

24/23

Election of Councillors for sub-committees

Group 1 - Finance, Standards and Procedures
Group 2 – Infrastructure & Asset Management
Group 3 – Community Relations
Group 4 – Planning
Group 5 – Traffic & Highways

This item has been deferred to a Parish Council meeting on Monday 20th May 2024 at 6.30 p.m. in the Duchy Barn – this meeting is not open to the public.

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Public Open Forum (Maximum 15 minutes)

A resident asked about the flowers being displayed in the flower tubs on the high Street in Dedham. Chairman Steve Mole was actioned to order flowers for the flower tubs and also for the village war memorial.

Cllr Andrew McLaughlin explained that the flowers at the war memorial may have been damaged by some local youngsters.

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To approve the minutes of the last meeting (8th April 2024)

The minutes of the last meeting were approved

Proposed: Cllr Steve Mole

Seconded: Cllr Douglas Bourn

Agreed by all

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Visitors Report

None

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Clerk's Report

None

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Group 1 - Finance, Standards and Procedures Report

To approve payments in accordance with the Budget

Payments for May 2024

Parish Clerk Salary	£600.00
HMRC	£138.00
Clear Insurance	£1,684.52
Colchester City Council	£2075.70
Duchy Barn	£300.00
Classique Design	£932.10
Armour Engineering Ltd	£1,773.60
Internal Audit	£260.00
Moser Groundcare	£1,224.00
LMC Media Management	£120.00
Daniel Freeman	£2019.60
Colchester City Council	<u>£42.70</u>
Total	<u>£11,170.22</u>

Proposed: Cllr Paul Harrison

Seconded: Cllr Steve Mole

Agreed by all

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**To review the effectiveness of the system of internal control (Internal Audit)
Chairman to sign the AGAR**

To approve the AGAR – the AGAR was signed by the Chairman and the Proper Officer.

Proposed: Cllr Steve Mole

Seconded: Cllr Paul Harrison

Agreed by all

240227 – 38 Parsons Field, Dedham – application for variation of condition 5 and removal of condition 7 following grant of planning permission 213326 (Amended Description)

Decision: Approve Conditional

240303 – Peartree Cottage, 8 Coopers Lane, Dedham – erection of purpose-built timber storage shed to provide secure storage of Massey Ferguson tractor and Teagle pasture topper.

Decision: Approve Conditional

240550 – Little House, High Street, Dedham – removal of existing dormers with windows. Replace existing dormers with new traditional lead dormers and new traditional painted timber windows. Remove existing roof tiles and replace with new hand-made traditional clay tiles.

Decision: Refuse

36.4 **Petalo Lodge**

Chairman Steve Mole will make contact with CCC Thomas Rowe to discuss planning applications relating to Petalo Lodge.

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Group 5 – Traffic & Highways

Cllr Gill Neville informed the meeting that the new 30 mph stickers for use on bins are being handed out and used on the roads where traffic is moving too fast around the village.

Cllr Gill Neville informed the meeting that the school had been involved in the speeding campaign and children from the school had drawn up posters asking people to slow down. These were distributed around at the meeting for all to see.

Cllr Gill Neville proposed that the Parish Council turn these into larger versions using Correx. The cost for each one would be Aprox. £100.

Proposed: Cllr Gill Neville

Seconded: Cllr Douglas Bourn

Agreed by all

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Barfields Almhouses (Steve White)

The Parish Council discussed the quote for Barfields Almhouses Garden Rejuvenation Project and it was agreed that the Parish Council would pay the amount of £1,865.90 (including VAT). The Parish Council would claim back the VAT of £310.98.

Cllr Paul Harrison proposed that we accept paying the amount of the quote towards this project.

Proposed: Cllr Paul Harrison

Seconded: Cllr Steve Mole

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Asset Register

The Parish Clerk reported that the Parish Council has £406,796 worth of assets at the 31/03/24.

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Training/Events

40.1 Reports on attended events

40.2 Nominations for new events – The Parish Clerk was actioned to advise the new Parish Councillors of training courses that would be suitable for them.

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Information Exchange/Items for next agenda

Cllr Steve Mole reported that a meeting would be set up to discuss issues along the river.

Cllr Douglas Bourn informed the meeting that regular checks on the river quality were being conducted by a group from Manningtree. Cllr Douglas Bourn will publicise findings of water quality and publicise to all concerned groups.

Chairman Steve Mole offered thanks to Councillors Sheila Beeton, Jonathan Smith & Sandra Williams for all their hard work and efforts on behalf of the Parish Council over the years.

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To confirm date and time of next meeting

Date of next meeting: Monday 3rd June 2024 at 6.30 p.m.

Meeting finished at 7.57 p.m.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date.....