

# **LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at The Haywain Public House, on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

**In Attendance:**

**Councillor J Buxton (Chairman)**

**Councillor I Smith**

**Councillor S Sauka**

**Councillor N Stock**

**Clerk – D Sauka**

**Meeting commenced @ 19.30pm**

8 members of the public attended

### **63/1. Apologies to be received and accepted**

Cllr C Guglielmi

Cllr A Spall

### **63/2. Members Interests**

- To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, other Pecuniary or Non Pecuniary interests  
NONE

### **63/3. Reports**

- a) County Councillor – Entered into records
- b) District Councillor – Local Plan is progressing, with final recommendations being submitted. Afghanistan resettlement plan (8,000 being admitted to the UK) responsibility of District Councils to help rehome - Tendring is assisting in the programme for the area (2 / 3 families)
- c) Parish Councillors - None
- d) Footpath Warden - None
- e) Tree warden – None
- f) Police Report - To find out what is happening in your local neighbourhood and all about your local neighbourhood policing team visit [www.essex.police.uk/your](http://www.essex.police.uk/your) area and enter your postcode

### **63/4. To agree:**

- **Minutes of PC meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**  
Proposed by Cllr Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Buxton – Unanimously agreed
- **Agree 2020 / 2021 Accounts.**  
Proposed by Cllr Buxton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Smith – Unanimously agreed

### **63/5. Battery Farm**

Construction of a 50MW Battery Energy Storage System Facility (BESS) and associated access, landscaping and other infrastructure works on land immediately to the west of the Lawford sub-station, Little Bromley Road, Ardleigh.

**Neil Waterson from Cambridge Power Limited** attended. He informed the meeting that no application has yet been submitted, they are just gauging feelings from surrounding Councils. Stated that Battery Energy Storage provides a balancing service to support the existing national electricity grid. It is renewable energy, which governments goal is to be carbon zero to by 2050 and Tendring's by 2030. It sit along side the grid balancing out demand & supply, so when needed it will call on the

batteries to provide energy. They would need a hectare of land adjoining the substation, which had been identified. It would contain rows of battery racks, (the height of a container) with power converter units, which would be connected to existing sub-station. Why this location – there is available capacity from the sub-station which would be able to accommodate, and the landscape is well screened from the south, and not subject to any environmental designations. They would set a construction management plan, traffic management – times and route of deliveries, drainage measures would be taken to eliminate risk of flooding etc. Infrastructure would take around 6 / 9 months to install, after install there would be site check a couple times a month. Cables would be installed underground to sub-station, and general noise impact would be minimal with a gentle humming from batteries (within acceptable limits) site not next to any residential homes. Archaeologic studies will be performed prior to planning. (Cambridge Power Limited are an independent company not related to UK Power Networks and is not related to Five Estuaries Wind Farm project item 63/12).

LBPC thanks Mr Waterson for attending and giving a comprehensive outlook.

#### **63/6. Corbeau Seat Rally – Tendring & Clacton 2022 Event (23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022)**

Stanley Graham – (Resident Liaison Manager) attended the meeting. Stated that the management and route will remain the same as before, there will be 2 stages in 2022. 1<sup>st</sup> stage in Clacton on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and countryside rally through Little Bromley on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Booklets will be delivered to every household impacted by the rally. Donations will be made to RNLI & Ambulance services. Asked LBPC if they would like to request a charity for donation. Generated over 10K income to the Tendring region 2019.

24<sup>th</sup> clashes with the Little Bromley 10K run (9.30am to 11am) – Mr R Knott & Cllr Smith to liaise with Rally organisers.

Clerk to post on notice boards, once details have been finalised.

#### **63/7. Highways**

- Traffic Calming
  - 30mph sign – Bentley Road
  - Cllr Buxton still awaiting response from Cllr Guglielmi

#### **63/8. Remembrance Service - 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

LBPC request for wreath, Cllr Spall to organise through British Legion.

Cllr Buxton to approach Gregory Frostick to oversee service.

Proposed by Cllr Buxton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Stock – Unanimously agreed.

#### **63/9. Cheques to be signed**

- **Clacton Business Services - £120.00**
- Signed by Cllr Smith & Cllr Buxton
- **London Hearts Charity (Defibrillator) £1,925.00**
- Signed by Cllr Smith & Cllr Buxton

#### **63/10 . Planning**

- **Land rear of Council Houses - KOR**
- **Mullys Farm – Public Access**
- Access of formal parking**
- Turning Circle**

Following discussion with residents at the meeting it was agreed that LBPC would look to broker further discussion regarding the site, as they are not keeping to existing planning conditions.

- **Toad Cottage – Side extension**

LBPC saw no problem with the propose plan.

Proposed by Cllr Buxton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Stock – Unanimously agreed.

Clerk to comment on Tendring Planning website.



**63/11. Defibrillator**

Cllr Spall to contact London Hearts Charity to establish delivery, and receive instruction on power source to the unit. Local electrician to be engaged to install at the Haywain approved site.

**63/12. Five Estuaries Windfarm & proposed Substation – EO Meeting held**

To be kept on agenda for updates to the process. (no application received)

**63/13. Village Notice Board**

Several quotes received, after discussion it was agreed to proceed with Paul Brown, as best quote in oak and also local to the village. Quote also included removal of old board and erection of new which others did not. Post shoes - Cllr Sauka stated that he could help with the installation. Proposed by Cllr Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sauka – Unanimously agreed.

**63/14. Community Initiative Fund**

Cllr Buxton stated that we were contacted by Essex County Council regarding the Community Fund. Cllr Buxton responded requesting monies for the noticeboard, which was promptly refused. Requested a reason for refusal, which we have not received a response.

**63/15. Bank Account**

Clerk stated that LBPC were to apply for online banking. Clerk would be able to view on-line bank account, and request payments, but would not have access to actual payments. 2 Councillors would be chosen at random by bank to approve any payments.

**63/16. Plastic Recycling**

Received correspondence from a parish resident regarding having a plastic recycling bin. After discussion Council felt that this was not necessary within the village, as nearest one was at the Co-op in Manningtree. Cllr Buxton Proposed not to pursue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Smith, Unanimously agreed

**63/17. Correspondence**

None

**63/18. Urgent items**

**Extra ordinary meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021 – Minutes to be agreed.**

Proposed by Cllr Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sauka – Unanimously agreed

**63/19. Public Participation**

- Matters arising from members of the public  
Member of the public reported that Bridge near Mulley's Wood. Is in total disrepair. Advised to report to footpath warden

**63/20. Next meeting date**

- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021 @ 7.30pm

Meeting Closed 21.20pm

Signed:.....

Name:.....

Dated:.....

Position:.....