



**Minutes of the Great Burstead and South Green Village Council, held at
South Green Memorial Hall, Southend Road, Billericay
on Wednesday 1 September 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

Present: -

Councillor M Dear – Chair
Councillor L Cowles
Councillor S Crowe
Councillor L Thomas

Also in attendance: -

Mrs Mylène Linwood, Clerk & RFO to the Village Council

21/147 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr B Chapman and Cllr J Dear.

21/148 Declarations of Interest & Register of Members Interests

Cllr Thomas declared that the proposed Gurnards Solar Farm (agenda item 8, minute ref: 21/154) backs onto a relative's property.

21/149 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting on 7 July 2021, were received, agreed and duly signed by the Chair as a true record of the meeting.

21/150 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters, which are of mutual interest. No decisions to be made.

No members of the public attended.

21/151 Finance

The following payments were unanimously approved:

Month	Cheque	Payee	Description	Amount
August	Standing Order	Mrs M Linwood	Clerk Salary July 2021	£633.36
September	022427	South Green Memorial Hall	Annual hall hire fee	£202.50
September	022428	Mrs S Crowe	Cllr Crowe expenses - Fun Day 2022 Bunting - Fun Day 2022 Flags & cake toppers TOTAL:	£79.90 £31.41 £111.04
September	022429	Basildon Borough Council	Replacement bench near South Green Memorial Hall – purchase and install	£701.12
September	Standing Order	Mrs M Linwood	Clerk Salary August 2021	£633.36
			Total	£2281.38

It was recorded that on 1st September 2021, the Village Council's current account held £54,124.85 and the savings account held £49,610.43.

The cash book was circulated to Cllrs before the meeting for 3 monthly review. The meeting thanked Cllr Cowles for her assistance with reviewing the cash book.

21/152 Planning Applications

During the August recess members responded to the planning applications on the attached sheet.

Planning App. Ref	Address	Planning Request	Comments
21/01214/FULL	4 Tyrone Road, Billericay Essex CM11 2RU	Single storey rear extension with lantern roof light	No objection
21/01224/FULL	187 Noak Hill Road Great Burstead Billericay Essex	Provision of 8no. lodges for 11-month occupation for occupants aged 50 years and over, together with alterations to the existing club house at Noak Hill Golf Course	Objection - due concerns of the lodges being over build on the site, in addition to the council policy of objecting to further building on Green Belt land.

The following planning applications were received after the publication of the agenda. It was agreed to add these applications to the meeting agenda to adhere to the consultation deadlines.

21/01235/FULL	19 Kings Way Billericay Essex CM11 2QF	Proposed single storey side extension	No objection
21/1270/OUT	Land At Blackmore Farm Noak Hill Road Billericay Essex	Outline application with all matters reserved for the erection of 2 no. dwellings with associated parking and landscaping -	Objection - due to the council policy of objecting to further building on green belt land.
21/01259/TEL,	Proposed Mono- pole Noak Hill Road Great Burstead Billericay	Proposed 20 metre Phase 8 telecoms Monopole with wrapround cabinet at base together with 2no. additional cabinets and associated ancillary works -	Objection - Due to concerns of the location in regards to the layout of the land, in addition to concerns of disturbance to the wild life site and that is it council policy to object to further building on green belt land.

21/153 Solar Farm – Outwood Farm Road

Following further investigation it was established that it would not be possible for the parish to gain revenue from this solar farm.

21/154 Proposed Gurnards Solar Farm

The Council agreed to the meeting request from the developers of this proposed solar farm.
Clerk to make arrangements and circulate meeting information.

21/155 Fun Day 2022

The working party for the organisation of the Queen's Jubilee Fun Day 2022 met on 11st August 2021. It was agreed the theme would be circus/carnival to stay in line with the recommendation of the official event website and that the entertainment would have an old fashioned/retro feel.
Research and enquiries continue into the entertainment and stalls to be held.
Cllr Crowe has made some purchases of items to be used on the day.
The next working party meeting will be held on Friday 10th September 2021.

Residents are welcome to get involved in the organisation of the Fun Day and may contact the Clerk or Cllr Crowe. (email: suzy.crowe@greatbursteadsouthgreen-vc.gov.uk)

21/156 South Green Recycling Point Removal

The proposal of the removal of the South Green Recycling point due to the disturbance it causes to residents, is being supported by Cllr Moore, Cllr Baggot & Cllr Blake who have re-submitted the proposal to the Leisure & Environment Committee at Basildon Borough Council and we await to hear the outcome.

21/157 Missing Bollard South Green Parade of Shops

The necessary forms to request permission to carry out the replacement work have been sent to Essex Highways. We await approval to carry out the replacement.

21/158 Assets of Community Value

All members approved of the decision to submit the application to continue to have The Green, South Green listed as an Asset of Community Value. Clerk to send application form to Basildon Borough Council.

21/159 Vacancy – Village Councillor

It was agreed to resume the advertising of the casual vacancy of Councillor to be filled by co-option. The Clerk to update the website and Cllr Crowe to post on the council's twitter account.

21/160 EALC – AGM

The EALC AGM 2021 will be held virtually on 23rd September 2021 at 10am. All Cllrs are invited to attend. Cllr Thomas proposed to attend to represent the Village Council.

21/161 Bench – St Mary Magdalene Church Yard

Upon noticing that the two benches at the St Mary Magdalene Church Yard have been removed due to one becoming dilapidated and the other being vandalized, Cllr Chapman had put forward the suggestion that the Village Council make enquiries and possibly fund a replacement bench as many residents used these benches.

Members requested the Clerk contact the Vicar to discuss this proposal.

Should the replacement bench go ahead the idea of using the bench to mark the occasion of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by having a plaque made for the bench was put forward and approved by all those present.

21/162 St Mary Magdalene Church Noticeboard

Cllr Chapman would like to request permission from the St Mary Magdalene Church to cut back the undergrowth around the noticeboard. The Chair asked the Clerk to include this request when contacting the Vicar about the bench proposal.

21/163 Training

No requests for training were received.

21/164 Social Media

The following suggestions were put forward as possible ideas to add to the Village Council Twitter page:

- Village Councillor Vacancy
- Tree Warden Advert
- Meeting with Gurnards Solar Farm Developers
- Village Council objecting to the monopole in Noak Hill Road

The Twitter account now has 64 followers.

Cllr Crowe shared the idea of creating a Village Council Instagram account. As Instagram is predominately a photo sharing network it was discussed if Cllrs had photos of the parish that should be shared.

Cllr Crowe to investigate further and set up the account if feasible.

21/165 Next Meeting

Wednesday 6th October at 7:30pm at South Green Memorial Hall

21/166 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 8:16pm

Minutes agreed and approved:

Signed:

Date: