

MINUTES BRADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL **TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2017**

Minutes of Bradenham Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21st February 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Mr Chris Allhusen, Mr Paul Jarvis, Ms Martine Brigstock, Mr Julian Reading, Mr Steve Welton, Mr David Bonn and Mr Denis West. Together with Theresa Hewett (Candidate for County Councillor Election) and 7 residents.

Apologies were received from Cliff Jordan – County Councillor

DECLARATION OF INTEREST - Steve Welton confirmed that he would not commenting on Mr Deeming planning application as he is his neighbour. A dispensation was granted to all Parish Councillors in order to discuss the Precept and other financial matters.

PUBLIC SESSION

DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTION - Due to Charles Carters recent resignation, an election will be held on Thursday 16th March 2017. Theresa Hewett will be standing along with other candidates.

Theresa Hewett introduced herself at the meeting and advise the PC and residents that she had been District Councillor for the parish from 2003 to 2011, and is hoping that she will be elected again.

VILLAGE GREEN - Unknown drivers have been doing wheelies over the green, unless we can take registration numbers, the police cannot help.

MILL HILL - A resident complained that other residents are climbing the pavement and parking on the grassed area. The PC stated that this area belongs to highways. The Clerk will speak to a resident that lives nearby and find out more information.

DOG BIN - Mr Clements from Hale Road asked if the Parish could agree to placing a dog bin near the football ground. A number of people park there and then walk their dogs so it would be used. The PC agreed to look into this and also installing one at Southend.

Clayland Homes - Hopefully the widening of the road plus the erection of speed active signs will be carried out soon. Sue Smith from the Lord Nelson may have further information but was unable to attend the meeting.

Flooding on Church Street - Paul Jarvis reported that Steve Manney from Anglian Water has arranged for man-hole covers to be replaced with a sealed cover to reduce surface water ingress into the foul system. Highways will be jetting the gullies and this has been programmed for this year. There was no news regarding residents meeting with the owner of the land behind their homes to discuss the water come off the fields. That is something they do need to do. Resident our also dumping rubbish which does also cause problems. Wil Smith will be clearing the rubble at the pound.

MATTERS ARISING

5 Mill Hill - No more information. The application has been approved and requiring the applicate to erect a trellis to safeguard neighbour's privacy.

Clayland Homes - These had all been discussed under Public Session and there was no more to add.

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Play Area Gates - Wicksteed advise us that spare cannot be supplied for the gates due to the age. New gates would be a different size so we would have to replace the surrounding fence, this would be very expensive. Zurich Insurance inspect the gates yearly and have not asked us to alter the gates. It was decided to leave the gates at present.

Village Green Bylaws - Councillors feel that the current bylaws, which date back to 1966, should perhaps to up-dated to reflect a more modern approach to the Village Green. This will be a time consuming. PC agreed that they should be updated, C.Allhusen will send out a draft copy for comments.

Car Repairs on Church Street - C.Allhusen spoke to Mr Playford, but he is still continuing to repair cars and parking on the verge. He is disturbing his neighbours with the constance noise. The PC agreed that they should write to Mr Playford, Breckland Environmental Health and Highways to see if anything can be sorted.

St Mary's Church Path - D.Bond advised that Tufts have donated gravel FOC. On Saturday 25th February a group of volunteers will help to clear and re gravel the path. Please bring shovels and wheel barrels if possible.

Breckland Local Plan - J.Reading agreed to read the report. The only comments relating to Bradenham are the lifting of the village settlement boundary.

CORRESPONDENCE

ZURICH INSURANCE - The PC had already agreed to settle the invoice for the annual Insurance, which expires 10th February 2017. Total amount 1096.56, this includes the playground inspection.

Letters received from Norfolk Accident Rescue Service, The Norfolk and Norwich Association for the Blind and Norfolk Age UK requesting donations. PC agreed that at present the any spare funds should be given to the Village Hall Charity, towards the roof repairs.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Gritting Hale Road to Swaffham – At present this is never gritted. J.Reading has composed a letter on behalf of the PC to Cliff Jordan (County Councillor). This was emailed to C.Jordan and at present we have only received an acknowledgement.

PLANNING

APPLICATION:- Installation of a 50kw extension to an existing one by Mr D Hillier Leys Farm
NO OBJECTION

Erection of rear extension & removing outbuildings By Mr & Mrs O Deeming 18 Church St
NO OBJECTION

Changes to plans approved in 2014 by Mr Jack Brown 14 Mill Hill – **NO OBJECTION**

APPROVAL:- Demolition of existing agricultural building & erection of replacement By R W Hill Farms Manor Farm – **NO OBJECTION**

Alternation and extension by Mr Brett Butler 5 Mill Hill – **NO OBJECTION**

Approval of Reserved Matters:- Erection of 2 single storey dwellings and garages by Mr P Bush Land adjacent The Haven Daffy Green – **NO OBJECTION**

FINANCE:-

Opening Balance **£ 13440.57**

Income		Expenditure	
Interest	3.45	Clerk – Wages	156.60
		PAYE	30.60
		Zurich Insurance	769.38
		Playarea Inspection	327.18
		Julian Reading Refurbish notice board	31.24
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	£3.45		£1315.00

Balance £ 12129.02

It was confirmed that all cheques written out in the last quarter were agreed by the Parish Council.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Village Notice Board: The PC thanked Julian Reading for refurbishing the notice board, The PC only paid for Materials.

NEXT MEETING:- Monday 15th May 2017 - 7.30pm

Meeting Ended: 8.30pm