



MANNINGTREE TOWN COUNCIL

APPROVED

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting

held in the Community Room on

Thursday 15th December, 2016 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr. M. Morsley (Chair) Cllr. R. Stocks
Cllr. P. Hughes-Stanton Cllr. J. Charlesworth
Cllr. M. Taylor Cllr. L. Lay-Flurrie
Cllr. H. Jones

In attendance: District Cllr. A. Coley County Cllr. C. Guglielmi
Mrs. L. Djuve-Wood (Clerk)

97/16 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

98/16 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th November, having been circulated previously, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

99/16 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

100/16 Public Participation Session

There were no members of the public present.

101/16 Reports from the District and County Councils

District Cllr. A. Coley presented the district report, summarised as follows (the complete report can be found on MTC's website):

- TDC have approved an outline application of up to 70 new homes to be built on undeveloped land north of Stourview Avenue in Mistley;
- TDC has endorsed setting up a company owned equally by TDC, Braintree District Council, Colchester Borough Council and ECC which is looking at creating a garden community on the borders of Tendring and Colchester. The project involves 7,000 to 9,000 new homes as well as jobs, infrastructure and quality environments over a period of circa 50 years;
- Once again, residents and businesses in Tendring can register their interest in switching their gas or electricity supplier through ECC and TDC's collective energy switching scheme. The money saving scheme is open between 6th Dec '16 and 14th Feb '17;
- TDC's free parking scheme is set to continue again next year. It is anticipated that residents can register for next year's permit during the first week of January;
- Four new working parties set up to tackle a three-year budget gap of £4.765m in Tendring have demonstrated the size of the challenge with revenue savings of £268,000 and £528,000 having been identified for 2017/18 and 2018/19 respectively so far;
- TDC has until 9th January to come up with proposals for new ward boundaries across Tendring which will see the number of councillors reduced from 60 to 48;
- Calls have been made for speed cameras and no overtaking restrictions to be introduced on the A133 Weeley to Clacton bypass.

County Cllr. C. Guglielmi presented the county report, summarised as follows (the complete report can be found on MTC's website):

- A map detailing nine possible options for a new stretch of the A120 has been released ahead of a public consultation in the New Year;
- Plans for 60 new 'independent living' homes designed to support older people could be built in Coppins Road, Clacton;
- ECC's innovative approach towards housing and care for older people – recently welcomed in Parliament as an example for other local authorities to follow – is a hit with Essex residents too;
- The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs and Animal and Plant Health Agency has declared an Avian Influenza Prevention Zone to help protect poultry from a strain of Avian

- Flu in Europe, by keeping them indoors for the next 30 days;
- ECC is calling on the Government to delay its plans to cut education funding from next year, amid concerns the outstanding improvements made by Essex schools could be undone;
- Older people have been personalising their walking frames as part of Essex County Council's unique "Pimp My Zimmer" campaign.

102/16 Progress Report from the Clerk

133/15 To consider initiating a campaign to persuade ECC to repair the deteriorating roads and paths in Manningtree C. Cllr. C. Guglielmi reported that both South Street and High Street has been scheduled by ECC Highways to be resurfaced during the spring of 2017.

64/16 To consider nominations for the Community Engagement Award The award ceremony will be held during the Business Chamber's meeting in February. The clerk is to get the award engraved in time for the ceremony. **Action: Clerk**

103/16 Report from the Planning Committee

A planning meeting was held prior to the full council meeting and separate minutes have been issued for this meeting.

104/16 Reports from Representatives on other committees

Cllr. Charlesworth reported that he had attended the TDALC meeting where concerns had been expressed about increased fly tipping following the new regulations at recycling centres.

105/16 Highways/Environment

a) To discuss the replacing of oak posts on South Street (item 76/16 c)

Having considered quotes from four different companies it was **RESOLVED** that the council will accept J.H. Tree Services quote of £345.00 to replace the wooden posts on South Street using oak timber. The clerk to inform all four companies of the council's decision. **Action: Clerk**

b) To discuss request from Little Bromley Parish Council to object to the changes at the Lawford Recycling Centre

RESOLVED that the council will not join Little Bromley Parish Council in their objection campaign.

106/16 Finance

a) To approve monthly bank reconciliation figures

RESOLVED that the monthly bank reconciliation figures be approved.

b) To sign letter to Barclays requesting monthly standing order for Webfactory in the sum of £17.99

RESOLVED that the letter be signed.

c) To approve payments/cheques for signature in accordance with the 2016/17 budget:

RESOLVED that the following payments be approved:

Item	Amount
Monthly salary Mrs L Djuve-Wood (including expenses)	£539.54
Environmental Design (grass cutting November)	£48.00
Suffolk County Council (AONB S137 payment)	£100.00
Colne Housing (rent community room)	£22.00
HMRC Quarterly Income Tax	£16.80
A&J Lighting (Light on Stour Street)	£147.59

107/16 Consultations and Surveys

a) To consider responding to the Electoral Review Tendring District Council: Warding Arrangements

RESOLVED that the clerk is to respond to the consultation proposing that Lawford, Manningtree, Mistey and Bradfield be made one ward. **Action: Clerk**

108/16 Items from councillors to be added to the next agenda

- a) To consider replanting the area along the Walls on the border of Manningtree and Mistley.

There being no further business the Mayor closed the meeting at 8.25 p.m.

Signed..... *L. Kay-Hessie* Dated..... *19-1-17*