



BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Brushford Parish Council held at the Parish Hall, Brushford on Tuesday, July 9th., 2019

19/033 PRESENT

The following attended the meeting:

Parish Councillors: Councillors Mrs F Takel, Mr, H Albery, Mrs J Sandiford, Mrs S Cookson, Mr D Garth

County & District Councillors in Attendance : Councillors Mr. N Thwaites and Mrs F Nicholson

In the Chair: Councillor Mr N Prouse

In Attendance: Mr. C Knight, Clerk .

Members of the Public : 3

19/034 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

19/035 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Takel declared an interest in the payment of parish maintenance work and took no part in the payment authorisation decision.

19/036 DEFERMENT OF BUSINESS**19/036/01 Planning Application 3/04/19/003 - Planning Committee Decision**

Mrs Jan Aldridge, the owner of the subject property addressed the council to express her concern that her planning application was to go to the SW&TC Planning Committee in Taunton, despite the fact that it had been approved by the parish council. The Planning Case Officer had refused the application.

The meeting fully discussed the issues related to the application and the Planning Officer's reasons for refusal and it was agreed that the parish council would appear at the meeting in support of Mrs Aldridge's objections to the refusal. It was further agreed that the clerk would represent the parish council at the Committee Meeting on Thursday, July 11th.

19/036/02 Mrs Barbara Wilson

Mrs Wilson spoke to thank the parish council for the grant made to the Parish Hall and also for the parish council's support for the Great Get Together outing in June, which had been appreciated by all who attended.

19/036/03 Mr Terry Wilson

Mr Wilson reiterated earlier concerns that the exit road from the proposed new development in Ellersdown Lane should prohibit traffic exiting the development turning left into Ellersdown Lane.

After discussion which revealed that there appears to be little sound information on the status of the development or knowledge of when the development might commence, it was agreed that the landowner, Mr Barry Summers would be invited to the next council meeting in order to clarify the situation.

19/037 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on June 11th. were approved as a true record, and duly signed by the Chairman.

19/038 FINANCIAL REPORT**19/038/01 Payment Authorisation**

The following due payments were approved and the relevant cheques signed:

PAYEE	INVOICE NO.	EXPENSE	NET	VAT	GROSS	CHEQUE NUMBER
Amherst & Shapland		Staff Wages	£412.23		£412.23	
		Amherst & Shapland monthly fee	£12.50	£2.50	£15.00	
		Staff Wages and Administration	£424.73	£2.50	£427.23	NATWEST 000546
Mr P Takel		2 x grass cut @ £70, 2 x strimming @ £10, path clearance (Orchard Cott/Sulleys) @ £60	£220.00		£220.00	NATWEST 000547
Parish Hall CIO		Grant for the Car Park Restoration project	£500.00		£500.00	NATWEST 000548
Mr T Wilson		Great Get Together expenses (Cream tea £55.90 Bus £40.50)	£96.40		£96.40	NATWEST 000549
C Knight		Expenses Nov - May - reissue	£218.36	£23.49	£241.85	NATWEST 000550
TOTAL			£1,459.49	£25.99	£1,485.48	

19/039 HIGHWAYS

19/039/01 SCC Winter Salting Arrangements

Councillor Nicholson advised the council as follows:

- It was confirmed that county would fund all the (normal) salting arrangements and that the parish council would not be required to fund the salt dumpy bags and sandbags programme as previously considered, and budgeted for.
- The 11 dumpy bag sites have been surveyed and all will take a grit bin. The council is to consider the costs involved in buying bins direct and also to consider costs of bins through SCC. The bins will be funded by the savings made in not having to fund dumpy bags.

19/040 PARISH WELFARE

19/040/01 Village Centre Project

Estimates are still awaited for the clearance of the site. Councillor Prouse to follow up.

19/040/02 Airband Project

At an earlier meeting with Airband, it was ascertained that FTP (Fibre-To-the-Premises) in the west of the parish could be achieved via telegraph poles, rather than gullies in the roadway. Potential customers expressed their acceptance that this project may take several months to complete, but in the meantime, Airband is to follow up with more concrete proposals.

19/040/03 Housing Needs Survey

Councillor Garth confirmed that, disappointingly, the report has still to be received.

It was agreed that Jane Birch of SCCC would be invited to the September council meeting, with the report being available a fortnight prior to the meeting.

19/041 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications to consider. However, the meeting discussed the decision then by the SW&TC Planning Department to withhold sending hard copies of applications. Councillor Thwaites reported that there had been no change to the situation and it was agreed that should any individual application require hard copies, then the clerk would request these from Planning.

19/042 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

It was agreed that the council would consider Emergency Resilience Planning at the next meeting.

19/043 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

There were no reports from councillors.

19/044 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The meeting agreed that the next parish council meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 13th at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall.

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N Prouse, Chairman

13/08/19