

Minutes of a Meeting of **Manuden Parish Council** held in the **Community Centre** on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024** at 800 pm

Present: Cllr J Archer ( Chairman)  
Cllr F Womack, ( Vice Chairman)  
Cllr E Croker  
Cllr R Dale- Cooke  
Cllr L Eustace  
Cllr L. Fox  
Cllr N. Millward

In Attendance: Mr C Bartram (Clerk)  
1 Members of the public for part of the meeting  
Apologies D Cllr J Loughlin

**Under an item for Public Information** Mr Alan Stoyell announced that, due to the possibility / probability of his moving out of the village, he would no longer be editing the **Parish News** from May. There then followed a discussion in which councillors were very clear they wished the magazine to continue either in its present or a slightly modified form. The Council also expressed their thanks and appreciation to Mr Stoyell for all his work in editing and producing the magazine for so many years it has been greatly appreciated.

Cllr Fox **Declared an Interest** in the planning application at Saffrons  
**The minutes of the previous meeting** were approved and signed.

### **Matters Arising**

**Uttlesford Local Plan** There was little to say on this topic

**Reactive Dogs** The Clerk had circulated copies of a letter sent by the Dog Warden for Uttlesford concerning the incident and thought it was a good advice and a fair warning.

**UTT/19/0022** The Chairman has responded on behalf of the Council with a broadly neutral comment

**Village Christmas Party for 2023 and 2024** It was generally agreed that the Christmas party for 2023 was a great success , there then followed a discussion over having a different style of party and it was suggested a cooperation with MVCC to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its opening could be considered. The Chairman agreed to consult with the MVCC committee.

**Flooding, ditches and fallen trees** The Council wished to record their thanks to the local farmers and other members of the community who had helped following the spell of poor weather conditions which resulted in fallen trees and blocked ditches and drains.. The Chairman agreed to continue his badgering of ECC in reminding them of their responsibilities.

**Precept** The Council agreed to request a Precept of £11630.00 for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

### **Other Issues**

Cllr Dale-Cooke reported that he now had replacement pads available for the **Defibrillator following its recent use**. It was noted that the prompt action by Mr Alex Waller and the use of the defibrillator had saved the life of a member of our community and very grateful thanks were offered to both.

## Sub Committee reports

**Open Gardens..** Will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> June

**Footpaths.** Cllr Fox had circulated an update on the volunteer group/P3 Scheme to councillors., who were all very much in approval of her efforts to get the scheme up and running and agreed to fund the expenses during the trial period of a year.

**Fun Run.** the Committee are keen for it to continue

**Scarecrow Trail.** There had now been a date change due to the availability of MVCC

### Applications received:

Demolition of existing 2no. outbuildings and shed. Erection of replacement shed, cart shed and annex. Saffrons Maggots End Maggots End Road Manuden

Ref. No: UTT/23/3102/HHF3 | *Status: Awaiting decision*

First floor internal alterations of the mid-C20 extension. Repairs to the brickwork and mortar of the existing inglenook fireplace. Replacement external door and windows. Removal of the C20 timber porch to the utility. Saffrons Maggots End Maggots End Road Manuden Ref. No: UTT/23/3097/LB

*Status: Awaiting decision*

### Applications determined

UTT/23/2438/DOC Application to discharge condition 4 (remediation scheme) and 8 (renewables) attached to UTT/23/0052/FUL. Planters The Street Manuden *Status Discharge Conditions in Part*

### Financial report

The Council approved the following payments

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| Ace of Spades .....                                | £614.40  |
| Ace of Spades .....                                | £288.00  |
| C Bartram for Bonney gift .....                    | £28.13   |
| C Bartram salary until 31 <sup>st</sup> March..... | £3650.00 |

### Received

Donation from UDC for Coronation tree .....£200

This will leave a balance of £12753.31

### Other information

It was announced the **Community Speed Watch** group would probably soon be resuming their operations following the recent spell of bad weather and Christmas holidays..

There being **no further business the meeting** ended at 9.55 pm

Date of the next meeting **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**