

## Little Braxted Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Little Braxted Parish Council held at the Braxted Bakery on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors: Barke, French, Howard and Jepson

Also Present: District Councillor Morgan and one member of the public

## 1. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

No Members declared any interests in matters on the agenda.

## 3. To Consider any requests from Members for Dispensations

There were no requests from Members with pecuniary interests for dispensations to enable them to participate on the item in which they have a pecuniary interest.

**4.** To Agree and Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025 The Council agreed and approved the signing of the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025 as a true record.

# 5. To Invite Members of the Public to speak on Matters Regarding and Affecting the Parish

A member of the public spoke regarding the recent planning approval for a dwelling on the land to the rear of the Green Man Public House. The land was now advertised for sale. The member of the public repeated their concerns in their letter of objection to the application that obstruction of the access by AWA vehicles accessing the sewage pumping station would cause their access to be obstructed by displaced vehicles. The Council expressed sympathy with their concerns but advised they had no ability to challenge the approval.

# 6. To Agree to Purchase the Latest Edition of the Charles Arnold Baker Handbook for the Clerk

The Council agreed to purchase the latest edition of the Charles Arnold Baker Handbook for the Clerk at a cost of £180.

7. To receive financial statements as of 30<sup>th</sup> September and 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025 The Council received and noted the financial statements as of 30<sup>th</sup> September and 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025, with that of 31<sup>st</sup> October showing a balance of £7,526.95.

## 8. To Consider Signage re Flytipping

The Council noted the regular occurrence of flytipping in Witham Road and agreed to consider appropriate signage. The Clerk was asked to research the costs of two signs and a mobile camera.

## 9. To Approve the Following Payments

The Council approved the following payments

Document Reference	Payable To	In Respect of	£	Legislation
935	Maldon District Council	Community Speedwatch	£97.29	LG and Rating Act 1997 s.10
936	H Bendall	Litterpicking – October	£88.36	LGA 1972, s.144
937	G N Mussett	Clerk- October	£175.47	LGA 1972 s112(1) & s112(2)
938	HMRC	Tax/NI	£170.00	LGA 1972 s112(1) & s112(2)
939	Community Action Suffolk	Website Hosting	£66.00	LGA 1972 s142
940	Community Action Suffolk	Domain Name Registration	£55.00	LGA 1972 s142
941	Community Action Suffolk	Email Mailbox	£27.00	LGA 1972 s142
942	Maldon District Council	Road Closure Notice	£216.37	LGA 1972, s.144
943	H Bendall	Litterpicking – November	£88.36	LGA 1972, s.144
944	G N Mussett	Clerk - November	£175.47	LGA 1972 s112(1) & s112(2)
945	Amazon	Printer Ink	£59.71	LGA 1972 s112(1) & s112(2)
946	Royal British Legion	Remembrance Day Wreath	£25.00	LGA 1972, s.144

#### 10. Clerks Report

The Clerk reported regarding the unauthorised traveller site at Rosedale, Lea Lane, Great Braxted. The Enforcement Team at Maldon District Council had, in December 2024, nearly four years after the development commenced, issued notices seeking further information from the landowner, which had eventually resulted in the current planning application, which according to the District Council website was due for determination on 12<sup>th</sup> November. At no time had the District Council issued a formal "stop" notice.

The Clerk reported that the road closure contractors' van had broken down en route to the Remembrance Day Service which had therefore been conducted without the full signage. The Clerk advised that he would address the matter with the contractor (a large national company) before next year's event.

## 11. Closure

The meeting was closed at 7.25p.m.