



GREAT HORKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes

**Minutes of the virtual meeting held on Zoom of Great Horkesley Parish Council
Held at 7:30pm on Wednesday 16 December 2020
Members Present: Councillors Mead (Chairman)
Arnold, Baker & Duckworth.**

1. Chairman's Welcome and Announcements

The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting.

2. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

The following apologies from absent members were received from Cllrs Ewing Wescomb-Cross, Taverner and Williams, on advice from the Chairman the absences were considered acceptable.

3. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest, whether registered or not, in respect of any item were received.

4. Public Open Forum Public Open Forum

No members of the public present

5. Minutes of the last Meeting

It was agreed the Clerk was to make amendments and the minutes of the parish council meeting held on the 25 November 2020 was then approved as a true and accurate record.

6. Planning

- a. It was agreed to make no comment on the consultation below as the changes did not have an impact on neighbouring properties.
- b. No further applications were lodged after the agenda had been sent out.

7. Colchester Woodland Project

It was agreed the Clerk is to contact Colchester Borough Council regarding deferring the community planting of the trees on the open space. Cllr Duckworth had conducted a survey for residents to suggest preferred sites where they wanted the trees planted, 31 replies were received. Due to Covid-19 it was agreed that it would not be safe to organise a community tree planting event.

8. Village sign

- a. It was agreed on the mono design and the financial cost is being met by locality budget from Cllr Brown and community organisations.
- b. It was agreed the siting of the village sign is to be at the Nayland end of Keelers Way/A134 facing south near to the hedge.

9. Highways

- a. Cllr Arnold reported that he had contacted ECC regarding the Local Highway Panel bids, which had been actioned regarding the Blackbrook Road roundabout and Tile House Lane, a site meeting was organised to take place, but was postponed due to Covid - 19.

- b. Cllr Arnold reported he will contact Jon Simmons regarding Ivy Lodge Road to obtain measures to slow the traffic and to prevent lorries for a LHP bid.

10. Reports and updates from parish council members and officers of other authorities:

CBC Rural North: Cllrs **Arnold**.

Reported that he had contacted the planning committee regarding the Tankerton Planning consultation application and advised that the area concerned is too small for two properties and suggested a house at the front and a bungalow in the back.

The Local Plan S1 has now been accepted Colchester Borough Council will now adopt S1 will keep the 920 target in place and this will stop speculative development in the Village.

A Neighbourhood Plan group is to be organised.

The government has changed the targets the targets that were set in 2017 will still stand. The Chairman reported that he attended a CALC meeting a NALC representative reported that the directives are going to be cut down.

The EALC Chairman reported that funds had been lost due to training courses not being held in person, the courses are now being held on Zoom. It was mentioned the younger Councillors should attend the Chairman's training courses for the future. Cllr Arnold thanked Cllr Mead for taking over as Chairman when he could not carry on as Chairman in 2019.

11. S106 monies.

- a. Cllr Arnold reported that his locality budget has to allocated to a project that is ready to go, the amount will go towards, resurfacing of the car park.
- b. The council considered the three quotations their preference was to go with the Future Landscapes Ltd Quotation at the financial cost of £49,500.00 the for the resurfacing of the village hall car park, as other members were not present at the meeting it was agreed to make the final decision at the next meeting in January.

12. No Clerk's Report

13. No Village Warden's Report.

14. Financial Matters

- a. To note payments authorised at the last meeting, those made under the Clerk's delegated powers since the last meeting and any receipts, as set out in **Appendix B**.
- b. To consider and approve for payment of invoices in respect of goods or services not covered under delegated powers:
- c. To consider and note the Village hall financial payments and receipts as set out in **Appendix C** (available for download from the GHPC website).

15. Future meetings and business.

- a. It was confirmed the date and time of the next parish council meeting as Wednesday 20 January 2021 at 7:30pm.
A Financial Working Party meeting is to be held on the 30 December 2020.

16. It was not necessary to make a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act to exclude the press and public from the meeting, for reasons of contract confidentiality in order to discuss the matters below as no members of the public were present.

- a & b Removed for contract confidentiality.

Appendix A: Planning Applications

Application No:	Details	Consultation Expiry Date
202555	36 The Crescent, Great Horkesley Colchester CO6 4EH Application to vary condition 3 (external facing & roofing materials) of planning permission 172414 - change from colour wash render to hardiplank in light mist	21/12/2020

Appendix B: Financial Payments & Receipts

Accounting Dates: 23 November 2020 – 7 December 2020				
ID	TO/FROM	DETAILS	REF:	PAYMENTS
74	Microsoft	Office 365	CP	£79.99
75	Zoom	Monthly Subscription	CP	£14.39
76	EE Ltd	Mobile Phone PC	DD	£14.18
77	EALC	Councillor Training Day 1 Cllr Duckworth	Bacs	£108.00
78	EALC	Councillor Training Day 2 Cllr Duckworth	Bacs	£108.00
79	HP Inc Ltd	Printing	CP	£7.99
80	Contractor	Village Warden	Bacs	£936.00
81	Clerk	Salary & Expenses	Bacs	Left Blank
82	HP Instant Ink	Printing	CP	£9.99

Duly agreed to be signed at the parish council meeting held on the 20 January 2021

Chairman's signature.....