

GREAT WAKERING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 5th December 2007, in the Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane

Present: Councillor T. Goodwin, Chairman,
Councillors A. Awin, V. Brandon, S. Lidlow, K. Perring, A. Porter, L. Rodger.

94/51 To receive the Chairman's opening remarks.

The Chairman welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

95/51 To receive apologies for absence.

Apology received from Councillor B. Wilkins attending meeting at Rochford District Council, accepted unanimously.

96/51 To receive Declarations of Interest.

None received.

97/51 The meeting will stand adjourned to permit parishioners of Great Wakering to address the Council.

Parishioner addressed the Council.

98/51 The Council invites the County Councillor and the District Councillors for the area to report any matters of interest.

County Councillor Pearson reported on County Council matters. District Councillors Seagers and Wilkins apologised for being unable to attend as they were at a District Council meeting. Councillor Goodwin reported on District Council matters.

99/51 To receive, consider, approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held the 7th November 2007.

Councillor Perring Proposed the minutes be accepted seconded by Councillor Porter carried 6 for with 1 abstention.

100/51 To receive reports from members representing the Council on outside bodies and to receive reports on seminars and conferences attended.

Councillor Rodger reported on the Parish Passenger Transport meeting that she attended.

101/51 To approve a) the signing of cheques b) to receive a Financial Statement c) expenses claim, all documents already circulated.

Chairman Proposed that the cheque list, financial statement and Clerk's expenses claim of £48 are accepted, carried unanimously.

102/51 To Consider Correspondence received and circulated.

- a) Letter to King Edmund School and reply received. Clerk to reply to school.
- b) Email from Environment Agency with reply to questions raised at Council meeting 7th November. Noted

- 103/51 To update on the project for the Youth Facility.
Chairman reported on the youth meeting held 13th November and that 6 Disco's for ages 11-14 and 14-17 would be held at the sports centre over the next 3 months and a meeting will be held in February to discuss any new ideas received.
- 104/51 To agree the Precept for Year 2008/2009.
Councillor Awin Proposed that the precept is again set at £50,000, seconded by Councillor Lidlow carried unanimously.
- 105/51 To discuss Allotment Rents for Year 2008/2009.
Chairman Proposed that the Allotment Rents are increased by £1 for 5 Rods, £2 for 10 Rods, carried 6 for 1 against.
- 106/51 To discuss Burial Fees for Year 2008/2009.
Chairman Proposed that all the fees are increased by £10 except second Inscriptions which should be increased by £5 carried 6 for with 1 against.
- 107/51 To discuss the purchase of new trophies for the Allotment Competition.
Councillor Brandon to look at designs and costing of trophies and report back at next meeting.
- 108/51 To discuss Bus shelters.
One reply, against a new shelter being installed in High Street, received from notice in community newsletter. Councillors agreed that matter is finished.
- 109/51 At the Chairman's discretion to exchange information during any other business.
Councillor Rodger reported that a drain cover had sunk opposite Mallards. Clerk to contact Essex highways.
- 110/51 To record NALC's Salary Agreement for 2007/2008.
Agreement recorded.

Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.