charity Commission Cricket Club be increased by £60 upon invoice payment for ground rent.
- i. **RESOLVED** To keep the remaining funds held in EMR 352 Fencing & Walls with a current balance of £2944.230

## e) Precept

To note the first half of the Precept has been received with thanks.

## 17/18.244 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Council Meeting will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at Thaxted Guildhall at 8pm.