BASILDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Basildon Parish Council held online on the 5th October 2022

Present: Mr Parsons (Chairman), Mr Couchman, Mr Jones, Mrs Greasley,

Apologies: Councillor Law, Councillor Chadwyck-Healey, Councillor Barnes,.

Minutes: Mr Greasley (clerk)

The following members of the public attended the meeting:

Mr & Mrs Laing, Mr Kestle, Ms Ebinezor

1 OPEN FORUM

Questions around Beale Park access via Tookie Wood were raised. Councillor Couchman will write to Beale Park to follow up on the trust’s thoughts regarding permission for dog walking via the steps route.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman declared an interest in Apple Tree Cottage and Councillor Greasley in 11 Emery Acres.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 10th August having been circulated to members were declared correct and signed by the Chairman.

4 PLANNING

The Parish Council considered the following new applications:

22/01855 18 Teneplas – Extension

The Parish Council reviewed the application and had no objections subject to the views of neighbours.

22/01794/LBC2 Tomb Farm – Interior and exterior alterations

The Parish Council reviewed the application and had no objections subject to the views of neighbours.

22/02211 Apple Tree Cottage, Pangbourne Road – Development of one house

The Parish Council reviewed the application and objected on the following grounds:

The proposal affects the rurality of the village by further removing views between houses along the Pangbourne Road. It also has a proposed garden outside of the settlement boundary, something that the Parish Council strongly objects to. Elsewhere, it was noted that were permission granted agricultural traffic would need to access fields behind the new property via the current entrance to Apple Tree Cottage. This, in the opinion of the Parish Council, is insufficient for this purpose.

22/02135 11 Emery Acres – Garage conversion and single front extension

The Parish Council reviewed the application and objected on the grounds that the proposed windows in the extension will have a negative effect on the privacy of the neighbours.

Confirmed Decisions:

22/01611 11 Emery Acres, Garage conversion – WBC Approved, PC No Objection

22/01416 1 Witneys, Gardeners Lane, New Double Garage – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

22/0500 Tomb Farm, Extensions – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

21/02450 Basildon School, New play area – WBC Approved, PC Objection

22/01852 1 Kiln Corner Cottages, New Porch – WBC Approved (PC No response due to cancelled meeting)

22/01848 Meadow View, Hook End Lane, Extension – WBC Approved (PC No response due to cancelled meeting)

22/01719 Lapins Lodge, New solar Panels – WBC Approved (PC No response due to cancelled meeting)

22/01686 4 Teneplas Drive, Extensions – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

22/01631 1 Godwins Lodge, Park Wall Lane, home gym – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

22/01614 Wellesley House, Maple Lane, Replacement garage and access point -WBC Approved, PC No Objections

22/01577 Basildon Service Station, advertisement signboard – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

22/01513 3 Honeycroft Cottages, Pangbourne Road, Conservatory – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

22/01388 Beech House, Bethesda St, new outbuilding – WBC Approved, PC No Objections

5 General items

The Chairman will request quotes for a clean up of the area by the Triangle noticeboard.

The Parish Council discussed the remembrance duties it has. Councillor Jones will order a ‘soldier outline’ for the village at a cost of £175 following agreement by Councillors. Additionally, the Chairman will order this years wreath.

The Parish Council have been made aware of 30mph speed stickers for Wheelie bins and will purchase a pack for distribution. This will be arranged by the Chairman.

Councillor Jones will book in a talk with the local fire service and will advise dates once agreed.

Councillor Jones requested that the Parish Council order a ‘Tommy’ sign for remembrance day at a cost of £200. This was agreed by Councillors.

6 FOOTPATHS, HIGHWAYS AND OPEN SPACES

Footpath 5 was reported as needing a cut back and footpath 17 has a fallen tree across the lower section. The Clerk will report both.

7 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

The district Councillor continues to work on local issues.

8 FINANCE

The following cheques were presented to the meeting:

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| **Cheque No** | **Payee** | **Purpose** | **Nett** | **VAT** | **Total** |
| 103521 | R Greasley | Salary | 368.43 | 0.00 | 368.43 |
| 103522 | HMRC | Tax on salary | 246.00 | 0.00 | 246.00 |
| 103523 | Scofell | Grass cutting | 406.19 | 81.24 | 487.43 |
| 103524 | Basildon PCC | Post Office hire | 400.00 | 0.00 | 400.00 |

The Council accepted cheque numbers 103521 – 103524 and the ongoing Standing Order to cover litter picking was confirmed. The Direct debit to SSE was also confirmed.

Cheques versus bank statements were confirmed as correct by the Clerk.

The clerk confirmed that the conclusion of audit notices had been added to noticeboards and put up on the website.

9 CORRESPONDANCE

None has been received.

10 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business and the meeting concluded at 8:30pm