



Theydon Bois Parish Council

Parish Office, The Village Hall, Coppice Row,
Theydon Bois, Essex CM16 7ER

Clerk to the Council: Ms Julie Taylor
Secretary & Assistant to the Clerk: Mrs Elizabeth Thomas

Minutes of the Parish Council held at The Village Hall at 8.00pm on Thursday 26th November 2015

- Councillors Present:** Cllrs Philip (Chair), Gooch, Howard, Wood, Purkiss.
- Apologies:** Cllrs McDonald, Vincent, Hannibal, Hammond, Jones and Elizabeth Thomas (Assistant Clerk)
- Officers Present:** Julie Taylor (Parish Clerk and RFO)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs McDonald, Vincent, Hannibal, Hammond, Jones and Elizabeth Thomas Assistant Clerk

2. To discuss and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29th October 2015.

Signed as a true record by Cllr John Philip.

3. Declarations of Interest (existence and nature) with regard to items on the agenda. Members of the Council are subject to the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 (SI.2007/1159)(The Revised Code)

None

4. Public Participation Session with regard to items on the Agenda.

5. Correspondence – Clerks Report

6. Finance and General Purposes Committee/Community Liaison Committee

6.1 Payments made since the last meeting were approved.

6.2 Budget Update – Cllr Philip stated that he is working with the Finance Committee and by next meeting 20th January 2016 we will be able to take projected budget to Full Council. At the moment we are hoping to keep a flat rate.

6.3 A decision could not be made, as some enquires need to be made with Essential Security. As we do not know if they are visiting regularly and we would like a full report. Cllr Gooch and Vincent are to make an appointment with Essential Security to discuss. All in favour.

8. Planning Committee

Sixteen String Jack: Cllrs Whitehouse & Philip spoke excellently at meeting at District on Monday. Cllr Gooch thanks John Philip, who proposed and seconded refusal. We await next step. Cllr Gooch emailed Nigel Richardson of EFDC and they are now duty bound to the council's decision. Planners will inspect parking issues there – the site is similar to Banner Homes development so we would like to see that which will be expected by residents. Noted differences between Banner & Anderson Committee – Banner took on board our opinions and worked with us for a successful development.

IBacio: Application to extend alcohol licence and include serving of alcohol outside. Respond on Dec 15 2015. This is still in dispute of ownership; writing to the owner. There is evidence the lease does not include the frontage unless changing it, or the owner giving permission. Licensing team may or may not take that on board. Formal complaints from Enforcement have been issued.

Neighbour, Mr Hurst reports: existing licence does not include that area, thus violating licence. Public nuisance on both evenings. Front doors open until after 11. People leave the restaurant with loud voices and swearing. Stereo system in restaurant is loud. Glass recycling happens at 5.20am. If licence is granted it will get worse.

Public safety issue: people park poorly on pavements etc and block the driveways and access to Buxton Road. Children sometimes play in the street and one child has already had an incident with a car.

Planning permission has 3 conditions – safeguard community residents of the site, bifolds must not open till 9pm, food to be served 9pm at tables; no amp should be on when bifolds are open. Dec 10 – to go on planning agenda.

Lorries: Continuing problem re. commuters – re. damage by Biffa refuse truck. Kerbs have been knocked and truck has gone onto the Green, causing damage. NEPP will act quicker when there are yellow lines, although there is difficulty in getting these. Remind County council about off street parking. Biffa lorries are getting bigger and must do a lot of manoeuvres. Police have no powers of yellow lines. We have no evidence re. Biffa lorry. Dec 17 – public session re. Biffa to occur. Comment thjat we can't chase people ruining verges as the verges are outside the planning area so we can't condition it.

Pothole: On major route outside 16 String Jack, please report this.

9. Highways and Environment Committee

Cllr comment: at zebra crossing, elderly people are getting soaked at the bus shelter in wet weather. JT to write and report issue.

10. Cemetery Committee

No new reports.

11. Community Liaison

Seniors Event: With Brick Lane Music Hall on December 4.

NHS Meeting: Went well, very well-attended. 5 GPs and rep from WECCG came. Telephone system – they are conscious of this. Appointments, delays and emergency appointments – covered. Intermittent closures – covered. We may need to arrange another meeting of this in 6-8 months time.

Cllr Wood: a lot of people said well done and appreciated the meeting and Parish Council involvement.

12. Health Matters

Covered earlier

Resident comment - Crime stats reports from Essex Community include 6 burglaries on Hornbeam Road. Proposal to close Loughton Police Station – we are not getting enough support against criminals. PCSOs will be a presence still. Loughton will still retain a police base. PCC and District have a shared facility where it is effective to have a police counter. They are mainly daytime break-ins.

14. Date Of Next Meeting:

January 28 2016

15. Any Other Urgent Business for Report (without decision)

None

16. Following Agenda items will exclude Public and Press

None.

Councillor Philip closed the meeting at 8.45pm