WHITE RODING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF WHITE RODING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WHITE RODING SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB ON 22 NOVEMBER 2021

Present:

Clir D Bardell

Cllr H Chaston

Clir V Kelly

Cllr J Spalding

CIIr S Barker Essex County Council (ECC)

Cllr M Lemon Uttlesford District Council (UDC)

P Roberts Parish Clerk

1 Member of the Public

36/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr D Edwards.

37/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interests relating to items on the Agenda

Council Members are reminded that they should submit a revised Declaration if their circumstances have changed. None declared.

38/21 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 September 2021.

After Agenda Item 23/21 was altered to removed Cllr J Spalding & Agenda Item 30/21 was altered to include Cllr V Kelly, the minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman Cllr D Bardell.

39/21 PUBLIC FORUM

An opportunity for members of the public to raise matters of concern. Please note that the Parish Council will be adhering to any current constrictions that have been issued by the Government.

No questions raised by the public.

Cllr S Barker ECC reported:

- She will report to Highways that the village signs had been turned around.
- Highways Panel Agents now have a fuller realisation of the needs of villages within the area.
- Uttlesford District Council are still in discussion about the amount they will put into the Highways Panel schemes budget for 2022/2023.
- Villages now able to purchase speed indicator units, subject to ECC regulations.
- ECC awarded Social Work Employer of the Year 2021.
- ECC awarded Work Individual Team of the Year 2021.

Cllr M Lemon UDC reported:

- The proposed social housing in St Martins Close has been removed from the lists, and Cllr Lemon will continue to update the Parish Council on any issues that may arise.
- Retrospective planning permission has been applied for re removal and work on trees at Bantam House, Church Lane.
- The new Chief Executive Officer of Uttlesford District Council is Mr Peter Holt.
- Possible infrastructure issues regarding access to B183 with the proposed building of 6500 houses.

40/21 CLERKS REPORT

Clerk report and correspondence. Nothing to report.

41/21 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillors to report items of interest. Cllr D Bardell to contact UDC regarding the Local Plan proposals for 6500 new homes.

Cllr J Spalding reported:

• GPO cover in Marks Hall Lane has now been marked and outlined in yellow paint for OutReach to deal with. Cllr H Chaston raised concerns that if additional large numbers of new housing are permitted, the existing road infrastructure and hospitals would not be able to cope.

42/21 FINANCIAL MATTERS.

42/21-1 The following cheques were authorised for payment:

Agenda	Cheque	Details	Amount
Item	Number		
42/21-1.1	300179	Ivan Warboys – Grass Cutting & Strimming Play areas 2021	425.00
42/21-1.2	300180	L J Richardson Payroll Oct- Nov 21	6.00
42/21-1.3	300181	HMRC Tax Oct-Nov 2021	86.60
42/21-1.4	300182	P Roberts Salary Oct-Nov 2021	345.72
42/21-1.5	300183	P Roberts – Expenses Oct- Nov 2021	74.25
Total Payments for November 2021			£937.57

42/21-2 Advise Councillors of current Bank Statement figures. Noted

42/21-3 Advise Council of the Cashbook figures. Noted

43/21 HIGHWAYS

As Cllr S Barker had confirmed Parish Councils now able to purchase Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) & Speed Indicator Signs (SID'S) subject to approval by ECC Highways, the Parish Council decided that before any decision could be made the Parish Clerk should get details regarding costs and the siting of the required equipment could be placed. Cllr S Barker suggested the Clerk contact Barnston Parish Clerk for more information. see Agenda Item 39/21. As always, the speed of traffic passing through local villages is a matter of great concern.

Any other Highway matters to be included in the report to be given to the Local Highways Panel. None to report. No new information concerning the proposed new junction on the M11 but the Parish Council are concerned about any increase in traffic through local villages.

44/21 PLANNING MATTERS

- **44/21-1** Planning Applications for debate & resolution None to discuss
- **44/21-2** Planning Applications Decisions by UDC None to report.

At the Parish Council meeting the Clerk will provide a list of all current UDC planning decisions, which can also be viewed via the Internet as follows:

Log on to <u>www.uttlesforddistrictcouncil.gov.uk</u>

- 1.Planning & building Control
- 2.Application & Decision 3. Search Planning Applications enter either White Roding or the Planning Application Number

44/21-3 Planning issues for debate To discuss any planning related issues of concern. No issues to discuss.

45/21 PLAYGROUND

Update re Playground improvements.

Cllr V Kelly asked the Clerk to contact Wicksteed as there are concerns in how the safety mat under the swings has been laid. Payment to be withheld until the matter is discussed.

46/21 PRECEPT

To approve Precept figure for 2021.

All relevant paperwork was issued to Councillors at the meeting in September. Councillors to approve figure for 2022/2023 that will be submitted to UDC when requested. After discussion a precept figure of £7700 for 2022/2023 was proposed and authorised by the Parish Council.

47/21 NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Items for the next Agenda - discussion of any items listed will take place at the next meeting before any decision are made.

48/21 CONFIRM DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting date was set for 24 January 2022. This may be changed if less than three Councillors are able to attend.

49/21 CLOSE MEETING

Meeting closed at 8.02