

GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on the 8th May 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Goldhanger

Cllrs Present

J Bourn (Chair)

H Reynolds

M Bishop

C Cheeseman

S Ellis

M Sargeant

The Parish Clerk, District Councillor and 1 members of the Parish

026/24	To appoint a Chairman for 2024/2025 Cllr Reynolds proposed Cllr Bourn as Chairman and this was seconded by Cllr Bishop. Unanimously agreed and Cllr Bourn signed the declaration of Office as Chairman for 2024/2025	
027/24	To appoint a Vice Chairman for 2024/2025 Cllr Bourn proposed Cllr Reynolds as Vice Chairman and this was seconded by Cllr Bishop. Unanimously agreed and Cllr Reynolds signed the declaration of Office as Vice Chairman for 2024/2025	
028/24	To receive apologies for absence None	
029/24	To receive any Declarations of Interest Declaration of interests were received from Cllr Bishop, Cheeseman and Ellis re Agenda item 20	
030/24	To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th April 2024 The minutes were approved by the council and duly signed by the Chairman	
031/24	To receive information on outstanding items included in the above minutes The Clerk advised that she had now caught up with the outstanding work other than the request for a horse sign	

032/24	<p>Public Questions – an opportunity for members of the public to raise matters with the members</p> <p>None</p>	
033/24	<p>Chairmans Announcements</p> <p>The Chairman advised that she had posted various events on Facebook – Turtle dove reporting, Ride London, Dementia awareness event, D Days commemorative beacons event in Maldon</p> <p>Also commented that we need to spread awareness of road closures for Ride London</p> <p>Wash Bridge rebuilds were also noted as well as logged accidents since 2023</p>	
034/24	<p>Reports or updates from County Councillors and District Councillors</p> <p>A report had been received from Cllr Durham</p>	
035/24	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>Decisions by MDC</u></p> <p><u>24/00175 Vaulty Manor, Goldhanger Road – Temporary erection of a yurt - Refused</u></p> <p><u>Planning Applications</u></p> <p>24/00350 3 Hall Estate – Part single/part two storey rear extension. Addition of a window to the front elevation Support</p> <p>24/05069 30 Fish Street – Compliance with conditions notification 23/00975. Proposed first floor rear extension to go above existing ground floor. Proposed log burner flue to go in place of former chimney. Condition 3 – weatherboarding detail. Condition 4 – samples or photos of the external materials. No further action needed</p> <p>24/00378 9a Church Street - T1 and T2 Lime trees- pollard by 3m Support</p> <p>24/00373 8 St Peters Close - Proposed single storey rear extension Support</p> <p>To consider any other planning issues</p> <p>None</p>	
036/24	<p>To appoint any Committees, Working Groups or Representatives</p>	

	<p>Allotments Representative – Cllr Cheeseman Village Hall Representative – Cllr Ellis Playing Field – All Councillors</p>	
037/24	<p>To agree Meeting dates for 2024/25 It was agreed to continue to meet the second Wednesday each month at 7.30pm</p>	
038/24	<p>To review The Parish Council Insurance The increase was noted, as there was not time to get further quotes before payment was due it was resolved to insure for another year and next year to seek quotes earlier</p>	Clerk
039/24	<p>To receive the financial statements and authorize accounts for payment on Jan Payment schedule Clerks Salary - £242.09 HMRC - £14.20 RCCE - £59.70 Clear Ins- £447.49 The above payments were resolved to be accepted for payment It was noted that funds were lower than you would expect but this was due to not receiving precept in April. Clerk advised that she had recently received remittance form from MDC advising payment would be made in the next four working days. It was also noted that due to an administrative error two allotment payments had been paid into the wrong bank account. This has now been rectified by the Clerk by means of transfer between accounts</p>	
040/24	<p>To consider any correspondence A letter had been received from Hatfield Peveral Council regarding the two grass Verges as you enter the village from Tollesbury asking whether this is to do with re wilding. A response would be sent stating that it is not to do with re wilding but since the demise of the Rangers at MDC this work is now transferred to Highways and has not been done so far A further response had been sent to the resident from Barrow Marsh Farm</p>	Clerk

041/24	<p>To consider any matters concerning the playing field and play area</p> <p>A resident had spoken to a member of the Council regarding the possibility of additional play equipment – zip wire or basket ball hoop. Costings would be sought to ascertain whether this was able to be obtained financially</p>	Clerk
042/24	<p>To consider any Highway Matters and public rights of way area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Parking Issues – It was reported that an anonymous note had been left on a windscreen of a car that had been poorly parked Parking Patrols would be investigated for the summer months b) Flooding and drainage – Ongoing – follow up letter had been sent to Anglia Water who had responded that due to operational needs not been actioned yet. A highways Jetting lorry had visited Goldhanger recently c) Sid and Solar Panels – Nothing to report d) Hall Estate Garages – Letter had been received from MDC regarding the demolition of the garages stating that a substantial amount of due diligence had been completed at Hall Estate, which included various surveys and inspections and a risk based decision in relation to public safety was taken. A series of works will now be carried out regarding disposal of materials and in the short term the area will be left open for vehicle parking. It is expected that a feasibility study will be conducted at some point to see if new storage would be advantageous for MDC and the Community e) Wash Bridge – Both sides of the bridge had been damaged due to recent accidents, demolished in April and now rebuilt. <p>It was also noted that the potholes on Maldon Road were repaired on the 23rd April 24</p>	

043/24	To consider matters concerning Marigold Wood Nothing to report	
044/24	To consider matters concerning the bus shelter and defibrillators Nothing to report	
045/24	To receive any publications since last meeting These were all duly received and noted by the Council	
046/24	Clerks Report The Clerk had received the Portrait of King Charles and this would now be given to the Village Hall for display. The VAT return had been processed and was awaiting refund. Parish Contact details to be returned to MDC and update of Chair/Vice Chair 24/25 to EALC	Clerk
047/24	To discuss a further donation to the Village Hall for further improvements Cllr Bishop, Cllr Cheesman and Cllr Ellis declared interests in this matter and refrained from the conversation. The three remaining councillors resolved to allocate £1500 to the Village Hall.	Clerk
048/24	To consider other items of information for inclusion on a future agenda	
049/24	To close the Meeting With no other business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm with the next meeting being on the 12 th June 24	

Signature _____ Chair

Date _____