

TENDRING PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting

Minutes

Monday 27 November at 7.30pm in Tendring Village Hall, The Street, Tendring

In Attendance : Cllr J Brattan, Cllr N Rippon, Cllr V Cauvain, Cllr P Harris and Cllr R Cronin - Minute Taker and 8 Members of the public

Cllr J Brattan stated that the meeting would be recorded for the purposes of minute taking.

11.27.01 Apologies for Absence

Cllr C Guglielmi – absent , no apology received.

11.27.02 Declaration of Interests

Cllr J Brattan declared an interest in a planning application relating to the school as she was soon to become a School Governor.

10 25.03 Minutes of Meeting on Monday 23 October 2023

There was one correction to the minutes of the previous meeting – 23/01372/Ful Messr Mr A Blake and Mr P Norris. This should read – “The protection of nocturnal wildlife was considered important and the precedent of buildings filling in the open space between the council houses at Goose Green and the Green.

Minutes were then agreed as a correct record of the previous meeting

Proposer VC Secunder NR

11.27.04 Public Questions

A member of the public raised concerns in respect of speeding vehicles particularly around the Green. There had been four incidents in the last year. He had raised this with the Police commissioner but had not had a response. He felt that speeding restriction has to be enforced and he was asking for support for vehicle activated speed signs. The residents felt that a fatality was highly possible and it was a disgrace that this would have to happen before anything was done.

The chair agreed with these concerns and stated that 30 MPH speed limit required a certain density of population and that the activated speed signs were around £4000 each to install, this would require separate additional fundraising. Sticky labels for bins to reinforce the speed limit was also an option and these can be purchased. Cllr V Cauvain said she would approach Weeley for the details around the cost of their labels for a similar initiative.

The incidents have occurred both in the day and the night. Cllr P Harris also stated that Speed watch would be started again in the new year and he would like to encourage residents to participate.

It was proposed that the council along with residents should have a co-ordinated approach to register their concerns about road safety in the village. It was felt important that there was a fair distribution of any safety measures as this affected the whole village and not just the Green. Further action was needed to agree the best ways forward and a separate focus group to be established with local representation. All encouraged to provide email contact details so that all interested parties could be invited to the focus group.

Proposer RC Secnder NR

Cllr Harris also wished to raise the issue of the recent refusal of planning permission for Mr Richardson in respect of the haulage yard development at the Heath, which would hopefully have seen strict controls on access and egress and reduction in haulage traffic. However permission had been refused due to highways stating their was insufficient visual splay at the entrance for safe egress from the site.

11.27.05 – A new parish councillor, Michelle Appleby, was co-opted onto the Council as agreed by the councillors and was welcomed to her first meeting. The new Parish Council Clerk was also introduced and the next meeting of the council would be her first official meeting.

11.27.06 Action Points from October Meeting

1	Cllr Brattan	Change to email address – we were still awaiting information from the Weeley council regarding this.
2	Cllr Cronin	No update has been received from BGG regarding the new entrance for DDSL – there were concerns in respect of the proposed location of the bus stop and there needs to be further discussion about alternatives as the lay-by stipulated in the original planning permission was now not feasible due to highways concerns. It was agreed that the parish council should continue to fight for a safer option for the bus stop as the bus stop was definitely located to the South of Pilcox Hall lane and everyone to be encouraged to respond to revised planning permission application.
3	Cllr Brattan and Cllr Rippon	Update on A Christmas Carol event was agenda for later in the meeting.
4	Cllr Brattan and Cllr Rippon	The selection process for the new Parish Secretary has now concluded with the appointment of Karen Mackintosh. Cllr Brattan stressed that there had been a good field of candidates for the post and she was pleased with the appointment of Clerk/RFO/.
5	Cllr Cronin	We still require an additional quote for posts at Goose Green.

11.27.07 Planning

Received:

23/01280/FUL - Change of use for siting 5 Holiday Lodges at the Stables, Heath Road (Wallis Butchers)

This application was discussed and the following concerns were raised – Lack of ecological survey for the proposal, additional traffic would increase the loose stones at the entrance to come onto the road and the junction visibility . Cllr Harris stated that the Tendring District Council wished to encourage Tourism and the council proposed to put forward their concerns but had no objection in principle with the application.

Proposer RC Seconder VC

23/01539/LBC - Proposed conversion of existing Coach House to 2 bed residential accommodation, Mauds Court, Long Lane (Listed building consent)

23/01540/FUL - Proposed conversion of existing Coach House to 2 bed residential accommodation, Mauds Court, Long Lane

The council wished to support these two related applications. Proposer VC Seconder RC

TENOP/4954/23 Temporary Event notice Licensable activity Wreath making -Tendring Primary School 30.11.2023 18.30-21.00 Information only

Cllr Brattan did not take part in the voting on this application – the council had no objections to the temporary event licence.

23/01662/FUL Proposed alterations to site layout and access to serve additional production and storage space approved under 22/01924/VOC.Delta Design Systems Ltd The Green Tendring Clacton On Sea Essex CO16 0BU (late notice)

The council had previously in the meeting discussed their concerns and objections to the proposed entrance particularly in respect of the location of the bus stop and safety of bus users, pedestrians and drivers in the area as the proposed new location would result in congregation of passengers obscuring the view of drivers. There was no safe space whilst waiting for the bus or a sufficient hard standing for bus users and pedestrians in the area.

The council wished to object to the new proposal and ask for reconsideration of the location of the bus stop to its historical original location and hard standing for the persons using the bus stop to maintain safety. It was felt that this should be called to the planning committee by Cllr Harris.

Proposer VC Seconder RC

Determined:

23/01260/TCA - Fell Lime tree on roadside boundary, St Edmund King and Martyr Church - Approved.

23/01457/NMA - Add solar panels to 3 properties, the Laurels, Parsonage Lane - Approved on Appeal, non material amendment.

23/01388/WTPO Michael Garland remove growth from Oak tree Approved

23/01469 TCA Mr Westwood Reduce 2 Maple Trees at Trenwith House Approved

22/00053/FUL Mr C Richardson Conversion of existing haulage yard to a new factory unit Refusal

Cllr Harris stated that Mr Richardson wished to speak to the council with regard to future plans for the site. It was proposed to invite him to the Jan meeting of the council.

23/01432/VOC - Drop Kerb outside Orchard Cottage, the Heath has also been refused.

Appeals none notified

11.27.08 Planning for A Christmas Carol Event.

Cllr Brattan outlined the catering arrangements – mince pies have been secured from local supermarkets and tea and coffee would be requested from other retailer/ company donations.

Cllr Rippon confirmed that 62 tickets have been sold so far and this would be monitored to ensure catering was sufficient. The capacity of the church was a maximum of 150. Payment links were now available to go straight to the parish council account and the council had the ability to take card payments. The box office on the evening will be the village hall.

Cllr Brattan – asked Cllr Cauvain to outline the risk assessment for the event. High Vis jackets for safe crossing of the road. Adequate lighting for seating in the Church and extra caution around safe egress from the church as there is only one small entrance. As the event would be candlelit there was a need to ensure candles were not too close to any clothing. There would also be a safety briefing prior to commencement of the event.

Cllr Brattan – asked for volunteers for the evening and to conduct some additional leaflet drops for the event. Cllr Rippon to email the small poster to the other councillors.

11.27.09 Proposal and Authorisation of signatories

Cllr Brattan updated that there were still issues with the banking arrangements to be resolved but these were progressing. Internet banking is still to be finalised however telephone banking was now in place.

The new Clerk would need to be added as a signatory.

11.27.10 Payments for approval

Payable to:	Amount/£:	Reference:
Belissima Shipping	518.79	Rental for Goose Green
Bank charges	5	
Sum up reimbursing Cllr Nick Rippon	28.9	SumUp device purchase
Poppy Wreath to J Brattan	31.48	Poppy Wreath
Tendring Village Hall	135	Bookings for 2024 meetings
Tendring Village Hall	27	Booking for A Christmas Carol

These costs were discussed and payment was proposed.
Proposer RC Secnder MA

11.27.11. Resignation of Cllr Ted Edwards

After the last meeting in October Cllr Edwards had resigned from the council. He had been a Councillor since 2016 and chair for 5 years. He was thanked in his absence for his significant contribution. He would be missed for his attention to detail and expertise in planning. He was thanked for his service particularly in regard to open spaces and school liaison.

11.27.12 County Councillor and District Councillor reports

County Councillor monthly report. Not received at time of issue of agenda

Cllr Harris – he reported that he was no longer on the planning committee for the Tendring District council and could now take part in planning discussions at Parish council meetings. He was no longer a Conservative councillor but was now the vice chair of the Tendring Residents Alliance. – this was a new group that had been formed.

He also raised again the issue of the proposed change of time to the Tendring District council planning Committee to 17.00 from 18.00. He stated he was concerned that this would limit public participation in the meeting. The council agreed to support Cllr Harris and agreed with his concerns. A letter of support would be prepared – he would provide email address of three people that the letter should go to – cllr Maria Fowler, John Pateman-Gee and monitoring officer – Lisa Hastings.

Proposer VC Seconder RC

11.27.13 Councillor Updates

Cllr Rippon – stated he was still in discussion with Elysium Healthcare in respect of the planning permission proposal for the new bus stop at the Heath. It was important that the design was complementary to the village.

Cllr Cauvain - asked for the emergency plan update to be on the next meeting agenda as this has been delayed awaiting Tendring District Council approval.

Cllr Brattan – asked for email addresses for those interested in being involved in the focus group to combat speeding through the village.

A member of the public asked about the Christmas tree for the village. Cllr Brattan confirmed that this had been too late for this year but would be discussed on the April agenda ready for next Christmas.

9.23.14 Councillors to put forward ideas for the Agenda for the next meeting

Cllr Cronin – raised concerns over Tendring District council not recognising the Green and insisting on Clacton Rd being part of the address for residents of the Green.

**9.23.15 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 19 December at 7.30pm (planning only)
Meeting Closed at 21.09hrs**