

CANEWDON PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Canewdon Village Hall on Wednesday 7th November 2012 at 7.15pm.

Present: Chairman: Cllr. N. Wallace Vice Chairman: Cllr. L. Van Houten
Councillors: Cllr. C. Argent Cllr. R. Kirton
Cllr. C. Nicol Cllr. E. Toleman

Officers: Kelly Holland, Parish Clerk

Members of the public: One

12/150 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs. J. Ince, J. Smith and B. Wallace.

RESOLVED that the apologies be accepted.

12/151 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd October 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

12/152 Progress Report

12/70 - The commemorative bench had installed next to the village sign.

12/139 - An article has been included in the Broomstick, volunteers to spread salt in the High Street are now awaited.

12/141 - The Clerk is liaising with the conservation officer at Essex County Council regarding painting the ironwork on the stocks. Confirmation has been received that the paint is still in liquid form.

The Clerk advised that the precept figure could not be formally approved until the Draft Local Government Finance report had been published. This is expected early December but may not be until after the Parish Council meeting on 5th December 2012.

12/153 Declaration of interests

Cllr. C. Argent declared a personal interest in item 12/163 as he was an allotment tenant;
Cllr. R. Kirton declared a personal interest in item 12/163 as he was an allotment tenant;
Cllr. E. Toleman declared a personal interest in item 12/163 as he was an allotment tenant.

12/154 Public participation session

Following a question regarding the site for the proposed housing allocations, the Clerk advised that the allocations document was awaited from Rochford District Council and was expected by the end of the year.

12/155 **District Councillor's report**

No report was received.

12/156 **Finance**

The list of payments due to be paid was received along with the bank reconciliation for October 2012.

Members discussed making a donation to the Canewdon Christmas card.

RESOLVED that

(a) the following payments be approved and cheque signed:

Mrs K Holland	101408	£909.67
Acumen Wages	101409	£22.20
A & J Lighting Solutions	101410	£681.24
Rochford Printing Company	101411	£198.00
G W Finch Builders	101412	£300.00
DSG Retail	direct debit	£11.00
EDF Energy	direct debit	£342.03

(b) the bank reconciliation figures for September 2012 be approved and accepted;

(c) the Parish Council donate £30.00 to the Canewdon Christmas Card.

12/157 **Planning**

RESOLVED that

(a) the minutes from the planning committee meeting held on 17th October 2012 be noted;

(b) the list of applications determined by the District Council in October 2012 be noted.

12/158 **Closure of Canewdon and Rochford sorting offices**

Following on from minute 12/141(d), members received a letter from Royal Mail advising that residents could still collect parcels from the Post Office in the village.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

12/159 **Emergency Planning**

Members received the suggestions from the Emergency Planning officer at Rochford District Council and subsequent amendments to the Emergency Plan. Further contact information was needed on the plan before adoption.

RESOLVED that the item be deferred to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

12/160 **Salt Strategy**

As mentioned in minute 12/152, volunteers had been requested to help spread salt along the High Street.

RESOLVED that the item be deferred to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

12/161 Community Right to bid

The Community Right to Bid was created in the Localism Act and authorises new powers for communities to help prevent rapid sell off of treasured community assets and buildings so they can be protected. Should one of the assets be placed for sale, the community have six months to prepare a bid to purchase the asset before it can be sold on the open market.

RESOLVED that the following assets be submitted to Rochford District Council:

The Anchor Public House	Congregational Church
The Post Office	St Nicholas' Church
Costcutters	The Shepherd & Dog Public House
The Village Stores	Creeksea Ferry Inn
Village Hall	Essex Marina Bar
Allotments	

12/162 Skate Park

Sport England had confirmed that other local projects do not and will not prevent a project from receiving funding.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the Parish Council pursue a bid for £50,000 from Sport England and request the help from Rochford District Council and the project in Great Wakering;
- (b) Cllrs. L. Van Houten and N. Wallace assist the Clerk in the preparation of the bid.

12/163 Allotments

The water had been turned off and two quotations had been received for fencing.

12/164 Items to be added to next Agenda

None.

12/165 Future Parish Council meetings and events

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th December 2012 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

The next meeting of the planning committee will be held on Wednesday 21st November 2012 in the Trust House at 7.00pm. This meeting will be followed by the budget and precept meeting..

The meeting was closed at 8.13pm

Chairman's Signature

Dated

5th December 2012