**HEYBRIDGE BASIN PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of Heybridge Basin Parish Council held on Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 7.00pm

Present – Cllrs J. Sjollema (Vice Chair), R. Bryson, L. Schnurr, C. Edmond

Also present – G. Lake – Clerk, 4 members of public

Absent – Cllr B Heubner

1. **The Chair to open the meeting**

Cllr Sjollema opened the meeting.

1. **To receive notification from any person present of intent to record the meeting.**

The Clerk advised the meeting would be recorded.

1. **To receive apologies for absence.**

Apologies received from Cllrs K. Lawson, and M. Hodges

**Apologies were approved.**

1. **To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct and with section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.**

Declarations received from Cllr Bryson – Non-Pecuniary DMCP and Cllr Edmond – Non-Pecuniary Essex Waterways

1. **Chair allowed 5 minutes of public participation**

A member of public spoke about DMCP and explained the land was given to the residents of Heybridge Basin and therefore all residents who are responsible for maintenance costs should have the same rights. The member of public said they did not agree with free allocated parking spaces and felt it was undemocratic. They also said that in other councils, where properties had no off-street parking, parking permits were offered and charged for.

Another member of public seconded this as well as explaining that they pay higher rates on their property due to having a garage and parking.

Cllr Bryson informed everyone that no concessions had been agreed to anyone or even been proposed. A whole village survey had been carried out allowing everyone the chance to have an input. Cllr Bryson confirmed The Council is aware of how many people require/would like to apply for a space.

MOP exclaimed that the whitelist should not be for free. Cllr Bryson informed MOP that the car park isn’t free as it’s the council who are currently paying for it.

Another MOP agreed that permits should be given to some people, people that require them, and couldn’t see that many people wanting them.

Cllr Sjollema confirmed that during lockdown only 15 residents wanted a space when the car park was closed.

MOP argued that just to be democratic they should have to pay for them.

Cllr Bryson explain that that was still up for discussion, and that it was limited council tonight and that other members would have an input as well.

Cllr Sjollema asked if any other MOP wanted to discuss anything that was on the Agenda up until the public exclusion, as now as the opportunity to do so.

Cllr Sjollema thanked the public for their participation this evening.

1. **Maldon District Council’s Local Development Plan**
2. To discuss and consider setting up a Task and Finish Group and agree any action to be taken.

Clerk explained that MDC were inviting individuals to comment on the Local Development Plan, and that comments were to be submitted by 14th March 2022. Cllrs Bryson and Schnurr felt that this was more in depth and referred to the neighbourhood/village plan and that a committee would be a better suited option.

Clerk advised that this was simply to comment on each stage of MDC’s LDP review, and that a committee could be set up at another point to discuss the village plan in more detail.

**It was resolved that a Task and Finish Group be set up consisting of Cllrs Schnurr, Lawson, Bryson and Edmond to comment on the LDP. It was resolved that Cllr Schnurr would provisionally draft Terms of Reference for the Task and Finish Group and present to full council at the next meeting.**

1. **Planning Applications**
2. To consider any planning applications received after the publication of the agenda and to agree the action to be taken.

**21/01308/OUT** – The Chase, Osea Island – Outline planning application for the erection of holiday accommodation units within an area of 0.8ha over five parcels of land with all matters of detail reserved for future determination except for means of access. – **It was resolved that Clerk would contact HPC to ascertain their comments for Council to review and make a response accordingly**.

1. **Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is resolved that, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and the public be excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.**

**The 4 members of public left.**

1. **Daisy Meadow Car Park**
2. To receive an update regarding the Contract and to agree the action to be taken

There was no update to be given. **This item was deferred to the next meeting.**

1. To discuss residents parking within DMCP and agree any action to be taken.
2. To discuss a letter received from Tiptree Tea Rooms and agree any action to be taken.

Due to only 4 councillors being present, **it was resolved that items b and c be deferred to the next meeting.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:23pm

Provisional Date of Next Council Meeting Tuesday 15th February 2022

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