

MANNINGTREE TOWN COUNCIL

Unapproved

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held in the Community Room Thursday 18th January 2006

93/06 Present: Cllr. L. Lay-Flurrie
Cllr. M. Dew
Cllr. A. Hoskyns
Cllr. Hughes-Stanton
Cllr. K. Scott
Cllr. R. Streames

In attendance: Mr. and Mrs. Brightman
Patrick Thomas
Ms. R. Kenneison – Clerk

94/06 Apologies for absence Cllr. Edwards, Mr. J. Schofield.

95/06 Minutes of the previous meetings The minutes of the meetings of 14th December were approved and signed. Proposed Cllr. Hoskyns, seconded Cllr. Scott.

96/06 Declaration of interests The Clerk said all declarations of interest had been returned to her. Cllr. Hoskyns said she would like it to be known that she held a number of Tesco shares but this in no way changed her view of the company.

97/06 Matters arising from the minutes

39/03 Condition of building at 33 South Street The Clerk was asked to pursue this with TDC. **Action: Clerk**

21/05d) Bench from near Skinners' Arms **Item discharged**

126/05 Guide Book The company initially approached had kept promising to get in touch and never had; the Clerk was asked to find an alternative **Action: Clerk**

57/06 Community Room Cllr. Dew reported that IT in the Community will pay for the phone and so our costs in taking on the room are now covered. The Town Council needs to arrange a direct debit to pay for broadband, but can then claim all this money back via TCVS. In addition, the lease has come through from Colne Housing. The Council agreed that Cllr. Dew and the Clerk should arrange matters as expeditiously as possible.

Action: Cllr. Dew, Clerk

67/06a) Yellow lines on South Street **Item discharged**

67/06b) Parking on Quay Street The situation has resolved. **Item discharged**

78/06 Town Plan meeting A date in February is being organised. **Action: Clerk**

98/06 Open Session The members of the public present introduced themselves. Mr. and Mrs. Brightman explained that they were interested in a number of local matters; Mr. Thomas said he was studying town plans.

99/06 To receive reports from representatives on committees Cllr. Scott reported from the Older People's Forum that efforts are being made to organise gardening help for the elderly.

To approve payment of the following cheques Proposed Cllr. Hughes-Stanton, seconded Cllr. Hoskyns.

Mr. Lay-Flurrie (materials to repair bench)	£22.22
Mistley PC (for PCSOs)	£900.52
E-on Energy	£166.09
And passed for urgent payment: Lawford PC (handyman)	£1,045.31

92/06 Correspondence

a) A letter had been received from Tesco's planning consultants, and also from Bernard Jenkin MP, finally confirming that Tesco's have bought the Railex site. The consultants have asked to meet the council to give a 'short presentation' to explain the likely programme of

community consultation'. The Clerk was asked to write and offer them the February and March meeting dates.

Action: Clerk

b) It had been pointed out to the Clerk that a recent Neighbourhood Watch e-mail made it appear that PCSO Cuthbert was detailed to patrol Ardleigh, Bradfield and so forth as well as Manningtree, Mistley and Lawford. The Clerk was asked to investigate this as the two PCSOs are for the three parishes only.

Action: Clerk

c) In addition: Cllr, Dew to attend TDC planning meeting regarding 23, Lushington Rd; various Councillors to attend Manningtree High School meeting; a number of 137 requests put aside until year end.

Action: Councillors

The Clerk added that some paperwork had been added to the file: letter concerning rural post offices from DTI; E. Essex Area Forum; TDC: precept, Forward Plan; Older People's Forum.

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CLERK'S REPORT TO THE MEETING OF 18th January 2007

Report prepared 11th January

39/03 Condition of building at 33 South Street Nothing further to report.

21/05d) Bench from near Skinners' Arms I met an officer from TDC who approved the suggested site .

101/05 Possible site for youth shelter I have written to Telereal.

103/05a) Conservation Area Nothing further to report.

117/05b) Highways matters See letter on file.

126/05 Welcome card and guide book Nothing further to report. I have been promised calls from their sales person but he has never rung me.

10/06a) Quotes for lighting maintenance I will discuss this with other clerks.

24/06 Replacement street light Still no light. Just Lamps say if we want anything else done, they will come out at once to do it, but they cannot source the lamp at the moment.

56/06c) Environment Agency works Nothing further to report.

57/06 Running of Community Room I have written to Colne Housing as requested.

66/06e) Future of Railex Site Confirmation received that the site is owned by Tesco.

66/06f) New market sign New sign still awaited. I have emailed the company but received no reply.

67/06a) Suggestion to have time-limited yellow lines near the top of South Street I have yet to hear from County about the camber etc at this location..

67/06b) Parking on Quay Street Still no response.

78/06 Town Plan meeting I am currently confirming possible dates with the individuals concerned.

81/06 Location of waste bins I have contacted TDC to have the bins moved but was unable to reach the relevant officer.

82/06 Public access at Mistley Quay I have written to the HSE, asking them to pursue safety matters at the Quay.