##  MINUTES

##  OF THE FOULNESS ISLAND PARISH COUNCIL (FIPC)

##  HELD AT THE LODGE FARM STAFF PREMISES, FOULNESS ISLAND

##  ON WEDNESDAY 1st DECEMBER 2021.

 (Meeting conducted under the issued Coved-19 Lodge Farm Staff Premises Risk Assessment)

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Item: No informal meeting.

**50 21-22 To Record the Members and Public Present at the FIPC Meeting**: 7.00 pm

 Councillor (Chairman) Mrs E Pitts.

 Parish Councillors: Mr G Bickford, Mrs F Giles (Vice) and Mr A Holyland.

 Essex Councillor Mr M Steptoe.

 QinetiQ representative: None.

 Members of the Public: Mr and Mrs P Carr.

 The Parish Clerk: Mr B Summerfield.

**51 21-22 Chairman’s Comments:**

 The Chairman welcomed all Councillors and the public to the meeting.

**52 21-22 Apologies and reasons for absence:**

i To be received by the Clerk only in person via: email, letter and telephone.

ii Acceptance of the reasons for FI councillors absence: None.

iii QQ representative Miss N Uden.

iv Ward Councillors: None.

**53 21-22 Declarations of Interests:**

i To receive all declarations of interests: None.

ii The Chairman reminds Councillors to declare any further interests as they became evident to them,

 during the progress of the meeting.

**54 21-22 Foulness Island Public Forum:** (5 Minutes per person with a Maximum of 15 minutes).

 Councillors, Guests, visiting Ward/County Councillors and questions from members of the public.

i                   Essex Councillor Mr M Steptoe reported:

 Essex County Council meetings were cancelled in respect for the death of MP Sir David Amess – County Meetings

 are reduced next week because of Covid restrictions – Brentwood is a hotspot for OMICRON and anyone who has

 visited the KFC, Brentwood to report and isolate – All residents are requested to have their boosters and jabs

 updated – Asian Bird Flue has been reported in North Fambridge, Hullbridge and North Essex – ‘What Three Words’

 is the now favoured way of identifying Highway faults re: Streetlights, Potholes and Blocked drains, etc. – The new

 Essex Portfolio Holder for The Arts, would like to visit the Heritage Centre and it will be arranged in the near future

 with Mr P Carr.

ii Councillor Mr G Bickford requested that the Post Code Sat Nav problems that the Islanders face; with visitors to

 the Island being led astray and ending up miles away (by allegedly Google in particular), is to be investigated by

 Ward Councillor Mr M Steptoe with info. from Cllr Bickford.

**55 21-22 To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the 13th October 2021:**

 The Minutes were read and were Resolved to be agreed.

 Proposed by Councillors: Mr A Holyland, seconded by Mr G Bickford and agreed by all.

 The Chairman duly signed the Minutes as a correct record.

**56 21-22 Matters Arising from the Minutes: (Not on the Agenda)**

 (Minute 47) Future Meeting regularity

i The Clerk advised that the Council is obliged to meet on at least six occasions during any one the year.

 The AGM to be held in May of each year.

ii Councillors agreed to continue the bimonthly meetings.

**57 21-22 Finance: (Precept)**

i The DRAFT RDC Council Tax Base and Town/Parish Precepts information was recorded.

ii The DRAFT calculations re: the PRECEPT for 2022-2023 were discussed at length and were recorded.

iii Resolved the PRECEPT on the Rochford District Council for 2022-2023 is £3,100-00.

 Proposed by Councillor Mr A Holyland, seconded by Mr G Bickford and agreed by all.

**58 21-22 Finance:**

i i The 1st December FIPC Financial Statements were recorded.

 ii The Co-op Bank Financial Statements of 1st December 2021 were recorded.

ii The above FIPC balances were checked against Co-op Bank Statements by Cllrs: Mrs E Pitts and Mr G Bickford.

iii A Bacs transfer October 2021 from the Co-operative Funeral Directors (re: G11) @ £180-00 was recorded.

iv Agreed a transfer payment to Cllr Mrs E Pitts re: the supply of a Remembrance wreath @ £….. to be paid when

 the invoice is received, was recorded.

v Agreed a transfer payment for a late invoice (1148288) received from the DIO for rent re: the Community space,

 Churchend @ £10-00 was recorded.

vi A transfer payment to the Clerk Mr B Summerfield re: Amazon supplied printer toners @ £40-99 was recorded.

vii The salary transfer payment November 2021 to the Clerk @ £153-39 was recorded.

viii The salary transfer payment December 2021 to the Clerk @ £156-39 was recorded.

ix The transfer payment October 2021 to the Clerk re: Salary payment @ £152-16 was recorded.

x The transfer payment October 2021 to DIO re: 1146340 Bus stop rental, Courtsend, Foulness @ £60-00 was recorded.

xi The transfer donation October 2021 to Essex and Herts Air Ambulance @ £50-00 was recorded.

xii Resolved: all invoiced payments, auditing statements, financial statements, receipts, Bank transfers, etc.

 Proposed by Councillors: Mrs E Pitts., seconded by Mr G Bickford and agreed by all.

**59 21-22 Planning:**

i Application no 21/00205/FUL Land Fronting 1 to 9, The Chase, Foulness Island, Essex.

 (Creation of 25 no. Off-Street Car Parking Spaces with 4no. EV Charging Points Land Front 1-9 The Chase) -

 Foulness Island Parish Council has no comment.

ii Application no 21/00288/FUL Land Fronting 28 and 29, Courtsend, Foulness Island, Essex.

 (Proposed 22 no. Off-Street Car Parking Spaces, to include 6no. EV Charging Points and 2no. Disabled Spaces.

 Land Fronting 28, 29 and 44 to 52 Courtsend) -

 Foulness Island Parish Council has no comment.

**60 21-22 Correspondence and the Clerk’s Admin Report:**

i A formal letter of thanks to the Thorpe Bay Rotary Club for their kind donation to the FIPC, towards

 the installation of the two defibrillators @ £500-00 was recorded.

ii An e/letter November 2021 from Essex and Herts Air Ambulance re: FIPC donation @ £50-00 was recorded.

iii An e/letter October 2021 (referred to QQ) Mr J Sandler Clarke re: Journalist visit re: flood defences was recorded.

iv The publication of the UC Foulness Residents Updates: November & December 2021 was recorded.

v The publication of the QQ ‘Living on MOD Shoeburyness’, October 2021 was recorded.

vi The publication of the Foulness Island newsletters of November and December 2021 were recorded.

vii Agreed the Clerk will photograph the reported problem/complaint of the blocked Crouch Corner byway

 to be forwarded to Ward Councillor Mr M Steptoe, Essex County Councillor.

viii A complaint from a resident of a person allegedly standing in their front garden using a radar gun was

 investigated and responded too, by Miss N Uden, QQ.

ix Current Burial Ground/Cemetery correspondences were recorded.

x The Parish Councillor vacancy on the Parish Council was advertised on the Notice Boards, on the FIPC website.

**61 21-22 Act of Remembrance Service:**

 The FI Act of Remembrance on the 14th November 21 was solemnised by the Wreath laying by Mr S Giles at the

 War Memorial and at the three War Graves. There were a reported 18 attending Islanders.

**62 21-22 Streetlighting:**

 Councillors to note the numbers written on the streetlights that are not working and report them to the Clerk.

**63 21-22 Highways:**

 Councillors reports: None.

**64 21-22 Website:**

 The website is to be brought up to date with the inclusion of this meetings’ information.

**65 21-22 Next Agenda Items from Councillors:** *for next Agenda and exchange of information only.*

 Items: A potential December planning application re: Churchend parking.

66 21-22 Private and Confidential:

 The Clerk’s Contract was resolved, and two copies were signed by the Chairman and Clerk/RFO.

**67 21-22 The next Foulness Island Parish Council Meeting:**

 to be held as agreed and further advised by the latest Government Covid 19 Announcement!

 Agreed: **2nd FEBRUARY 2022.**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10 pm.

28th January 2022. B. Summerfield, Foulness Island Parish Council Clerk/RFO).