

TERLING AND FAIRSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 22nd May 2007 at 7.00pm, in Terling Village Hall

Present

Mrs. A. Anderson. (Chairman)
Mr. R. Dixon
Mrs. S. MacNamara
Mr. P. Evans
Mr. T. Lewis
Mrs. C. Godfrey
Mr. D. White
Mr. I. Smith
Mr. A. Meyer (District Councillor)
The Clerk
The Handyman
PC Nikki Doubleday
Tony Lynch, Community Warden
4 members of the public
2 representatives of Braintree District Council Environmental Dept., Ian Haines and Jenny Nice.

Parish Councillors' Introduction.

Minutes of the meetings held on May 23rd, 2006:

These were unanimously approved.

Matters Arising:

None.

Ian Haines and Jenny Nice presented a slideshow on recycling to the meeting.

Five years ago, landfill sites began to run out of space. Methane produced by waste has to be controlled, so the government limits councils on disposal and if they overstep this, they are heavily fined. All the councils in Essex are working together. Minimum waste at source is the priority. Waste treatment will obtain maximum recycling and two plants would cover the whole of Essex.

Grey bins have been installed in "alternate collection areas". They hold just enough waste for the average family, so recycling is enforced. It cost £64 per household to collect waste in 2006/2007. 85% of households are recycling. Twin-pack vehicles collect recycling- newspapers are collected separately, because they can be sold. All collected recycling is sorted, much by hand. Plastic containers should be clean and no polystyrene can be recycled. Ian Haines will send information for the Parish magazine. The

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Chairman thanked both him and Jenny Nice for coming to the meeting.

Village Design Statement:

This is progressing and the draft questionnaire will be ready for trialing in two weeks' time. Both Terling Tots and Terling School are giving feedbacks.

Street Lamp:

Just Lamps had sent four lamp designs, similar in appearance to the discontinued one, which had been the parishioners' first choice. The Councillors chose Lamp B. The Clerk was asked to find out whether this design has a timer and to check on the material it is made of. She should also make sure that the quoted price of £1698.00 + VAT is all-inclusive. EDF Energy is to be issued permission to connect as soon as possible after the lamp is installed. EDF connection charge is £542.00 + VAT.

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Computer Course:

Another advertisement will appear in the June Parish magazine., giving more details.

Open Forum:

PCSO Nikki Doubleday asked Parish Councillors to fill in residents' forms, which were distributed, to give her a better idea of residents' concerns. She also told councillors about NAPS, Neighbourhood Action Panels. A meeting will take place on June 9th and CC will attend.

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The Parish is quiet at the moment.

It was suggested that Nikki could make contact with older parishioners, through the Always Welcome Club.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.