



**Minutes of the Great Burstead and South Green Village Council meeting, held at
South Green Memorial Hall, Southend Road, Billericay
on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 at 8:00 p.m.**

Present: -

Councillor M Dear – Chair
Councillor A Boyce
Councillor B Chapman
Councillor L Cowles
Councillor S Crowe
Councillor R Jackson
Councillor L Thomas

Also in attendance: -

Mrs Mylène Linwood, Clerk & RFO to the Village Council

24/01 Apologies

No apologies were received

24/02 Declarations of Interest & Register of Members Interests

Cllr Boyce declared a non-pecuniary interest for planning application 23/01468/FULL.

24/03 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting on 6th December 2023 were received, and duly signed by the Chair of the meeting as a true record of the meeting

24/04 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 were present.

24/05 Finance

The following payments were unanimously approved:

Month	Cheque No	Payee	Description	Amount
January	Standing Order	Mrs M Linwood	Clerk salary December 2023	£766.22
January	Standing Order	Mrs M Linwood	Clerk reimbursement for EE data connection for CCTV. (11 Dec 2023 – 10 Jan 2024)	£16.10
January	022578	Mrs S Crowe	Cllr expenses: Reimbursement of food purchase for Billericay Food Bank Donation 2023.	£103.27
January	022579	Mrs M Linwood	Home Working Allowance Q3: Oct, Nov, Dec 2023	£200.00
			Total	£1085.59

24/06 Planning Applications

Planning App. Ref	Address	Planning Request	Comments
23/01515/FULL	Inglewood Southend Road Great Burstead Billericay	Proposed two storey rear extension, single storey side extension, front infill extension and front dormer extension -	No objection
23/01477/FULL	Grange Farm Church Street Billericay Essex	Proposed detached two storey outbuilding with conservation rooflights -	Object - Due to this application being backland development and also that is is Village Council policy to object to further development on greenbelt land
23/01468/FULL	Barleylands Barleylands Road Billericay Essex	Installation of a solar farm and battery storage facility with associated infrastructure on land at Barleylands, South of Great Burstead on Land South East of Coxes Farm Road, Billericay; and installation of underground cabling from proposed solar farm along A129 (London Road/Southend Road, Wickford) to eastern borough boundary to link to Rayleigh Main Substation, Rawreth (Amended Proposal) -	Objection. Please see attached document for full comments.
23/01488/FULL	Grange Farm Church Street Billericay Essex	Proposed 2m brick boundary wall running 22.6 metres to the western boundary of Grange Farm. -	Due to the plot being on greenbelt land the Village Council have concerns that wall will be an additional permanent structure. Should the application be permitted the Village Council requests the bricks used being in keeping with the surrounding area.
23/01517/FULL	4 Slices Gate Cottage Southend Road Great Burstead Billericay	Proposed construction of 5no. detached dwellinghouses with associated amenity space and accesses -	Objection due to: 1) Village Council policy of objecting to further building on green belt land. 2) the proposal being overdevelopment of the site 3) Road safety concerns with the access to the proposed new properties on Southend Road – a very busy road - and opposite a junction
23/01506/VAR	Maitland Lodge Southend Road Great Burstead Billericay	Variation of Condition 2 (approved drawings - to allow substitution of house types, elevational changes, removal of car ports, provision of a substation and other minor changes), condition 12 (hard landscaping) and condition 13 (soft landscaping) attached to planning permission 21/01687/FULL	More detail drawing on access onto Southend Road required.

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		allowed on Appeal (Ref: APP/V1505/W/22/3296116) for Demolition of Maitland Lodge and the construction of 47 new dwellings (Class C3) with vehicular access onto Southend Road, together with associated infrastructure and landscaping works.	

24/07 Proposed Telecommunications upgrade – Greens Farm Lane

The Village Council reviewed the proposed alterations to the telecommunications equipment on Greens Farm Lane and have no objections. Whilst discussing this, it was raised that the cabinet on Greens Farm Lane often has graffiti on it and Councillors wondered if the telecommunications company could consider looking into having anti-graffiti coating added to the cabinet to help with the problem.

24/08 Proposed stopping up of highway at 26 to 50 Ganel's road, Billericay, Essex CM11 2TG

There being no objections to the draft order proposed by the Department for Transport, it was noted.

24/09 Great Burstead Cemetery Theft Awareness Notice

The Clerk awaits the quote to have a new warning sign installed in the cemetery car park.

24/10 Placement of Bollards around the Parking Bay at South Green Parade of Shops - Tesco's to Tylers Estates

No further update from the Essex Highways engineers on the plans for the stretch of road outside the shops.

24/11 South Green Recycling Point Removal

There continues to be no final results on the public consultation on the removal of the recycling point, or conclusion from Basildon Council

24/12 Defibrillator Government Grant

The Clerk is working on finding a suitable location to install the defibrillator along South Green Shopping Parade.

24/13 Proposed Closure of Billericay Police Station

Members discussed the proposed closure to Billericay Police station and all were opposed to the closure and asked the Clerk to respond to Essex Police with the Village Council's objections.

24/14 Follow up meeting request from Bellway Home regarding Maitland Lodge Housing Development

The Clerk is to arrange a meeting with Cllrs and Bellway Homes to receive their latest amendments.

24/15 Councillor Vacancy

No applications had yet been received. The advertising of the casual vacancy of Councillor to be filled by co-option. will continue.

24/16 Training

No requests were received.

24/17 Social Media

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

- Object to Billericay Police Station closing
- Meeting with Hill Residential
- Object to Barleylands Solar Farm
- Cllr Vacancy

24/18 Date of the next meetings -

7th February 2024, 6th March 2024

24/19 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 8:51pm



Minutes agreed and approved:

Signed:

Date: