

Minutes of Bradenham Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17th August 2021 in the Village Hall

Mr C Allhusen, Mr J Reading, Mr S Welton, Mrs L Baxter, Ms T Frost, Ms K Findlay and Paul Jarvis together with the Clerk Mrs D Ruppert and Tim Birt (District Councillor), Helen Crane (District Councillor) and Ed Connolly (County Councillor) with 5 residents.

APOLOGIES – None

The minutes of the last meeting were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interest in any of the following items on the agenda. Dispensation is granted to all Parish Councillors in order to discuss the Precept and other financial matters. - Julian Reading declared an interest in one of the planning applications

PUBLIC SESSION

Ed Connolly – It's nice to see everyone.

The trod footpath is still ongoing. Kay Gordon emailed and Breckland Council's Enforcement Manager has today emailed Clayland requesting their intentions regarding the signing of the S278 and completion of the trod footpath.

I understand the speed gates are progressing and should be fitted soon.

I am happy to help fully fund the trees for the Queen's Jubilee. If the information could be sent to me then I will sort out the donation money from my members allowance.

Helen Crane - A new community pocket park is set to be developed in Wrights Walk in Dereham public meeting space, as a community garden.

Green garden funding is available for communities and PC.

Bins have not been collected in certain villages on usual days. Now the collectors are back on track and if your bin is not emptied on the date please leave it out and it will be emptied.

Looking to employ 250 Metal Health Champions.

Several people have been caught fly tipping.

The trod footpath for Hale Road is now in the hands of enforcement. Resident asked when the enforcement was issued but this is not known.

Tim Birt – The Green community grants are available and the deadline is 12th September, this maybe something the PC could apply for.

I am still trying to get further transparency. The Green Britain Centre is now sold and still we do not know how much it's been sold for.

Swanton Morley have appointed a solicitor to look into planning applications that have recently been approved.

C Allhusen thanked all the Councillors for their hard work over the years.

Open Session

Mrs Wells advised that again the pavement on School Road is very slippery due to algae, moss and debris. The debris is mainly coming off the land next to the pavement.

They also mentioned the parking near Nelson Close and that the cars are being parked up the slope which is very dangerous. The Clerk will write to Mr & Mrs Tufts who own the lane near School Road. Clerk will also write to highway about both issues

MATTERS ARISING

Village Green Bylaws - Paperwork still with local government

Clayland Homes Road Widening/Footpath - See Comments above

Highways - The footpath on Church Street has still not been repaired. The Clerk has written to Highway and they have replied stating it could take a few weeks to look into this. The Highway Rangers were asked to cut back the Ford because this is blocking drivers from seeing on coming traffic. Email received from Tom Cox (Highway Technician) advising that 300 metres of strimming had been programmed. Clerk will find out if this includes the Ford.

Speed Gates – Email received stating that one of the gates will have to be located in a different position and a new post and roundels will be needed at a cost of approx £300. The PC all agreed to this.

Speed Bin Signs - £236.75 worth have been sold. No new sales since last meeting

Bench for New Lane – Bench has been purchased and we have now asked Wil (TTSR) to fit at a cost of £150. Clerk will also ask Wil to refit the plaques that are on the present bench.

Table Tennis – This is now working out far too expensive. Other items will be looked at. The Clerk will look into the price of a picnic table which could be outside the fenced play area.

Dog Bin for St Andrews- This is now installed and the Clerk fitted signs that say the bin can be used for dog poo and litter.

Parking/Entrance to Village Hall – The entrance is blocked on occasions and this causes residents who use the village hall to drive over the grass. Also cars are parked in the parking area that are not using the village hall. The Clerk will write to Mr & Mrs Salter regarding their vehicles.

Hedge on Church Street – The private hedge will be cut back in the autumn.

CORRESPONDENCE

Zurich Ins Play Area Inspection report – 8 Defects were reported. C.Allhusen has looked into this and all the defects will be dealt with the exception of putting impact absorbing safety surface under the large climbing frame. All the play equipment will be repainted this year.

Audit – The Clerk filed the exemption on 25th May and an email confirmation was received. NALC subsequently asked why we had not filed out exemption on time and now we would be fined. After proving we had actually filed on time. Their excuse was that the auditors are working from home and things can get missed. The Clerk believes that this has happened to several parishes. The PC said this was awful behaviour by a professional business

Cricket Club – Email received asking if an 18” high fence could be erected along the bank of the stream to stop the cricket balls being lost in the undergrowth and the stream. The PC agreed that this would not be acceptable but a temporary one with rabbit netting may be acceptable. The Clerk will also ask TTSR to trim that area more regularly over the cricket season.

Trees for Queens Jubilee – J. Reading - 3 trees have been considered, Lime, Beech and Hornbeam. Tree positions 4 metres from road/boundary. Cost approx. £300-£500 per trees, we will need tree guards. Ed Connolly offered to fully fund the project via his members allowance. The trees, once planted will need watering regularly and P.Jarvis has offered to help. I would also like to thank Diana MacMullan for all her help.

It was also discussed that we could have a special unveiling on Friday 3rd June at the Fete. Ed Connolly was asked if he would attend and also maybe the older residents of the villagers could participate.

Fence – 14 Hale Road – The owner of the property Mr George Glaze (who does not live in the village) has now fixed the fence.

New Chairs for Village Hall – C.Allhusen thanked the PC for contributing to the new chairs. The old chairs have been advertised in the Mardle and will be again. The chairs are free but a donation of £1 per chair is recommended

Memorial Token – This is offered to all Norfolk parishes honouring the community efforts made in the pandemic year. The PC all agreed that this was a waste of money and do not wish to receive the token.

PLANNING

APPLICATION :- Variation of condition 2 on 3PL/2017/0908/F - additional gable window & two velux rooflight and 1st floor storage area added – West End- Mrs Raven **OBJECTION**

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APPROVAL :- Two Storey Infill Extension to Rear – 4 Hale Road by Mrs S Lovett **No Objection**

Proposed Two Storey & Single Storey Extension to Rear (Amended) 2 Hales Road by Mr & Mrs T Pepper – **No Objection**

FINANCE:-

Opening Balance **£13702.70**

Nationwide - £ 13702.70 **Lloyd - £0.00**
TTSR payment in last minutes paid via Lloyds
£1093.97

Nationwide Account - £14796.67 (£13702.70 + £1093.97)

Expenditure		Income	
Clerk Wages	149.80	interest	3.28
PAYE	37.40		
Transferred to Lloyds	6000.00		
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	£14187.20		£ 3.28

Balance at Nationwide £ 612.75

Lloyds Account - £14000.00 (6000+8000)

Expenditure		Income	
Brit Manufacturing – Bench	414.00	Village Hall – Donation	£1699.69
Wickstead- Paint	544.24		
TTSR Ltd- Grass cutting	1093.97		
Gopak - Chairs	2039.63		
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	£ 4091.84		£1699.69

Balance £ 11607.85
TTSR -£ 1093.97 which was shown on the last minutes

£ 10513.88

Balance at Lloyds £ 10513.88

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The pit also known as the 'old surveyor land' Hale Road. The new stewardship scheme for landowner may open up to others. This could help us revive this area into maybe a community place. This is something we can look into further.

Due to the Jubilee year the Bank Holidays have changed and the Fete in 2022 will be held on Friday 4th June.

NEXT MEETING Tuesday 16th November 2021

MEETING ENDED: 9.00pm