



# Messing Cum Inworth Parish Council

## COUNCIL MEETING 19 SEPTEMBER 2023



Minutes of the meeting of Messing Cum Inworth Parish Council held on Tuesday 19 September 2023 at Messing Village Hall commencing 7.30pm

### PRESENT

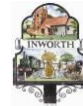
<b>Chairman</b>	Councillor R Suckling	Yes
<b>Councillors</b>	Councillor A Harding	Yes
	Councillor Mrs J Hughes	Yes
	Councillor J Longman	No
	Councillor R Strudwick	Yes
	2 VACANT SEATS	

**IN ATTENDANCE** two members of the public

- 1 160/23 **APOLOGIES** were received from Councillor J Longman. It was agreed by all to **APPROVE** this absence. Apologies from the Clerk were received and **NOTED**
- 2 161/23 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Nil
- 3 162/23 **MINUTES:**
  - a) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 23 May 2023, agreed by all as an accurate record.
  - b) Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20 July - **DEFERRED**
- 4 163/23 **MATTERS ARISING:** Nil
- 5 164/23 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
  - a) To receive reports from City and County Councillors - Nil
  - b) To receive public comments relating to the Agenda or matters for future consideration - it was **NOTED** that tree sponsorship payment remains outstanding. Orchard account update and information on the allotment waiting list were requested.
- 6 165/23 **CLERK'S REPORT:** Nil
- 7 166/23 **FINANCE**
  - a) RFO report: Nil
  - b) It was agreed to approve payments presented:

Staff	Salary (Jun)	£829.85
EE Limited	Mobile phone	6.24
RS	Orchard trees	52.00
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Staff	Salary (June)	829.85
  - c) The following payments were **DEFERRED**

P Sunberg	Bus Shelter Roof	300.00
J Stobart	Internal Audit	250.00
Staff	Salary (July)	956.72
Staff	Salary (August)	746.08
RCCE	Membership fees	72.60
- 8 167/23 **PLANNING**
  - i. An Enforcement report was received and **NOTED** - further enquiries to be undertaken by Councillor Mrs J Hughes, reporting back to Council in October.
  - ii. 232049 - Bouchers Hall, Kelvedon Road, CO5 9TW - proposal to replace overgrown Laurel tree with hedging
  - iii. 231995 - Harborough Hall Cottage, Harborough Hall Lane, CO5 9UB - proposed single storey rear and side extension
  - iv. 231689 - Messing Village Hall, The Street, CO5 9TR - proposed erection of canopy over entrance doors - **COMMENT**
  - v. 231638 - Land at Elms Farm, Messing Road, CO5 0ES - Outline application for 200 no. residential dwellings, a new vehicular access onto Colchester Road (B1022), community land, allotments, public open space, and associated works - **COMMENT**



vi. 231551 - Maypole Thai Restaurant, Messing Road, CO5 0ES - demolition of existing outbuildings to rear of restaurant, and erection of no. 2 three-bedroom chalet bungalows with allocated parking and private amenity space - Planning Decision - **REFUSED**

- 9 168/23 **BUSINESS ACTION LIST** - tasks allocated.
- 10 169/23 **GOVERNANCE** - Councillor A Harding to undertake Review of Standing Orders, agreed by all.
- 11 170/23 **A12/A120 WIDENING** - MIAG continue to maintain pressure on NH via Special Access Requests
- 12 171/23 **ESSEX HIGHWAYS**: Nil
- 13 172/23 **ORCHARD**
- a) Cllr Harding to redraft Terms of Reference taking into account all previous comments
  - b) All communication to be copied to Councillor R Suckling
  - c) A grant request for the Orchard was **RECEIVED** - it was **RESOLVED** to fund pruning course costs £170 and £30 shortfall, on proposal of Cllr Suckling, seconded by Councillor Mrs Hughes and agreed.
  - d) It was **RESOLVED** to approve £560 grass cutting quote for 2 cuts, proposed Cllr Suckling, seconded by Cllr Mrs Hughes and agreed.
- 14 173/23 **CO-OPTION** - Policy to be reviewed, Cllr Harding to advertise vacancies.
- 15 174/23 **VILLAGE SERVICES** - Cllr Suckling to review Bus Service and Essex mobile library.
- 16 175/23 **ALLOTMENTS**
- a) Vacant plot from 01 October, waiting list empty
  - b) All correspondence to be copied to Cllr Mrs Hughes - to review waiting list procedure
  - c) Allotment 4 in need of attention before vacating, allotment 12 overhanging branches need pruning back, Cllr Mrs Hughes to liaise with the Clerk
- 17 176/23 **20'S PLENTY** - Clerk to provide update, copies of correspondence and draft petition
- 18 177/23 **PARISH MAINTENANCE**
- a) Repair to bus shelter roof has been completed.
  - b) Update on repair request to porthole on play equipment - Clerk to follow up with Wickstead.
- 19 178/23 **ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA** - Standing Orders, Orchard Committee Terms or Reference, Co-option Policy and advert, GDPR protocol.
- 20 179/23 **DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - Tuesday 17 October 2023 commencing 7.30pm