

**Draft Minutes of Birchanger Parish Council meeting
held on Tuesday 4th October 2021 at 7.30 pm.
In Birchanger Village Hall**

Present: Angie Driscoll (AD) – Chair
George Taylor (GT)
Sally Taylor (ST)
Peter Sampson (PS)
Linda Pocklington (LP)
John Revell (JR)

0 members of the public
Ray Gooding (County Councillor) - RG
Keith Williams (Parish Clerk)

847. Chairman’s Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all those present.

848. Apologies for Absence

Geof Driscoll (GD)

849. Declarations of Interest

None.

850. Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.

None.

851. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 7th September 2021 (previously circulated) were agreed as a true and accurate record, and were duly signed by the Chair.

852. Finance

a. Accounts Balances (already circulated)

Noted

b. Invoices and payments for approval

Approved

1. Account Balances b/f 31st August 2021

Unity Trust Bank 31159.92

2. Payments due for September 2021

A&J Lighting	SO	45.90 (monthly maintenance)
TBS Hygiene	On line	129.60 (dog bin and rubbish bin emptying)
SAW (already authorised)	On line	500.00 (donation)
Eon	DD	90.50 (electricity August 2021)
Ace of Spades	On line	249.60 (grass maintenance Aug 2021)
Payroo	On line	6.00 (payroll expenses)
Police & Crime Commissioner	On line	70.00 (CSC 01/04/21-30/06/21)
EALC	On line	24.00 (GD to Highways briefing)
David Debnam	On line	110.00 (posts for allotments)
Keith Williams	On line	441.43 (salary for September 2021)
HMRC (Keith Williams)	On line	110.20 (PAYE for September 2021)
Keith Williams	On line	20.00 (office rent September 2021)
Chelmsford Diocese	SO	325.00 (Glebeland rent)
Unity Bank	DD	18.00 (bank charges)

Total payments for September 2021 2140.23

3. Account Balance c/f 30th September 2021

Balance @ 30/09/2021	29019.69
Plus precept received	6657.50
Balance c/f	35677.19

Note 1: The payments to HMRC was made by the parish clerk and is being reimbursed.

ST raised a query regarding the electricity supplied by Eon. Is this on a fixed rate? The Parish Clerk will investigate.

853. Noticeboard

The noticeboard at Bradley Common is considered to be beyond repair. The Parish Clerk has therefore undertaken to make a replacement. JR offered to assist in the erection.

854. Travellers

AD has spoken to Nigel Brown. He advised that there was still no conclusion. There is therefore, at this time, nothing further to report.

855. Planning

UTT/21/2950/HHF – 2 Birchwood, Birchanger

Ground floor front extension to form a new front entrance and facilitate the provision of ensuite bedroom.

No objection subject to this being a permitted development limits.

856. Reports from County and District Councillors

County Councillor Ray Gooding (RG)

- He is meeting with Rissa Long tomorrow (5th October) to discuss the installation of the Wig Wag signs.
- He will also discuss progress on the Birchanger roundabout issue.
- The Afghan refugees have now left the two hotels in Stansted, but the Ibis in Birchanger is still occupied by refugees.
- There is no progress on footpath 15. No date has yet been allocated for commencement of work.

857. Closure of meeting

There being no further matters to discuss the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 19.53.

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