

## Annual General Meeting of the River Crouch Coastal Community Team

Monday 21st May 2018 at the Civic Suite, Rayleigh, SS6 8EB

### Meeting Notes

#### Present:

Cllr Keith Ager	Hullbridge Parish Council
Cllr Diane Hoy	Rochford District Council
Cllr Ron Pratt	Maldon District Council
Cllr Penny Channer	Maldon District Council
Cllr Andrew St Joseph	Maldon District Council
Cllr June Lumley	Rochford District Council
Cllr Michael Hoy	Rochford District Council
Dave Smith	Burnham Week Ltd
Dean Border	Baltic Wharf Distribution
Cllr Brian Thomas Hazlewood	Hockley Parish Council
Fr Mark North	Burnham Town Council
Glen Dryhurst	Ashingdon Parish Council
Lynne Van Houten	Canewdon Parish Council
Keith Powell	Dengie Enterprise Support
Caroline Sarychkin	Burnham-on-Crouch Carnival Committee
Paula Chapman	Rochford District Council
Anglene Crowley	Maldon District Council

#### Apologies:

Chris Tyas  
Cllr Wendy Stamp  
Beverly Davis  
Cllr George Ioannou

#### 1. Welcome & Introductions

- The Chairman welcomed members of the River Crouch CCT to the Annual General Meeting.

#### 2. Chair's Report and Economic Plan

- Chair Dean Border (DB) read through the Crouch Coastal Community Team Annual Review for 2018.
- It was noted that the lower crouch crossing ferry project has been split into 4 elements, each being pursued separately. It is worth noting that Mark Philips has taken over the running of the ferry service from Burnham to Wallasea and that it is operating this year. The mid crouch crossing ferry project has stalled due to funding issues.
- DB made special mention of the work put in by Doug MacEwan who has resigned as Vice Chair and would like to thank him on behalf of the Team. The Chair thanked the team for all their hard work over the year.

### 3. Election of River Crouch CCT Management Team – appointed for 2018/2019 as follows:

- **Four (4) Maldon District Council elected Members (Chair and Vice Chair of the Planning of the Licensing Committee, and the Chair & Vice Chair of the Community Services Committee):**

Cllr Penny Channer  
Cllr Andrew St Joseph  
Cllr Ron Pratt  
Cllr Brenda Harker

- **One (1) elected Member from Rochford District Council:**

Cllr June Lumley (Substitute Cllr George Ioannou)

- **One (1) elected Member from Chelmsford City Council:**

Cllr Bob Massey

- **Three (3) members from the business community (Private Sector):**

Nominations were received for Dean Border, Keith Powell and Wendy Stamp. AC was asked to clarify the position of Cllr Wendy Stamp. It was agreed by the meeting that the nominations be endorsed.

- **One (1) member from the Voluntary Sector:**

A nomination was received for Father Mark North. It was agreed by the meeting that the nomination be endorsed.

- **One (1) member from the Heritage Sector:**

A nomination was received for Glen Dryhurst. It was agreed by the meeting that the nomination be endorsed.

- **One (1) member from the Environmental sector:**

It was agreed by the meeting that Chris Tyas RSPB continue in the environmental sector role.

- **Two (2) members from Sailing Clubs (which have their headquarters within the Districts of Maldon, Rochford or Chelmsford).**

Nominations were received for Dave Smith. It was agreed by the meeting that the nomination be endorsed. One vacant sailing club representative.

**One position VACANT**

- DH asked why there were 4 MDC Councillors? PC confirmed that it was because MDC is the accountable body

### 4. Vote for Chair and Vice Chair 2018/2019

DB handed over to AC to carry out the vote.

#### Chair

AC informed the group that 5 nominations had been received for Dean Border to remain as Chair, a further vote had been made for Glen Dryhurst. Each in turn informed the group as to why they considered they ought to be voted in. The Group then unanimously voted for Dean Border to remain as Chair.

## Vice Chair

Nominations were received for Doug MacEwan, however, DB informed the group that Doug confirmed that he will not be standing. Cllr June Lumley also received nominations. She outlined why she ought to be considered and the group voted unanimously to appoint Cllr June Lumley as Vice Chair.

## 5. Project Ideas

- AC informed the group that all suggestions welcome.
- MH said that consultation could take place at the Hullbridge Up River Club Regatta Day – MH to inform AC or PC of the date.
- The team felt that a calendar of events that could be used for consultation and promotion would be useful to spread the word of the CCT. CS suggested the Burnham Carnival in September and the Christmas event. Quay Day could also be useful for promotion  
**ACTION: please let AC/PC/Cheryl Milton-White know of any events where CCT promotion would be useful.**
- MH offered assistance with litter picks.

## 6. Wallasea Island Update

- In the absence of Chris Tyas from RSPB, Paula Chapman from Rochford ran through the RSPB presentation. Please see RSPB statement attached.

## 7. Any Other Business

- GD outlined the gap in the coastal path between two recognised routes within the Coastal Path plan. The gap is between Sea Wall Lime Wharf to Brandy Hole Marshes. MH added that there was considerable erosion to the footpaths at Route 9. PC told the group that all routes need to be accessible by 2020, they can divert away from the coast and back. KA added that there is a bird sanctuary near to Brandy Hole which may cause a conflict of interest between walkers and bird watchers. The team agreed to have a sub group meeting to address the coastal path gap. AC to draft a letter for DB to sign requesting from Essex County Council and Maldon District Council how the gap can be awarded Right of Way.  
**ACTION: AC/DB**
- MH raised the £100k S106 monies that have been allocated for the Hullbridge Path. PC to bring the final decision with drawings back to the group.

## 8. Date of the next CCT meeting – Tuesday 11 September 10.30-12.30, Burnham Council Chambers, Chapel Road, Burnham on Crouch CM0 8JA