



# LAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES

25<sup>th</sup> March 2015

A Ordinary Meeting of the members of Lambourne Parish Council was held  
On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.45pm at Abridge Village Hall

Those present were: Cllr Alan Barr, Cllr John Filby, Cllr Charles Portou (Vice Chairman),  
Cllr Pat Price (Chairman), Cllr Arnold Raven.

Also In attendance: Maria Burgess (Clerk to the Council)  
Cllr Brian Rolfe

3 members of the public.

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Meeting opened at 7.50pm

#### **14.118 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr A Hanch, Cllr L Shreeve and Cllr R Witham.

#### **14.119 Declaration of Interests**

None.

Cllr B Rolfe arrived at the meeting.

#### **14.120 Public Forum**

Members of the public reported the activity taking place on the sewer beds in London Road, Abridge. Councillor Rolfe would be taking this up with EFDC.

Cllr C Portou left the meeting.  
Cllr C Portou arrived back at the meeting.  
3 members of the public left the meeting.

#### **14.121 Minutes of the last meeting– 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.

#### **14.122 Matters Arising & Clerks Report and Actions from Last Meeting**

Members NOTED the following matters arising and actions from the last meeting:

Gallman's End Farm - After contacting Dr. Paul Baccharini the Land and Water Quality



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Officer at EFDC regarding Gallman's End, a response was received on 20/2/2015 and forwarded to all members.

Retail Sales at Gallman's End Farm – PP sent email on 11th March 2015 to Sharon Hart Enforcement Officer at EFDC and received a response on 17th March, forwarded to allmembers.A further query is to be submitted.

Control of Dogs – Steve Harcher at EFDC gave an update on the current situation regarding the control of dogs: the Neighbourhoods Team are responsible for dealing with anti-social behaviour. Evidence that such behaviour is considered to be of detriment to the community is required for them to act. Signs may help to deter owners from taking their dogs into playgrounds. If fouling is taking place, it is possible to fine the owner. Advice from central government is that it is not acceptable to use CCTV to catch the perpetrator. A further request had been made to Mr Richard Gardiner who is to look into the possible adoption by EFDC of the Anti-social behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 in respect of the control of dogs.

New campaign to find the UK's lost playing fields – An email was received from Fields in Trust on 12th March 2015 and forwarded on to members for information.

National Plant Monitoring Scheme – An email was received from Plantlife on 5th March 2015. The scheme is the first of its kind and asks for volunteers across the United Kingdom to visit a kilometre square local to them and record the plants they find there in several different plots. The scheme will help to explore how plants in different habitats are responding to changes in the environment. The Clerk has asked Tony Carter to put this on the website to encourage residents to take part.

Letter from NHS England Re Controlled Locality Determination in relation to Abridge – forwarded to all members on 20th March 2015.

Play in the Park 2015 – The schedule of dates has been received for the Easter and Summer holidays. The two Easter dates requested were not available, so have been arranged for Wednesdays instead of Tuesdays. I have asked for a poster to put in the noticeboard.

### 14.123 Planning

The following Planning Applications were considered:

Planning Application	Comments
<b>EPF/0362/15 - The Sycamores, 8 Ongar Road, Lambourne, Romford, Essex, RM4 1UP.</b> Proposed boundary wall.	The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to this application.
<b>EPF/0412/15 - 46 New Farm Drive, Abridge, Romford, Essex, RM4 1BT.</b> Demolition of semi-detached bungalow and erection of detached four bedroom dwelling with integral single garage and dormer windows to front and rear.	The Parish Council had NOT OBJECTION to this application in principle, subject to meeting building regulations and no neighbour dispute.



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<b>EPF/0027/15 - River Cottage, 13 Ongar Road, Lambourne, Essex, RM4 1UB.</b> Two storey rear extension, single storey alteration to side elevation.	The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to this application and welcome renovations to old character buildings.
<b>EPF/0028/15 - River Cottage 13 Ongar Road Lambourne Essex RM4 1UB</b> Grade II Listed building application for a two storey rear extension, single storey alteration to side elevation.	The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to this application providing that it meets conservation requirements.
<b>EPF/0500/15 - 44 New Farm Drive, Abridge, Essex, RM4 1BT.</b> Demolition of rear conservatory and erection of new single storied front porch and single storey rear extension.	The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to this application.

Applications received for information only from Epping Forest District Council were NOTED.  
Planning Decisions received from Epping Forest District Council were NOTED.  
There were no new Enforcement items received from Epping Forest District Council.  
There was one planning appeal received from Epping Forest District Council.

### 14.124 External Meetings Attendance Update

There were no reports at this time.

### 14.125 Correspondence

Members NOTED the following correspondence received since the last meeting:

- a) Letter from NHS England regarding Controlled locality determination in Abridge.
- b) Play in the Park sessions.

### 14.126 Update from District Councillor and County Councillor

Cllr B Rolfe had nothing to report at this time and Cllr M McEwen was unable to attend the meeting.

### 14.127 Highways

Members NOTED the Highways report and updates and the Clerk is to make the necessary amendments. Cllr C Portou agreed to contact Matthew Valentine at ECC Highways for an update on highways issues at Hoe Lane and the bridge at Abridge Road. Cllr Price reported that she is preparing a submission to the Highways panel concerning a request for the



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reinstatement of the white line on the bend in Manor Road.

### **14.128 Enforcement Officers Report**

Members NOTED the report and the Clerk is to make the necessary amendments.

### **14.129 Environment Agency River Roding Issues**

Cllr C Portou updated members that he has still not been able to establish contact with Dak Gor's successor at Environment Agency in regard to the public meeting regarding the River Roding Management Strategy. Cllr A Raven raised concerns on behalf of residents of Church Lane that portable signage in regard to the Environment Agency site and reduced speed limit by Hillmans Cottages has been damaged and knocked down and made that section of the Ongar Road untidy. Cllr C Portou made members aware that there was still maintenance work that needed to be carried by the Environment Agency and that is why the signage which is valid for a period of 18 months has not been removed. The Clerk agreed to contact Highways in regard to the damaged signage.

### **14.130 Speed Watch Session**

Due to the lack of availability of members of the speed watch team this month, Members AGREED to add this item to the next agenda.

### **14.131 Parking Issues in Parish**

There were no new parking issues raised at this time.

### **14.132 NHS Consultation for Pharmacy**

Cllr J Filby read out his proposed comment to the consultation, to be considered by Members, to the effect that no additional pharmacy was needed in the vicinity nor indeed would it be a viable business. Members AGREED to the comments and the response letter to be sent.

### **14.133 Meetings Dates 2015/16**

Members agreed to the suggested dates for Council meetings for the 2015/16 municipal year.

### **14.134 Finance**

The RFO report was approved and cheques signed.



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## 14.135 Any Other Business

Cllr A Raven informed members that he has reference details for the manhole cover at London Road, should the matter arise again.

Cllr A Barr asked for a copy of the response from EFDC regarding the drainage issues at Gallman's End Farm.

## 14.136 Date of next Meeting -22<sup>nd</sup> April 2015 at Lambourne Parish Rooms.

Meeting closed at 9.34pm

Signed.....

Date.....