

# FRATING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held at the Memorial Hall, Main Road, Frating CO7 7DJ on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:** Cllr Cuthbert (Chair)

Cllr Bland (Deputy Chair)

Cllr Mogg

Cllr Philp

**In Attendance:** Mrs J Spear (Clerk)

## 01.22.486 To receive and approve any Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllr Mcwilliams and Cllr Coster

## 01.22.487 To receive any Declarations of Interest

None Declared

# 01.22.488 Minutes of the 6th December 2021 meeting to be approved and signed.

There were 2 amendments proposed: in section 11.21.495 the meeting date agreed for March 2022 is not the 1<sup>st</sup> but the 7<sup>th</sup>. Also, under section 11.21.496 d) the name of the local historian is Robert Butcher.

All were in favour and have agreed to these changes(clerk amended), and that the rest of the minutes of the meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021 are a correct record and signed by the chair.

#### **Planning**

## **01.22.489** ESS/101/21/TEN

**Proposal:** Construction of an agricultural reservoir involving the extraction, processing and exportation of approximately 1.068 million tonnes of sand and gravel.

Location: Lufkins Farm, Great Bentley Road, Frating CO7 7HN

This planning application comprises of forming a new reservoir which is 3 times the size of the current one under construction, the council accepts that in time this will help aid the farmer with the irrigation of their land. However, under The Essex and Minerals Local plan 2000 which was adopted in 2014 this site is classified as an existing mineral extraction site, which leads the council to believe the primary purpose of the application is not for the reservoir but rather for mineral extraction.

Although the site is not located within Frating Parish – the entrance to the site is and so is are the roads that need to be used for the removal and transportation of the removed minerals up to 60 vehicles daily. This main road is the B1029 which is not designed to facilitate the weight of the 20 tonne lorries (which is already being exacerbated by the increase in HGVs from the current outstanding planning issue from the Crossways development) – to add these lorries to that will increase the damage to the road network, which will need to be upgraded to deal with the extra repeated weight of the years it will take to complete this project (projected at a minimum of 7 years). The damage to the drains and verges already being reported throughout the village from the HGVs at

crossways whose vehicles are not all of that huge size is already a massive problem.

To add to that the loss of the agricultural land, noise pollution and at a detriment to the local landscape for Frating Parishioners.

Resolved – The council are all in favour of objecting to the planning application. Cllr Cuthbert will formulate a response and the clerk will facilitate the objection.

## **Finance**

At the time of writing this agenda the change of Mandate has been submitted to Barclays, the new clerk is in the process of reconciling the accounts but until full access to the bank is granted this is delayed.

**11.22.490** Discussing the implementation of speciality council accounting software – Scribe. It was agreed that implanting the new software will help to keep a true and easier reflection of the

finances going forward.

Resolved - All in favour – the clerk will arrange for the set up and the implementation of the software.

# 11.22.491 Payments

<u>Payee</u>	Net £	VAT£	Gross £	<u>Description</u>
Jennifer Spear	£228.85	£0.00	£228.85	Clerk Salary & Expenses
Terry Cuthbert	£34.27	£0.00	£34.27	Chairmans Allowance
HMRC	£134.80	£0.00	£134.80	Tax Payment
Help the Heros	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00	S137 Donation
St Helena Hospice	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00	S137 Donation
Age Concern	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00	S137 Donation
Essex & Herts Air	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00	S137 Donation
Ambulance				
	£1,197.92	£0.00	£1,197.92	

Resolved – All payments approved – Clerk will action

11.22.492 Items from the councillors to be added to the next meeting Police Visit
Litter Picking
New Computer for the Clerk use
Footpaths
Website/ Social Media

11.22.493 To note the date	and time of the next meeting
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> February, 7:30	

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