# **Tendring Parish Council**

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# Minutes of the meeting of Tendring Parish Council held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 7:30pm at the Tendring Village Hall

Present:	Cllrs Appleby, Cauvain, Conner, Harris and Rippon		
In the Chair:	Cllr Brattan		
Clerk:	Mrs Marie Snell		
Also present:	0 member of the public, 0 member of the press.		

## 02.24.01 Welcome and apologies for absence

Cllr Cronin

#### 02.24.02 Declaration of members' Interests

None

## 02.24.03 Minutes of the last meeting

Members **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of Tendring Parish Council held on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

## **02.24.04 Public Open Forum** (Maximum 15 minutes)

None

# 02.24.05 Planning (since the last Full Council Meeting)

**Applications Received** 

None	• • •		
<u> </u>	Applications De	termined	
	To note determinations of previously considered planning applications as notified l		
	<b>Tendring District</b>		

None

#### 02.24.06 Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting or of Previous Minutes

	Ongoing	
1	Clerk	<b>Min ref 11.25.06</b> Members received an update that the new noticeboard had been received and is going to be put up in Tendring Heath by Cllr Rippon in the coming days.
2	Cllr Harris	<b>Min ref 1.27.08</b> – Village Speedwatch update – Enquiry raised to Lead of Community Speedwatch for available training dates so volunteers can be obtained, even if members have attended before, anyone reattending will need to take part in familiarity training.
3	Cllr Brattan	Min ref 11.25.06 – Members received update on Scarecrow Event (3 <sup>rd</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> May 2025) (Historic Figures), around 12 scarecrows have been submitted to feature. Members discussed associated costs of hall hire, signage and posts, bunting and refreshments on both Saturdays (11am-4pm) with appeals for contributions. Members RESOLVED to agree budget for event at £350 Members discussed prizes for relevant elements of the event and FURTHER RESOLVED to obtain trophies and book vouchers at a further costing of £30.

# 02.24.07 County and District Councillor reports

Members noted February report from County Councillor Representative Cllr Guglielmi. District Councillor representative Cllr Harris explained the concept of the Local Plan with a revised figure dropping from 1054 to 1034, the figure in the current plan is 550 which is likely to be unachievable. A Nationwide concept from central government which affects Tendring Village in how there were originally 6 plans and now 4 with only 2 viable options to be considered. This means avoiding all the large developments, but small villages should expect 20-50 houses and applications will be looked at to facilitate. Cllr Brattan asked if consideration would be given to local land and Cllr Harris advised it would be dependent on the application of site, to be decided on a case-by-case basis. Cllr Appleby asked if there is a consideration for the type of houses to be built, and Cllr Harris offered he believed it would but depends on the policy within the plan which there is sympathy and support for self-builds, in terms of sizes of bedrooms etc., parking, this all is considered. The number of houses to be built in the Tendring District is 7000-8000, to be achieved by 2033. The plan dictates approximately 2000 houses in Harwich, with the concept of 'garden villages' to be considered, the 'metro plan' with houses along the train line within the district. Along the railway, it could be more than 1800 between Frinton and Frating. Larger sites to be implemented to be built at Horseley Cross and along the A120, there will likely be an extension of employment sites in various areas including Horseley Cross, Weeley and Frating. In Weeley, 300 houses are expected but likely to be more than this, on top of what has already been approved, and likely sites were expressed by CIIr Harris, who is actively campaigning against such in his attempts to keep villages as villages without turning them into overdevelopment and town like areas. Cllr Brattan gueried if there are plans for infrastructure for such a plan and Cllr Harris offered this is being investigated with Essex County Council have a further 10 years in addition to the building time to implement such which may not be attainable. The larger areas and infrastructure must feature within these places of builds.

The consultation period (from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March until Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April) will offer councils to assess numbers and put forward to central government the possibility of this plan. From the consultation taking place, the plan will be published in September with further consultation thereafter with a final plan published in Winter 2025. It was advised that without government policy, the numbers probably would have risen by only marginally, this has now been changed on a nationwide basis. Cllr Harris also explained in his part in Full Cabinet meeting recently, featuring crime figures and statistics regarding child poverty, unemployment and suicide rates. The effects of National Insurance increases on Tendring District Council was queried by Cllr Harris in the cabinet meeting which will see an increase of 53% increase (40% retained from central government) with staffing cuts taking place in small businesses around the district with inevitable increases in unemployment.

#### 02.24.08 Annual Parish Meeting

Members discussed the forthcoming APM meeting (March), for village groups to attend and express their community input for Tendring Village with 7-8 groups planned to attend. Cllr Brattan is liaising with the groups for them to attend. Cllr Cauvain expressed this need for a meeting in understanding the groups of the village and where applicable any concerns in numbers or replacement volunteers necessary for groups. Members **RESOLVED** for the Annual Parish Meeting to be

held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm following the Parish Council meeting held at 7.00pm.

#### 02.24.09 Finance

- Members **RESOLVED** to approve the following schedule of payments:

Payable to:	Amount/£	Reference
Sovereign	700.72	Rubber Mulch Repair and Metal Post Foot
Sovereign	4412.95	Supply and Installation of Nest Swing
Clerk Salary	452.40	February Payroll
HMRC	103.20	P30 Employer's Pay Slip – February

- Members **RESOLVED** to apply for a bank card with Unity at the cost of set-up fee of £50 and subsequent monthly payments of £3 per month.
- Members received an update from Cllr Appleby following quarterly independent review of the accounts, all is in order.

#### 02.24.10 Previous Payments

Members noted monthly direct debits paid accordingly:

Payable to	Agreed (minute ref)	Amount/£
Sky Mobile	6.24.15	13.00
Bank Charges	3.25.15	5.40

# 02.24.11 Parish Councillor reports

- <u>Cllr Cauvain</u> Litter pick date is 13<sup>th</sup> April and two clear weeks before Scarecrow Event and in avoiding Easter Weekend with hopes for many volunteers to begin at the Village Hall at 10.30am. Advertised on Facebook and village magazine.
- <u>Cllr Rippon</u> Querying Cllr Harris' update on planning and asked about the open site up at Tendring Heath, with thoughts of approximately 12 potential houses could be built in this area. Also raised concern that there is still no bus timetable at Tendring Heath and the clerk confirmed she would chase again.
- <u>Cllr Harris</u> Local Government Reorganisation explained a mayoral election to take place in May 2026 with a mayor of Essex to be elected with significant powers in planning. County and District Councils are in communications with moving fast and a proposal put forward to TDC on 11<sup>th</sup> March regarding unitary councils. What is certain is the pairing with Colchester and their plans for housing may feature up the boundary of Tendring District. Cllr Harris expressed more house building proposals, there will likely be a speed limit implemented and enforced through Tendring Village.
- <u>Cllr Appleby</u> Awaiting two quotes for the new piece of play equipment for Goose and Green and hopes to present at next meeting.
- <u>CIIr Brattan</u> Potholes which have recently been repaired in Crow Lane, flooding investigations are ongoing with hopes for meeting with CIIr Guglielmi.

# 02.24.12 Items for the next agenda

None

#### 02.24.13 Date of Next Meeting

Cllr Brattan confirmed the date of the next meeting: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2025, to commence at 7.30pm at Tendring Village Hall.

CHAIRMAN	DATE
The chairman closed the meeting at 8.38pm.	