



Minutes of the Meeting of Little Braxted Parish Council held in The Braxted Bakery, Witham Road, Little Braxted on Tuesday 5th June 2018 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors: Bendall, Dobie and Speakman

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Barke and Chapman and District Councillor Bass.

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 22nd May 2018

The Council agreed and approved the signing of the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd May 2018 as a true record.

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

There were no members of the public present.

6. To Receive and Note the Internal Audit Report for 2017/2018

The Council received and noted the Internal Audit Report for 2017/2018 and that there were no matters for the Council to action.

7. To Agree and Sign the Certificate of Exemption from a Limited Assurance Audit

The Council, with a turnover of less than £25,000 agreed to sign the Certificate of Exemption from a Limited Assurance Audit.

8. To Agree the Governance Statement in the Annual Return

The Council was read, and agreed the Governance Statement in the Annual Return, which was duly signed.

9. To Receive, Agree and Sign the Annual Return to the External Auditor

The Council received, agreed and signed the Annual Return for 2017/2018.

10. To Consider Re-Applying for Quality Status

The Council considered re-applying for Quality Status and agreed that there were no significant benefits, but a cost of £100 in doing so. The Clerk was asked to notify the Essex Association of Local Councils that the Council would not be re-applying.

11. To Apply for a Grant to Undertake a Survey on the Possibility of Extending Hi-Speed Broadband throughout the Parish

The Council agreed to apply for a grant to undertake a survey on the possibility of extending Hi-Speed Broadband throughout the Parish.

12. Clerks Report – for Information

a) Highway Issues – weight/width restrictions, bridge repairs, signage

The Clerk reported that funding had been obtained towards the bridge railings scheme, and approval given by Essex County Council for the scheme. Discussions were still taking place in respect of the signage at the new farm access which would be signed as an HGV turning circle.

b) Braxted Bulletin

Councillor Dobie reported that discussions had taken place regarding restarting the publication of the Bulletin from late summer.

c) A120/A12 routing

Councillor Speakman reported that the preferred route of the A120 was likely to be announced later this week.

13. Closure

The meeting was closed at 7.33 p.m.