

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Great Burstead and South Green Village Council,
held at Canon Roche Social Centre, Laindon Road, Billericay,
on Tuesday, 27 October 2009 at 7.10pm**

Present: Councillor Cundy, Marie Dear, John Dear and Kelly.

In Attendance: Mrs. Kim Barford, Clerk to the Council

9/106 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr's. Aly Khan, McConnell, Saunderson and Wakelin. In Cllr. Aly Khan's absence, Cllr. Marie Dear proposed the Vice Chair, Cllr. Cundy chair the meeting which all members present were in agreement with.

9/107 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

9/108 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters which are of mutual interest

There were no members of the public present.

9/109 Community Initiatives Fund 2009/2010

Members referred to the 2 proposed bids discussed at the 7 October meeting:

A. South Green shopping area - Kerbstone lifting and improvements to footways / parking areas.

Members considered the application.

Cllr. Kelly suggested that the kerb adjoining South Green in Grange Road could include blocks that incorporated drain grills. The road level had receded badly around drains at the side, kerbs which incorporate drain access were beneficial when abutting natural landscape. All members present were in agreement and the application was amended.

The clerk advised members the disabled parking bay was too narrow and not easily accessible. It was suggested the bay be moved to the start of the parking area along Grange Parade outside the Doctors Surgery, where there would be more space with better access.

Discussion ensued. All members present were in agreement to the suggestion. The clerk to enquire about the possibility of change to the designated with the Highways Manager before inclusion within the bid.

Cllr. Cundy congratulated the clerk on the compilation of the bid. Cllr. Kelly proposed acceptance of the documents for submission which was seconded by Cllr. Cundy and all members present were in agreement. The final bid and accompanying papers to be circulated to all members of the Village Council.

B. Pedestrian crossing, Southend Road by Hickstars Lane - To improve crossing awareness

Further to the request at the last meeting, the clerk had discussed the viability of submitting a second bid with the Highways Manager. Reference was made again to the guidance notes, such a project would not appear to fit the criteria.

He suggested the Village Council approach the Highways Dept. with a request for the improvements they would like made. Photographic evidence was circulated, discussion ensued. Cllr. Cundy proposed that a bid not be submitted for the project, which was seconded by Cllr. Kelly.

Members were in agreement that the clerk to write to the Highways Area Manager setting out the Village Councils request for improvement.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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