

## GREAT WAKERING PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 26th September 2007, in the Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane

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

61/51 To receive the Chairman's opening remarks.

The Chairman welcomed Councillors and the Public to the meeting.

62/51 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Councillors J. Colby, work, S. Lidlow delayed in traffic, accepted 8 for 1 abstaining.

63/51 To receive Declarations of Interest.

None received.

64/51 To receive a presentation from Mr Richard Tatton-Bennett, Principal Engineer, Rochford District Council and for him to receive questions from Councillors.

Mr Tatton-Bennett addressed the Council about the proposed changes to the Seaview Drive Playspace and he took questions from Councillors.

Councillor Lidlow joined the meeting and apologised to the Chairman for his lateness.

Chairman thanked Mr Tatton-Bennett for his presentation and asked that the Playspace is put on the next agenda.

To try and gauge the number of users in the area, Councillor Wilkins agreed to deliver a letter to residents asking this.

65/51 The meeting will stand adjourned to permit parishioners of Great Wakering to address the Council.

Parishioners addressed the Council.

Clerk requested to invite an officer from the Environment Agency to attend the next meeting to up date the Council on the sea walls.

66/51 The Council invites the County Councillor and the District Councillors for the area to report any matters of interest.

County Councillor Pearson addressed the Council on County matters.

Councillors Wilkins and Goodwin reported on District Council matters.

67/51 To receive, consider, approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held the 15th August 2007.

Councillor Perring Proposed the minutes be accepted, seconded by Councillor Porter carried unanimously.

68/51 To receive reports from members representing the Council on outside bodies and to receive reports on seminars and conferences attended.

Clerk reported on the Compact meeting held by RAVS and the EALC Annual

Meeting he attended at Essex Records Office. Councillor Wright reported on the Rochford Eastern Area meeting.

69/51 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 and financial are accepted carried unanimously.

a) Councillor Wright Proposed that Rochford Hundred Association of Councils subscription is renewed, seconded by Councillor Wilkins carried unanimously.

70/51 To Consider Correspondence received and circulated.

a) Letters from Mr Patel discussed and Clerk to write and advise that the Council cannot assist him.

71/51 To update on the project for the Youth Facility.

The minutes of the 29th August meeting circulated in Rochford Eastern Area Agenda. Next meeting is the 27th September in the Council office.

72/51 To discuss the planting of Roses at the Village Sign.

Councillor Wright advised that 42 Roses would be required. Clerk instructed to write to Morley Nurseries for a quote for 30 Rugosas and 12 Hybred Tea Roses, planting and material.

73/51 To discuss a Village Handyman.

Chairman Proposed that Clerk should contact handymen advertising in the Community Newsletter to ascertain if they would take on Council's work, carried unanimously.

74/51 To discuss the purchase of a new Chain of Office.

Councillor Osher Proposed that a new Chain of Office in Silver Gilt and twelve side bars is purchased from Vaughtons, Seconded by Councillor Porter carried 9 for with 1 abstention. A Councillor offered to pay for 12 side bars and case was gratefully accepted.

75/51 To discuss Bus Shelters.

Councillor Wright Proposed that a question is placed in the Community Newsletter for villagers to advise the Council where they would like a bus shelter positioned, seconded by Councillor Goodwin carried unanimously.

Chairman proposed that item 17 is brought forward

76/51 To discuss the Christmas Newsletter.

Clerk requested Councillors to give him their articles for Newsletter by the 31st October.

There was no other business therefore the Chairman closed this part of meeting and the council went into Private and Confidential to discuss projects for the village.

IN COMMITTEE

77/51 To update on projects for the Village.

Drysdales, Solicitors Letter discussed and Councillor Wright Proposed that only the right to renew under the Landlords & Tennant Act 1954 should be in the Lease of the Allotment land to Great Wakering Football Club, seconded by Councillor Lidlow carried 9 for with 1 abstention.

Councillor Osher Proposed that the Council accepts the letter from the football club in respect of their grant application, seconded by Councillor Wright carried 8 for 1 against with 1 abstention.

78/51 At the Chairman's discretion, to exchange information during any other business.

Councillor Brandon requested that the purchase of new Allotment Competition trophies is placed on next agenda.

Clerk reported that someone had placed goldfish in the Duck Pond thereby infecting and killing the fish in the Duck Pond; DWARF will be carryout a clean up and applying treatment to the pond on behalf of the Council.

Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.