**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Pavilion**

**On 14th July 2022 at 8pm**

# **Present:**

Councillor R Collins (Chairman), Councillor K Hornett, Councillor C Knapman, Councillor L Kane, Clerk, two members of the public.

# **22/18 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Armstrong.

# **22/19 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th May 2022 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

# **22/20 Declarations of Interest**

None received.

# **22/21 Maldon District Councillor Update**

## District Councillor Siddall sent his apologies, but provided the following update:

* Now 57 Ukrainian refugees in the district, with the largest number in Wickham Bishops.
* Successful events on the prom – plan to hold more throughout the year and in the future.
* Part of the district classified as level 1 under the Government’s Levelling-Up fund. Funding has been applied for to develop Hythe Quay and to construct a heritage centre.
* Looking at the structure of the planning department to enable it to become more effective.
* Local Development Plan review will now finish at a later date due to the resources being used for the Levelling-Up application.
* Now have a full planning enforcement team.
* Meeting with leadership team – poor direct response from officers to Parish Councils was raised. If there are incidents where this happens, please let Councillor Siddall know.

# **22/22 Public Participation Session**

One member of the public raised the following:

* Footpath hedging with fallen trees blocking the route – Old Forge to Sextons Lane.

# **22/23 Planning**

**23.1** The Parish Council’s ‘**no** **objection**’ response (made outside of a meeting) to the following application was noted: 22/00009/HOUSE & 22/00010/LBC – Various works at Brickhouse, Braxted Road, Kelvedon. It was noted that Maldon District Council has since granted permission.

**23.2** 22/00666/FUL – Construction of new access on land at Sunnymead, Braxted Park Road, Great Braxted. **No objection**.

**23.3** 22/00764/FUL – Erection of four new build dwellings at Barn A at The Barn, Braxted Park Road, Great Braxted. **Objection**.

# **22/24 Marking the Death of a Senior National Figure**

**It was resolved that** on the death of a senior national figure, the Parish Council’s website will direct residents to national and local arrangements for tributes, and a statement from the Chairman will be published.

# **22/25 Remembrance Day Event**

Wickham Bishops Parish Council’s decision to no longer part-fund the road closure required for the Remembrance Day event was noted. Alternative funding proposals will be put forwards to Wickham Bishops and Little Braxted Parish Councils and reported at the September meeting.

# **22/26 Code of Conduct**

**It was resolved that** the Parish Council to adopt the new Maldon District Council Code of Conduct.

# **22/27 Accounts for Payment**

**It was resolved that** the accounts for payment between 13th May 2022 and 14th July 2022 be approved as follows:

Staff costs £539.20

Office expenses £18.00

DW Maintenance £725.00

BHIB Ltd (insurance) £347.68

Master J Knight £270.00

RCCE £52.80

ID Mobile £12.00

Maldon District Council £258.77

Unity Trust Bank £18.00

# **22/28 General Announcements**

The following matters were raised:

* The Pavilion Committee intend to extend the car park. Plans were circulated. Further information will be obtained and the Parish Council will decide on funding to be provided for this project at the September meeting.

## **Meeting closed at 9.15pm**