

## **MINUTES BRADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL** **MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018**

Minutes of Bradenham Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12<sup>TH</sup> November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Parish Council meeting was attended by Mr Chris Allhusen, Mr Paul Jarvis, Ms Martine Brigstock, Mr Steve Welton, Mr David Bohn, Mr Julian Reading and Mrs Les Baxter

Together with the Clerk Mrs Dee Ruppert, Mr Ed Connolly (County Councillor) and 14 residents.

Apologies were received from Mrs Theresa Hewett

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

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST** Mr Chris Allhusen declared an interest in the agenda. (The Future of Bradenham Permissive Footpaths)

A dispensation was granted to all Parish Councillors in order to discuss the Precept and other financial matters.

**Mrs Les Baxter** was welcomed as the new member of the Parish Council

### **PUBLIC SESSION**

Mrs Fields ask when the silt will be remove out of the ditch as promised at the last meeting. Chris Allhusen will get this done before the winter weather.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

**Defibrillator Course** – No further news at present

**Sam2 Flashing Signs** – Chris Allhusen advised that all grant applications have been submitted and we should hear by March 2019. We are putting up two and will get 50% of the cost from the Council.

**Footpaths re Clayland** – Jon Berry (Breckland) advised Chris Allhusen that they are hopeful that Clayland will sort this out before the matter escalates any further.

**Village Green Bylaws** – Still ongoing. New draft will be available soon to the Parish Councillors.

**The Future of Bradenham Permissive Footpaths** –The paperwork is ready to be signed and the cost will be less than we expected. Maps of the open footpaths will be included in the December Mardle.

**Lopping Trees on Village Green** – This has now been completed at a cost to the PC of £600.00. Dieback has affected the ash trees on the green but at present they do not need to be removed.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

**Speeding on Church St/Hale Road** –Trevor Nelson advised the PC that seven volunteers have now been given clearance by police to assist with speedwatch. All equipment is provided and as agreed at the last meeting the Village Hall can be used free of charge for training. I have also re-emailed PC Paula Gilluley to request further speed checks in Bradenham as promised. Chris Allhusen thanked Trevor Nelson on behalf of the Parish.

**Community Christmas Lunch** – Letter received from Lynda Turner regarding the Community Christmas Lunch organised by Bradenham and Shipdham. Les Baxter advised that at present we have been inundated with offers of help but not many have shown an interest in attending. The PC are more than happy to help, if it goes ahead.

**Citizens Advice** – Letter recieved from them and an email from ns4x4response asking for donations. The PC did not feel at present they could support either of these charities.

**Cost of Next Years Election** - Parish elections are scheduled to take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2019. The cost of the parish election is to be a shared cost on an equitable basis where the elections are held on the same day as District Council Election. It is estimated between £704 to £1250 depending if the cost is shared with the District Council election. Uncontested Elections will be charged at a flat rate of £75 to cover administration costs.

**Precept** – This was discussed and the PC decided to keep it the same as last year £8000.

**Vattenfall & Boreas Off Shore Wind Farm** – Boreas intends to develop and construct an offshore wind farm located approx. 73km from the coast of Norfolk and the cables would be linked to the substation near Necton. This is the second off shore wind farm that is being developed by Vattenfall (Vanguard). For more Information go to the Vattenfall/Boreas website.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Lord Nelson & Community Pub** – Sue Smith advised that the community group have decided not to go ahead with running the pub. She reported that the pub is now officially closed. A piece was inserted in the Mardle asking residents if they wish to retain a village pub. At present no response apart from a few on the community hub. The PC is considering The Assets of Community Value and Community Right to bid but this needs to be looked into further.

**PLANNING**

**APPLICATION:-** Construction of Detached Timber Garage by Mr & Mrs Orme-Waterworks House Bradenham Lane - **NO OBJECTION**

Construction of a Water booster pumping station and metering kiosk  
Anglian Water Services Bradenham Lane – **NO OBJECTION**

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**APPEAL:-** Construction of new storage barn- West End Bradenham – Ms L Raven  
**Granted planning permission for the development subject to conditions to which they object. – OBJECTION – BRECKLAND APPROVED**

Breckland will forward all the representation already made regarding this application. PC felt that they did not need to repeat the objection. Ms L Raven appealed against conditions 3,4 and 5 and one of the condition that is being objected to is that the storage barn cannot change usage.

**FINANCE:-**

Opening Balance      **£ 9255.27**

<b>Income</b>		<b>Expenditure</b>	
Interest	2.50	NALC Membership	162.13
Precept	4000.00	Breckland Uncontested Election	75.00
Grant	103.00	T T RS Grass Cutting	1072.62
		PKF Littlejohn – Audit	240.00
		Tress Pruning on Green	600.00
		Clerks Wages	187.20
		PAYE	8.40
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	£4105.55		£2345.35

**Balance      £ 11015.47**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT PROJECTION FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2019**

Balance carried forward from last year      **£6409.72**

<b>RECEIPTS</b>		<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
Precept	8000.00	PKF-Audit Fee	200.00
Precept Grant	206.00	Village Hall-Rent	49.00
PCC Grass Cutting Fee	850.00	T T S R-Grass Cutting	3575.40
Interest	9.81	Norfolk ALC	162.13
Cricket Club – Fees	350.00	Zurich Insurance	840.00
VAT Refund	3928.93	Playarea Inspection	284.00
		Clerk Wages	732.00
		PAYE	33.60
		Breckland Uncontested Election	75.00
		Sam2 Sign	3200.00
		Permissive Footpaths	2050.00
		Tree Work on Green	600.00
		VAT	1917.61
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	£ 19754.46		£ 13718.74

This will leave us an approximate balance at the end of March 2019 of **£ 6035.72**. Please note that in May 2019 we may need to pay Breckland £1020 due to election. Also the Precept Grant is being phased out.

All rents and wages were reviewed and the PC decided to keep them at the same rate for another year.

We are allowed to donate £ 7.86 per resident (593) per year £4660.98.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS - None**

**NEXT MEETING**      **TBA** – The Chairman is away most of February 2019, so the next meeting date will be decided after his diary has been consulted.