

# White Roding PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE WHITE RODING SOCIAL & SPORTS CLUB WHITE RODING ON MONDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2012

**Present:** Cllr P Trendall      **Chairman**  
Cllr D Bardell  
Cllr H Brown  
Cllr J Harrington  
Cllr J Spalding  
**Clerk**      Pat Roberts

### **11 members of the public**

#### **47/12      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All Councillors present

#### **48/12      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, other Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda  
None declared

#### **49/12      CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

After correction of a spelling error the minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 September 2012 were approved as a record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman.

#### **50/12      PUBLIC FORUM**

Member of the public expressed their concern over the planning applications regarding Colville Hall that had been approved by UDC Planning Committee.

Issues raised were:

- Increase of traffic through the village and country lanes
- Queries on how Highway's carry out traffic surveys

- Although the District/County Councillor spoke against the planning applications at UDC Planning Meeting, there was a request to find out if she can do anything else for the village with regard to this matter
- Why no planning officer from UDC will attend a Parish Council meeting and explain the reasons for approving the planning application

Ex Agenda

- District and County Councillors Report  
No report submitted

**51/12**

**CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk gave a verbal report including list of correspondence received since the last meeting

**52/12**

**COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Councillor's reports submitted:

Cllr D Bardell

- WRSSC has received a grant of £4,000 to provide a veranda area at the front of the Clubhouse

Cllr H Brown

- Church improvement – Due to a bequest to the Church a refurbishment of the kitchen and installation of toilets has been achieved
- Redecoration of the Church is the project for next year

Cllr J Harrington

- Several footpaths have over hanging hedges preventing pedestrians from walking on the footpaths

Cllr J Spalding

- Bus Transport – Parish Council is now responsible for replacement and repairs to bus shelters although there is no funding available from outside sources
- From the 1 Oct 2013 bus passes from Essex County Council will be replaced automatically

Cllr P Trendall

Before giving his report the Chairman offered his and his fellow Councillors thanks to Cllr J Harrington for all the work she had done for the village during her time as a White Roding Parish Councillor

- Green Waste – The green waste collection had again proved very popular with parishioners and it would hopefully be continued in 2013, although UDC had yet to inform parishes in the district of the actual cost for the coming year

## **53/12 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

53/12-1 The cheques shown below were approved for payment

Agenda Item	Cheque No.	Details	Amount
53/12-1(1)	100474	Norwood Landscapes	270.00
53/12-1(2)	100475	Audit Commission	162.00
53/12-1(3)	100476	P Roberts – Salary Oct- Nov 2012	305.42
53/12-1(4)	100477	HMRC Oct - Nov 2012	76.40
53/12-1(5)	100478	L Richardson - Payroll	3.00
53/12-1(6)	100479	P Roberts – Expenses Oct- Nov 2012	44.63
<b>Total</b>			<b>£861.45</b>

53/12-2 The Clerk advised the Councillors of current Bank Statement figures

## **54/12 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

The Council was informed that any request to the ECC BSF regarding possible grant funding of speed indicators for the village, would have to be delayed until Highways had carried out speed surveys in the area

## **55/12 HIGHWAYS**

To discuss and approve actions regarding Highways matters of concern to the parish

Repairs to the road surfaces in Matching Lane and Church Lane had been carried out but the road surfaces outside Bretts and in Marks Hall Lane were in a poor condition.

## **56/12 PLANNING MATTERS**

56/12-1 Planning Applications for debate & resolution

56/12-2 Planning Applications approved by UDC

All planning application details are shown on the UDC web site

56/12-3 Planning issues for debate

The Council voiced their disappointment that no planning officer from UDC was able to attend a Parish Council meeting as requested by the Parish Council.

It was also expressed that the views of White Roding Parish on planning matters are generally not being taken into consideration and indeed the UDC Planning Department appeared at times to be very dismissive of the Parish Councils input on planning matters.

It also seems that development somehow appears to be on an ad hoc basis with no cohesive planning policy apparent.

Cllr H Brown to write to UDC Planning and express the Parish Councils views and ask for a meeting with planners to clarify matters of concern.

- 57/12            PRECEPT 2012/13**  
A provisional precept figure for 2013/14 was agreed at £5712 but this will be ratified at the January 2013 meeting after receipt of information in December regarding the Precept grant amount to be allocated to White Roding Parish Council by UDC
- 58/12            UTTLESFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
No invoice regarding Green Waste Charge for 2012 has yet been received; when an invoice is received a letter of thanks to the Green Waste team should be sent with payment.
- 59/12            INFORMATION EXCHANGE/ NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**  
Clerk to contact UDC to enable the Council to follow the correct procedure regarding the appointment of a new Councillor
- 60/12            CONFIRM DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**  
21 January 2012 at 7.30 p.m. WRSSC White Roding
- 61/12            CLOSE MEETING**  
Meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.