



**GREAT OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ON TUESDAY, 16<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024 AT 7.00 PM**

**PRESENT:**

**Chairman:** Cllr M Bush

**Vice Chairman:**

**Councillors:** Cllrs Browne, Harris, C Bush

**District Councillor:** Cllr M Bush

**Essex County Councillor:** Cllr Land

6 members of the public were in attendance.

**07 / 2024 - 01 | Welcome**

Chairman welcomed Cllrs and members of the public.

**07 / 2024 – 02 | Apologies for absence**

The Chairman noted that Cllr Bailey had resigned and gave thanks for her tremendous efforts.

**07 / 2023 - 03 | Declarations of Interest.**

There were none.

**07 / 2023 – 04 | Co-option of Councillors**

Sue Southern spoke of her interest in joining the PC

Wayne Eddy spoke of his interest in joining the PC

Both were proposed by Cllr M Bush Seconded Cllr C Bush– all in favour.

Both were duly co-opted to the Parish Council.

**07 / 2024 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the last meeting (21<sup>st</sup> May 2024)**

**Resolved:** That the minutes be agreed as a true record. Proposed Cllr M Bush, Seconded Cllr Browne - all in favour.

**07 / 2024 – 06 | Public Forum**

MOP thanked the council for the hot water notices.

MOP asked if we could have a sign in the car park ‘fire assembly point’ **ACTION: Look online for a sign.**

MOP asked about the operation of the new heating system, Cllr M Bush said a new ‘idiots guide’ has now been erected and is on the wall.

MOP asked about the post office and the accessibility. **ACTION: Is there a mobile PO option?**

MOP asked about the village sign, where is the original?

MOP asked about minutes – **ACTION** draft copy to be uploaded.

**07 / 2024 – 07 | Clerks report / correspondence**

Clerk reported the following matters:

- burial queries
- a communication from a resident about there being a lack of 30 mph signage on the village entry gates coming from Little Oakley



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**07 / 2024 – 08 | Chairman’s report including TDC items as District Councillor**

Cllr M Bush gave updates on the following points:

- fly tipping down the avenue included asbestos sheets. It has been reported and now removed
- issues at Dovercourt recycling centre have been identified with certain products not being allowed to be dropped on certain days
- Cllr Dan Casey (Chairman of TDC) attended the Oakstones Strawberry tea
- thanks were given to Mrs Margaret Maple for the generous donation towards a defibrillator  
**ACTION: Cindy to speak to Des about training for the defib.**
- TDC are now offering textile recycling options through a new initiative launched this week
- update on parcels of land put forward for consideration by TDC. Soils and Red Barn Lane will not be developed and are protected.

**07 / 2024 – 09 | County Councillor Report**

Cllr Land gave an update on the following matters:

- speeding
- footpath 13
- attended the strawberry tea (Oakstones)

**07 / 2024 – 10 | Reports**

**Burial Ground, Recreation Field, Play Area and Greenswards**

Cllr Browne updated on the following points:

- two of the bins at the cemetery to be removed as the contractor costs will increase otherwise.  
**ACTION: Cllr Browne to action once emptied.**
- the gap onto Beaumont Road from the recreation field is still being used

**Public Rights of Way / Footpaths**

Cllr Browne updated on the following points:

- PROW at the back of church has been cut
- asbestos has been cleared on The Avenue

**ACTION: Cllr M Bush and Clerk to seek a meeting reference uncut path**

**The Environment, Villages in Bloom, Planters**

Planters are being looked after.

**TDALC**

No meeting.

**Village Hall**

Cllr C Bush updated on the following points:

- heating complete
- roof fixed
- wasps removed



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- garden upgraded
- WIFI upgraded

**Stones Green**

Nothing to report.

**07 / 2024 – 11 | To consider planning applications received from Tendring District Council.**

No comments

**07 / 2024 – 12 | Cheques and finance authorisation**

**Resolved:** that this month's cheques be approved and signed.

Proposed by Cllr S Harris, Seconded Cllr Eddy – all in favour.

**07 / 2024 – 13 | Motions to Council**

None

**07 / 2024 – 14 | Agenda Items for Future Consideration**

Burial Ground management

Store room and toilets

Meeting closed 20:55pm

Date and Time of next meeting | Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.00pm | Village Hall