MINUTES BRADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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 District Councillor Election) and 7 residents.

Apologies were received from Cliff Jordan - County Councillor

<u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> - Steve Welton confirmed that he would not comment on Mr Deeming's planning application because he is a neighbour. A dispensation was granted to all Parish Councillors 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. Mrs Theresa Hewett (the Conservative Candidate) attended the meeting and, at the invitation of the Chairman, introduced herself briefly to residents. She had been District Councillor previously for Bradenham between 2003 – 2011.

Village Green - Unknown persons have been performing wheelies over the green, unless we can take registration numbers, the police cannot help.

Mill Hill - A resident complained that other residents are mounting 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 would agree to placing a dog bin near the football ground. Many drivers park there and then walk their dogs so it would be useful. The PC agreed to consider this and installing one at Southend.

Clayland Homes - Hopefully the widening of the road plus the erection of speed active signs will be carried out soon.

MATTERS ARISING

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

Clavland Homes - This has been discussed under Public Session and there was no more to add.

Flooding on Church Street - Paul Jarvis reported that Steve Manney from Anglian Water has arranged for a manhole cover to be replaced with a sealed model to reduce surface water ingressing into the foul system. Highways will be jetting the gullies and has been programmed for this year. There was no news regarding residents meeting with the owner of the land behind their homes, about water coming off the fields. That is something they need to do. Residents are also dumping rubbish which also causes problems. Wil Smith will be clearing the rubble at the pound.

Play Area Gates - Wicksteed advise us that spares cannot be supplied for the gates due to their age. New gates would not be the correct 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 them at present.

Village Green Bylaws - Councillors feel that the current bylaws, which date back to 1966, should perhaps to updated 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 continuing to repair cars and parking on the verge. He is disturbing his neighbours with the constant 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. We will then be subject to the new Policy PD05B, which the PC need to read.

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

Alteration and extension by Mr Brett Butler 5 Mill Hill - NO OBJECTION

Approval of Erection of 2 single storey dwellings and garages by Mr P Bush Land adjacent The Haven

Reserved Matters: - 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
	£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.

J.Reading -Lord Nelson enforcement notice expired 11th September 2016. Removal of various building/extension have not been completed. C.Allhusen will speak to Breckland. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

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

Meeting Ended: 8.30pm