

GREAT CANFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
 held in the Village Hall Monday 11th November 2019

Present: Cllrs, Ginny Barlow, Keir Donald, Chris Easter, Stuart Hepburn, Jenny Jewell, Robert Mackley (chairman) and the Clerk Allison Ward

District Cllr Geof Driscoll and District Cllr Neil Reeve

County Cllr Susan Barker (part of meeting)

4 Members of the Public (3 leaving during the meeting)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr Michael Knight and accepted by the Parish Council.
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING – None
3. PUBLIC FORUM

Residents commented in objection to planning application UTT/19/2670/FUL, agenda item 7.1 and confirmed they would be submitting their own response. They went on to comment that the application form states the ‘Parish Council was in support of the application’ and asked what the nature of that support was. The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council had not engaged with the applicant on this application and that statement was incorrect. The applicant had written to the Parish Council at the point the application was submitted and apologised for this error; the applicant has since sent an amended application form to Uttlesford. The residents had forwarded their reasons for objections to the Parish Council and the Clerk confirmed this had been received and circulated prior to the meeting.

4. The MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 14th October 2019, were proposed by Cllr Mackley as a true and correct record, this was seconded by Cllr Hepburn with all in agreement; the Chairman signed the minutes.
5. COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLLRS REPORT

The Chairman thanked both District Cllrs for their commitment to attending Parish Council meetings and invited them to address the meeting.

District Cllr Reeve confirmed that Uttlesford had received notification from the Planning Inspector to advise that disappointingly the Local Plan is now deferred until Spring. As the Planning Inspectors response was not sent to Uttlesford before parliament was dissolved, it is not possible to issue any response until after a new parliament is formed and a new Secretary of State is appointed as it could be deemed a politically sensitive issue and one that would influence the voter. Cllr Reeve went on to say that Uttlesford local planning matters, including the airport, are not affected by the election. There is currently no confirmed date for when the Planning Committee will consider the draft section 106 in relation to the airport application to increase passenger numbers. It should be noted that the SSE high court challenge has taken place and a decision is expected in mid December. Due to the move of R4U District Cllrs to the Green Party, there are some changes to District Council responsibilities, Cllr Reeve will become a full planning committee member and therefore any representation required by this Parish Council will come from Cllr Driscoll.

County Cllr Susan Baker reported on matters relating to Essex County Council and noted that there are local school transport issues particularly for families in Canfield Drive. Cllr Barker reminded the meeting of the current Essex County Council policy where transport is only generally provided to the nearest school, not catchment school. Residents are reminded to consider the school transport policy which is available on the ECC website, when making their preferences. The Parish Council asked Cllr Barker for her support in ensuring Green Street remains on the list of surfacing repairs in 2020/21. The Chairman asked Cllr Barker to follow up the poor highway repairs that had recently been completed at High Cross Lane, north of Bacon End. The Clerk asked for assistance in verifying

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ownership of trees along Green Street and will forward correspondence to Cllr Barker. A resident commented on the lack of any notice that Hope End would be closed whilst tree works were completed.

6. PROGRESS UPDATE & CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

6.1. A large number of bags of litter were collected by residents as part of the mid-October village litter pick; the Parish Council are very grateful for resident's efforts both on the 'organised' litter picks and to those residents who pick up litter regularly.

6.2. Fly tipping along Green Street between Peckers and Gilmans, in front of the Apple Store in Bacon End and the long standing asbestos sheets in front of Jocks Hut, Canfield Road have all been reported to Uttlesford enforcement in early November.

7. PLANNING

7.1. Applications

Application No	UTT/19/2670/FUL
Development	Details following outline application UTT/18/0507/OP (approved under appeal reference APP/C1570/W/18/3210211), details of appearance, layout, landscaping and scale.
Location	Land South of Canfield Park Cottage Great Canfield Road

County Cllr Susan Barker arrives during this discussion.

The Parish Council discussed this application. Cllrs were concerned with the design and were generally of the view it was urban in an open setting, not in keeping with the surrounding properties, particularly Canfield Park Cottage which adjoins the site and is low in height. The new dwellings due to their height, would appear 'over-sized' for the setting and dominant on the landscape. A counter view was discussed and it was noted that it is difficult to determine what is in keeping as the design of properties at Hope End are very mixed. The Parish Council acknowledged the resident's comments in objection to the site and their own previous objections to the outline planning application and in light of these were of the view that the Parish Council should make a response to this application. In conclusion Cllr Donald proposed that the Parish Council objects to this application due to the scale and height of the proposed dwellings and the dominating impact they would have on the open countryside, this was seconded by Cllr Barlow. The Parish Council voted on the proposal, there were five in support and one abstention.

1 resident left the meeting

As County Cllr Barker had arrived, the Chairman invited Cllr Barker to address the meeting and her comments are recorded under agenda item 5. Cllr Barker left the meeting after giving her report. And the meeting resumed from this point.

2 residents leave the meeting

Cllr Jewell proposed that application UTT/19/2362/FUL is called in to Planning Committee for decision should the Officers recommend for approval, this was seconded by Cllr Donald. The Parish Council voted on this proposal, there were four in favour and two abstentions. The Clerk will submit a request via District Cllr Driscoll.

Application No	UTT/19/2565/HHF
Development	Installation of a domestic sewage treatment plant
Locations	Champneys Green Street

Cllr Mackley proposed that the Parish Council supports this application, this was seconded by Cllr Barlow with all in agreement.

Prior to consideration of the following application, Cllr Easter disclosed a non-pecuniary interest as the business partner of the applicant.

Application No UTT/19/2636/HHF & UTT/19/2630/LB
 Development Erection of single store extensions to existing annexe
 Location Great Canfield Hall, Church End

Cllr Barlow proposed no comment, this was seconded by Cllr Donald with all in agreement.

Application No UTT/19/2711/FUL
 Development Conversion of existing commercial barn into 1 no. dwelling
 Location The Elms, Bacon End Road

The Parish Council discussed this application and noted that the footprint did not increase in size and given its location there is no impact on residents other than the applicant. Cllr Barlow proposed no comment, this was seconded by Cllr Jewell with all in agreement.

7.2 Decision

Application No UTT/19/1496/HHF
 Development Installation of a domestic sewage treatment plant and creation of an off street parking space alongside existing garage entrance.
 Location Champneys Green Street
 Decision Refused

7.3 Notification has been received of an appeal following Uttlesford decision to refuse permission for 2 no, dwellings at Mayrose, Canfield Drive. The appeal reference is APP/C1570/W/19/3238120 and the deadline for responding is 9th December. The Clerk was asked to submit a response confirming the original objections remain and providing further information on the scale of proposed development at Hope End and the decisions from recent appeals.

8. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

8.1. Footpaths, Byways, Bridleways and Greens – Nothing to report.

8.2. Highways – Nothing to report.

8.3. Crime Prevention/Neighbourhood Watch – Nothing to report.

8.4. Tree Warden – The Clerk continues to seek clarity on ownership of trees along Green Street.

9. FINANCE

9.1. Cllr Mackley proposed the following payment be authorised, this was seconded by Cllr Jewell with all in agreement.

<i>PAYMENT TO</i>	<i>VALUE</i>
Allison Ward - Parish Clerk October 2019	£ 177.82

10. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA – Nothing in addition.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 9th December 2019 at Great Canfield Village Hall at 8pm.

TIME AND CLOSE OF MEETING 9.25pm

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