

# HELIONS BUMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

## ATTENDANCE

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
C Brown	Chairman	Yes
S. Kehr	Vice Chair	Yes
N. Nicholson	Parish Councillor	Yes
A Parker	Parish Councillor	Yes
S. Cunningham	Parish Councillor	Yes
N Turner	Parish Councillor	Yes
R Kirkland	Parish Councillor	Yes
D. Garrod	District Councillor	Apologies
D. Finch	County Councillor	Yes
C. Carlisle	Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer	Yes

19/222 Apologies for Absence  
DC Garrod

19/223 Members' declarations of interest  
Cllr Nicholson, Cllr Kehr, Cllr Cunningham HBCBS  
Cllr Kehr VHMC

19/224 Public forum  
There were none present

19/225 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 were **approved** and signed as a true record of the meeting.

19/226 Finance Report

### Payments

19/226.1	£309.66 Cathryn Carlisle	Clerk's Salary	BACs
19/226.2	£54.45 Haven	Lighting	D/D
19/226.3	£19.99 BT	Telephone	D/D
19/226.4	£17.00 Cathryn Carlisle	Expenses	BACs
19/226.5	£50.00 HBPPT	Subs	
19/226.6	£75.00 Poppy Appeal	Wreath	
19/226.7	£146.41 RCCE	Housing Needs Survey	

19/226.8 Month Bank Statement and Monthly Budget Form  
The councillors had received a copy of the monthly Budget and Bank reconciliation prior to the meeting.

- 19/226.9 To look at the Budget for 2020-21  
The Council met before the meeting to discuss the prepared budget, there's still some work to do but it's a good start.

19/227 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that the finger post at the junction with Steeple Bumpstead Road has been mended.

The Clerk put on a Mental Health First Aid Course at Great Saling this was attended by 10 people.

19/228 District Councillor's Report

- Local Highways Panel minutes 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 that the following schemes be removed from the list of Schemes Awaiting Funding, subject to the specific comments denoted:- LBRA192022 – Request to reduce speed limit to 30mph, Camps Road, Helions Bumpstead, LBRA192023 – Request to reduce speed limit to 30mph, Wiggins Green, Helions Bumpstead. Clerk to find out more information
- Free Housing Briefing  
Braintree District Council Housing Briefings running throughout 2019, there are places available on the Housing Options Briefing being held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019, at 9.30 a.m., at Braintree District Council Offices, Causeway House, Braintree.
- Joint Local Plan Update  
The Inspector has published a letter with suggestions of arrangements for the further hearing sessions and likely start date as part of the continuing examination for Section 1 Local Plan. This follows the latest – more technical – consultation held in August and September this year on the joint part of the Local Plans developed by Braintree District, Tendring District and Colchester Borough councils, based on the additional evidence supporting three new garden communities. The independent Planning Inspector says he is currently reviewing the around 1,000 comments received from the consultation ahead of the re-opening of the Local Plan examination expected to be held this winter. All of the comments are available to view online at [www.braintree.gov.uk/neatechS1](http://www.braintree.gov.uk/neatechS1) and the Inspector's letter can be found here: [www.braintree.gov.uk/LPExamination](http://www.braintree.gov.uk/LPExamination).

The Inspector will soon publish the full timetable for the further hearing sessions and has indicated that the likely timescales are as follows – but please note that these may be subject to change:

- Mon 11 Nov - Publish Matters Issues and Questions, hearings timetable & Inspector's guidance note.
- Mon 2 Dec - Deadline for hearing statements.
- Mon 16 Dec - Deadline for responses to hearing statements.
- Tue 14 Jan - Hearings open.

## 19/229 County Councillor's Report

- Climate Change
- CC suggested that the Parish Council has a look at doing a Village Design Statement.
- Essex is in the top 10 Councils for service and effective Essex no other council of its size, are in the top ten. Leicestershire which is half the population size of Essex is top.
- Adult Social Care is Outstanding
- 90% of our schools are Outstanding or Good
- Children Services is seen as National Outstanding Service.
- ECC are in the process of working together with Braintree/Colchester/Tendring on the North East Garden Communities project, which will produce 140,000 houses over the next 30 years, the houses will need adequate facilities, Solar Power/Ground Source, Air Source Heat pumps, ,medical, schools, work.
- ECC has been allocated £318K, £218K on a new rail station at Beaulie just outside of Chelmsford with a link line in to Liverpool Street.
- A bypass (North East) which will run A12 junction to Great Leighs race course.
- A134 – A12 connection.
- Rapid Transit System in the long term future.
- Highways Essex has 3,200 Rural Roads, 1,500 A Roads and B Roads. If we have pot holes report them to CC Finch.

## 19/230 Reports from Councillors with Matters affecting the village

There was an Ash tree down on the Steeple Bumpstead Road, Cllr Nicholson has cut it back as far as he could to get the road open. The Clerk to contact James Rankin to speak to him about clearing the rest of the tree.

Street light near the roundabout, Cllr Parker to report.

Cllr Cunningham has spoken to Susan Ramsey about the Post Office Closing. Susan has offered to take anyone down to the post office in either Steeple Bumpstead or Haverhill, the Mutual Support Group will also take people. The Clerk has spoken to Alison Meldrum Russell with regards to getting a Post Office in the Three Horseshoes, the priority is to get the pub open first. The Clerk reassured Alison the PC wont be taking a Post Office on.

The Gritting has not gone below 1 degree yet so the gritter hasn't been out

Camps Road Light is on in the day time. Clerk to Report

## 19/231 Highways Issues: Clerk to report

### 19/231.1 Speeding in the village

Cllrs to discuss what the Village actually needs with regards to the traffic situation. Clerk to look into this.

### 19/231.2 Speed Watch Training Radwinter 16<sup>th</sup> November at Radwinter Village Hall The Clerk to get the poster sent out again via email

19/232 Footpath update

The hand rails on foot bridge 32 are unsafe, Clerk to Report

19/233 Village Enhancement

19.233.1 To discuss village repairs

No report

19/233.2 Trees on the copse update

The Clerk to get Malcolm Cox to give a report on the trees

19/234 Consultations /Publications sent

19/235 Forward Planning

19/235.1 Parish Plan

Meeting taking place Tuesday evening 7pm

19/236 Website

Cllr Brown is talking to Eyelid Production, the Website will look very similar to the one we have, but will be easier to up load documents.

19/237 Welcome letter/Pack

Welcome Letter to be checked by the Clerk

19/238 Containers at Drapers Green

Cllr Nicholson to look into this.

19/239 Financial Regulation 2019

Financial Regulations **were adopted** by the Council.

19/240 Items for information and inclusion on next meeting's agenda

Action Plan

Design Statement

19/241 Date of the next meeting 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019

19/242 Meeting Closed 8.37 pm

Signed.....

Dated.....

*Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend.*