

## GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Goldhanger

#### Cllrs Present

J Bourn (Chair)

H Reynolds

C Cheeseman

S Ellis

M Sargeant

The Parish Clerk and 1 member of the public

096/24	<b>To receive apologies for absence</b> Apologies were received from Cllr Bishop	
097/24	<b>To receive any Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr Bourn declared an interest in item no 19	
098/24	<b>To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th July 24</b> There was an amendment to be made to item 087/24 and should read as Playing field, minutes were then approved by the council and duly signed by the Chairman	
099/24	<b>At the request of the chairman item was bought forward. This was unanimously agreed</b> An application had been received for the vacancy of councillor. Maria Unsworth was unanimously agreed to be co-opted and duly signed the declaration of office to join the Council. MDC would be informed and Cllr Unsworth would then need to complete her register of interest	Clerk Cllr Unsworth
100/24	<b>To receive information on outstanding items included in the above minutes</b> Outstanding actions – Horse sign, play equipment, all other actions would be dealt with under the relevant section	Clerk
101/24	<b>Public Questions – an opportunity for members of the public to raise matters with the members</b>	

	None	
102/24	<p><b>Chairmans Announcements</b></p> <p>Logged accidents in the parish and feeder roads as follows:  28/7/24 Cobbs Bends – road closed  4/8/24 Osea Road/Mill Beach Caravan Park- a discovery left the road and hit a caravan</p> <p>An email had been received about speed signs  Clerks laptop had to be reformatted due to bitlocker security locking out. Majority of documentation had been lost and needed further action – this would be dealt with under agenda item 17 later in the meeting</p> <p>A young resident from the village had been involved in litter picking in the village. The Council were very pleased and a letter of thanks would be sent</p> <p>Some information that had been received regarding VE Day 80 years May 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 had been forwarded to the Village Hall Committee</p> <p>ITPU infrastructure e-mail had been received</p>	Clerk
103/24	<p><b>Reports or updates from County Councillors and District Councillors</b></p> <p>No reports received</p>	
104/24	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p><b><u>Decisions by MDC</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Planning Applications</u></b></p> <p>24/00489 Proposed new build 4 bed bungalow and detached garage. Land North of 6 Church Street.  Objected with Comments  Neighbours of above had sent in their objections to which the Council would respond to</p> <p><b><u>Enforcement Issues</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p><b><u>To consider any other planning issues</u></b></p>	Clerk/Chair

	<p>23/00830 Land off Head Street Appeal Ref APP/X1545/W/24/3345671</p> <p>Further comments had been sent recently by GPC and a hearing date had been set for Sept 24</p> <p>A letter would be sent to MP</p>	
105/24	<p><b>To receive the financial statements and authorize accounts for payment on Jan Payment schedule</b></p> <p>Clerks Salary – £242.09</p> <p>HMRC - £14.20</p> <p>Goldhanger Village Hall - £1500.00</p> <p>Norton Subscription - £29.16</p> <p>Goldhanger Village Hall Hire Jan – June 24 - £204</p>	
106/24	<p><b>To Consider any correspondence received</b></p> <p>A letter had been received from a resident regarding help with equipment in the Play area. Whilst the Council were grateful for this, they felt that compliance matters could be an issue.</p> <p>Cllr Reynolds mentioned that residents of the Old Parsonage, 12 Head Street had been instructed by the local authority to address the ‘die back’ effecting the ash tree, after receiving advice an application will be made to reduce the crown significantly</p>	Clerk
107/24	<p><b>To consider any matters concerning the playing field and play area</b></p> <p>Cllr Ellis confirmed that he would action the overhanging vegetation that needs trimming</p>	Cllr Ellis
108/24	<p><b>To consider any Highway Matters and public rights of way area</b></p> <p>a) <b>Parking Issues</b> – It was noted that speeding patrols had recently been carried out as agreed</p> <p>b) <b>Flooding and drainage</b> – Cllr Sargeant had a recent conversation with someone from Highways when they were in the village regarding another matter. A CCTV inspection survey would be requested from highways of the surface drain on Maldon Road (From Hall Estate to Charity Farm Bend) now they had been jetted and</p>	Cllr Sargeant /Clerk

	<p>Cllr Sargeant would continuing in his efforts to sort the issues out.</p> <p>c) <b>Sid and Solar Panels</b> – nothing to report</p> <p>d) <b>Highways</b> – Various verges needed cutting and this had now been reported since MDC now have no Rangers to do this work – ref no 2927514. A response had been received stating that as it was not as serious as many other issues that they were aware of, they would not be taking any further action on it at the present time</p>	
109/24	<p><b>To consider matters concerning Marigold Wood</b> Nothing to report</p>	
110/24	<p><b>To consider matters concerning the bus shelter and defibrillators</b> Clerk was requested to see what she could get done in by way of repair and decoration to the bus shelter re recent email</p>	Clerk
111/24	<p><b>To receive any publications since last meeting</b> All publications were noted</p>	
112/24	<p><b>Clerks Report</b> Nothing to report</p>	
113/24	<p><b>To consider additional back-up of data for the Parish Computer.</b> It was unanimously agreed that in light of recent events as mentioned earlier in the meeting additional back up would be required and a separate hard drive would now be sourced</p>	Clerk

114/24	<p><b>Request for a Goldhanger Parish Councillor to be a participant on the judging panel for the MDC Annual Conservation and Design Award Scheme</b></p> <p>Due to a possible conflict of interest it was unanimously agreed to decline this offer</p>	
115/24	<p><b>To Consider any other items of information for inclusion on a future agenda</b></p> <p>None</p>	
116/24	<p><b>To close the Meeting</b></p> <p>With no other business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm with the next meeting being on the 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 24</p>	

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Chair

Date \_\_\_\_\_