



**Minutes of the Great Burstead and South Green Village Council, held at
St Peter's Primary School, Coxes Farm Road, Billericay
on Wednesday 8th January 2025 at 7:00pm**

Present: -

Councillor M Dear – Chair
Councillor A Boyce
Councillor L Cowles
Councillor S Crowe
Councillor R Jackson
Councillor D Sarbutt
Councillor L Thomas

Also in attendance: -

Mrs Mylène Linwood, Clerk & RFO to the Village Council
One member of the public

25/1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

25/2 Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

25/3 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting on 4th December 2024, were received, and duly signed by the Chair of the meeting as a true record of the meeting

25/4 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters, which are of mutual interest. No decisions to be made.

A member of the public attended, enquired about updates on various historical matters and left after the public session.

25/5

The following payments were unanimously approved:

Month	Cheque No	Payee	Description	Amount
Dec		Mrs S Crowe	Cllr expenses: Children's Christmas Gifts	£345.00
Jan	Standing Order	Mrs M Linwood	Clerk salary December 2024	£804.44
Jan	Standing Order	Mrs M Linwood	Clerk reimbursement for EE data connection for CCTV. (12 November to 11 December 2024)	£17.38
Jan		Anglia Sign Casting	Plaque – Passingham Park Bench	£95.16
Jan		Mrs M Linwood	Clerk expenses: Stamps	£13.20
Jan		Viking Direct	Printer Ink and stationary order	£96.88
Jan		Mrs M Linwood	Clerk expenses – venue hire – January Council meeting	£40.00

Jan		Mrs M Linwood	Home Working Allowance Q3 – Oct, Nov, Dec 2024	£200.00
Jan		Mstr S Crowe	Delivery of Local Plan Flyer	£40.00
Jan		Mr A Boyce	Cllr expenses: Printer Ink	£36.07
Jan		Crystal Print	Printing of Local Plan leaflet	£273.00
			TOTAL	£1961.13

The Village Council bank balances on 8th January 2025:

Current Account: £70,390.57 Savings Account: £50,619.99

25/6

Planning App. Ref	Address	Planning Request	Comments
24/01355/FULL	7 Fieldfare Billericay Essex CM11 2PA	Demolition of existing garage, part single and part two storey front, side and rear extensions, new bathroom window to side.	The Village Council object to this application as it is considered to be overdevelopment of the site and would be out of keeping with the street scene. There are concerns the building would be too close to the boundary line. It was noted that another property along the road has had a similar extension but respects the boundary rules.
24/01047/OUT	Blackthorn Stud Kennel Lane Billericay Essex	Proposed development to provide eleven dwellings (outline application with all matters reserved except for access) -	<p>The Village Council object to the application as it is on Green Belt land, the Village Council feel strongly that Green Belt land must be protected.</p> <p>The Council also objects due to the accumulative effect of other applications in close proximity to this application and the therefore detrimental effect yet more homes will have for the current residents and the area. Across the road there is a potential application for 200 homes. The already congested roads in the vicinity cannot accommodate more vehicles.</p> <p>This site is situated on a winding narrow country lane, it is already a dangerous stretch of road where a road traffic fatality has occurred. There would be no footpath for residents to safely travel to local amenities and there are no public transport links available from Kennel Lane.</p> <p>Further homes will add to the deficiencies in social facilities in the area - the local schools are already above their capacity, and from March 2025 there will no longer be a Doctors Surgery within the Parish.</p>

25/7 Local Plan Regulation 18 Consultation

Following a meeting of the Local Plan Working Party Village Councillors' comments on each of the proposed development areas were submitted and collated. Then a formal response incorporating those comments was formulated by the Chair of the Village Council.

Members reviewed the document prior to the meeting.

The final version was approved at the meeting and will be sent to Basildon Council both via email and hand delivered. Members agreed that a letter be sent to our MP requesting a meeting to discuss the Local Plan and the closure of the South Green Surgery. Members also requested that a Planning Officer be invited to a meeting to explain the planning process in relation to the Local Plan.

25/8 Training

There were no requests for training.

The Clerk is to send Cllr Sarbutt the updated training calendar.

25/9 Social Media

The following suggestions were put forward as possible ideas to add to the Village Council's social media pages:

- Local Plan Response
- Village Council delivered leaflets to as many residents as possible to raise awareness of the Local Plan Consultation
- The Solar Powered compacting bin outside Tesco Metro has been moved to ensure it did not hinder safe passage of wheelchairs and pushchairs on that area of pavement.
- 2024 recap of how the CCTV and defibrillator have been used.

25/10 Date of the next meetings -

5th February 2025, 5th March 2025, 2nd April 2025.

25/11 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 7:43pm

Minutes agreed and approved:

Signed:

Date: