Minutes of a remote meeting of Weeley Parish Council Meeting 15 February 2021

Present: Cllrs Beady, Botterell, Brown, Fitzpatrick, Green, Hamilton (Chair), Foster, Spong, Taylor

TDC Cllr P Harris

Clerk; N Baker

- 1. Apologies
 - None
- 2. Confirmation of minutes The minutes of 18 January were approved; proposed, Cllr Hamilton; seconded, Cllr Brown.
- 3. Declarations of interest None.
- 4. Actions taken since the previous meeting Additional work on petanque rink ordered.
- 5. Questions from members of the public None

6. Essex County Council & Tendring District Council liaison reports

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Cllr Harris reported on the Local Plan (see 11), Oakleigh Park appeal date, TDC discussion on the need to consult parish and town councils on major local events, Tendring shortlisted in National Homebuilding Scheme awards, Covid funding opportunities, waste collection disruptions due to snow.

7. Weeley Residents' Association report

Awaiting lockdown release plans; coach trips expected from around May; financial support much appreciated.

8. Weeley in Bloom

Weather has meant a temporary cessation of activities. Litter pics expected to resume in March in household bubbles.

9. Correspondence

None

10. Planning

20/01239/FUL No objections. Weeley Parish Council feels that this will be a useful addition to facilities in Weeley and will make good use of this disused building.	Proposed change of use from residential property to a veterinary practice (Class D1), including demolition of garages and existing side/rear conservatory and erection of single storey side and rear extension, with permeable hardstanding for parking and improved access.	26, Colchester Road, Weeley
21/00094/OUT WPC objects to this application for the following reasons: this represents backyard development outside the development boundary. It is inappropriate and will harm the appearance of the landscape (policies SPL3 and PPL3. It is now	Proposed development of five detached self-build or custom build houses.	Land to the rear of The Gables and The Towers Clacton Road Weeley Heath

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clearly evidenced that there is		
sufficient housing land supply.		
There is no detail on foul water		
drainage. It will cause an		
unacceptable level of additional		
traffic on a busy road. It will be		
detrimental to the wide range of		
wildlife on the site.		
21/00147/FUL	Single storey rear extension	21 Kidby Way
No objections, subject to		Weeley
neighbours' comments.		
21/00162/TPO	1 No. Oak - Reduce canopy by	Coles Farm
No comment	up to 30% and general tidy up.	20 Bentley Road
		Weeley
21/00010/FUL	Variation of planning	Connolly House
No comment	condition 5 (car parking	Nursing Home
	spaces and bin storage) for	23 The Street
	approved application	Weeley
	17/02161/FUL.	
21/00018/FUL	Variation of condition 2	Land East of Hawk
No comment	(approved plans) of approved	Lane
	application 19/01695/FUL to	Colchester Road
	allow for changes in design.	Weeley
21/00082/FUL	Proposed single storey rear	36 Second Avenue
No objections, subject to	extension with projection to	Weeley
neighbours' comments.	side replacing existing brick	
	built conservatory.	
21/00092/FUL	Proposed new garage in front	Soller Spinney
WPC does not object to this	garden behind hedging.	Gutteridge Hall Lane
application subject to the	/	Weeley
proposed building's continued		
use as a garage.		
21/00108/TPO	1 No. Oak - Prune one lower	19 Cravenwood
No comment	limb overhanging carpark pack	Close
	to grass edge and remove	Weeley
	major deadwood. 1 No. Oak -	
	Reduce side closest to	
	Number 7 by 1.5 metres.	

11. Local Plan

Section 1 is approved and now has legal status. Public hearing on Section 2 scheduled for early March.

12. Highways & footpaths

Nothing to report.

13. Street lights

All working.

14. Tree Warden

Nothing to report.

15. Playing Field

Hatch cover from drainage tank needs to be screwed back on.

16. Playground

A non-functional piece of one of the springers needs to be replaced.

17. Grass cutting & maintenance

Nothing to report.

18. TDALC

No significant items to report.

19. Rural policing

19 crimes in Weeley & Weeley Heath in December.

20. Covid 19

Vaccination rates are increasing and there seems a good system in place to get people to the vaccination centres.

21. Payments

The following payments were approved. Proposed; Cllr Botterell , seconded; Cllr Hamilton.

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INVOICE	CHEQUE	PAYEE	PURPOSE	£	£	£
DATE	NO.			NET	VAT	GROSS
15/02/2021	103097	N BAKER	SALARY	477.85		477.85
15/02/2021	103096	N BAKER	MILEAGE	75.60		75.60
01/02/2021	103098	A & J	MONTHLY	99.98	20.00	119.98
		LIGHTING	MAINTENANCE			
27/01/2021	103095	ALPINE	BENCHES	1507.20	301.44	1808.64
03/02/2021	103099	SUFFOLK	WEBSITE	130.00		130
		CLOUD	HOSTING			
15/02/2021	103103	ANDY	OFFICE WORK	610.00		610.00
	103104	STUDD				
15/02/2021	103102	ICO	GDPR	40.00		40.00
10/02/2021	103101	TDC	BINS	2,221.08		2,221.08
05/02/2021	103100	EALC	TRAINING	180.00	36.00	216.00
02/02/2021	DD	E-ON	STREET LIGHT	383.44	76.69	460.13
			ELECTRICITY			
21/01/2021	DD	BT	TELEPHONE	40.66		40.66

22. Further questions from the public

Photographs and details of missing signage in Hilltop Crescent to be forthcoming shortly.

23. Exclusion of press and public

It was resolved to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as the following agenda items contain items of a commercially sensitive nature. Proposed; Cllr Hamilton; seconded; Cllr Spong

24. Parish Council Office

Following receipt of three quotes, it was resolved to appoint a contractor to undertake decorating and minor electrical works to the Parish Office at a cost of £610.

25. Bench

Following consideration of different bench styles and costs, it was resolved to approve the purchase and installation of a Streetmaster bench in green to replace a bench on Clacton Road at a cost of £900 plus £500 installation costs.

26. Auditor

Following consideration of available options, it was resolved to appoint an internal auditor at a cost of £150 per annum.

27. Payroll

Following consideration of available options, it was resolved to appoint a payroll provider at a cost of £120 per annum.

Items 24 – 27 were taken en bloc; proposed; Cllr Botterell; seconded, Cllr Spong.