**FOULNESS ISLAND PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes** of the virtual meeting of Foulness Island Parish Council held on Wednesday 10th March 2021, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors, G. Bickford (Vice Chair), F. Giles, A. Holyland and E. Pitts (Chair).

In attendance: County Councillor M. Steptoe, District Councillor D. Efde, J. Watson (Clerk).

**MINUTES**

1. **The Chair to declare the meeting open.**
2. The Chair declared the meeting open.
3. **To receive notification from any persons present of intent to record the meeting.**
4. No persons present notified the meeting that they intended to record the proceedings.
5. **To receive apologies for absence.**
6. Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor J. McPherson.
7. **To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct and with section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.**
8. There were no declarations if interest.
9. **To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 10th February, 2021.**
10. Proposed Councillor Pitts, seconded Councillor Giles that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 10th February, 2021be signed as a correct record. Carried unanimously.

1. **To receive a report from the District and County Councillors on any matters of interest to the Parish.**
2. District Councillor Efde reported on the current arrangements re Mill Hall.
3. District Councillor Steptoe reported on,
4. Covid-19 vaccinations in the Essex County and Rochford District Council areas,
5. The Coastal Path, and,
6. Schools opening.
7. **Financial Matters.**
8. Proposed Councillor Pitts, seconded Councillor Giles that the payment requests for February/March 2021 be approved. Carried unanimously.
9. Proposed Councillor Bickford, seconded Councillor Holyland that the receipts for February/March 2021 be approved. Carried unanimously*.*
10. **Asset Register.**
11. Proposed Councillor Pitts, seconded Councillor Bickford that the revised Asset Register dated 10th March 2021 be approved. Carried unanimously.
12. **Standing Orders/Financial Regulations**
13. Proposed Councillor Pitts, seconded Councillor Giles that the revised Standing Orders/Financial Regulations as circulated prior to the meeting be approved. Carried unanimously.
14. **Planning**
15. The Clerk reported that no further information had been received from Rochford District Council relating to the Planning Applications in respect of St Mary the Virgin Church, Churchend, Foulness Island.

1. **Clerk’s Report**
2. The Clerk reported on outstanding matters as follows;
3. Defibrillators – Delivery of the two defibrillators was expected shortly.
4. Parish Council records- still being reviewed.
5. Meeting Room – It was currently uncertain as to whether the Council would be allowed to hold Zoom meetings after 6th May 2021. He would investigate possible venues.
6. **The meeting will stand adjourned to permit Parishioners of Foulness Island to address the Council.**
7. Councillor Pitts thanked District Councillor Steptoe for arranging for the fallen tree in New Road to be dealt with.
8. **At the Chair’s discretion for Councillors to exchange information on matters relating to the Parish/**
9. No information was exchanged.

Meeting closed at 7.23 pm

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