



BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Brushford Parish Council held at the Parish Hall, Brushford on Tuesday, May 8th., 2017

18/030 PRESENT

The following attended the meeting:

Parish Councillors: Mrs S Cookson, Mr T Wilson, Mrs F Takel, Mr H Albergy, Mr D Garth, Mrs J Sandiford

County & District Councillors in Attendance : Mr N Thwaites, Mrs F Nicholas

In the Chair: Mr N Prouse

In Attendance: Mr. C Knight, Clerk .

Members of the Public : 0

18/031 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Heywood.

18/032 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

18/033 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on May 8th. were approved as a true record, and duly signed by the Chairman.

18/034 DEFERMENT OF BUSINESS

Councillor Wilson reported that arrangements are now confirmed for the Great Get Together to take place on Monday, June 25th., with a coach trip to Ilfracombe.

18/035 FINANCIAL REPORT**18/035/01 Payment Authorisation**

The following due payments were approved and relevant cheques signed:

PAYEE	INVOICE NO.	EXPENSE	NET	VAT	GROSS	CHEQUE NUMBER
Malcolm Godfrey		Council website updates (Exmoor Web Design)	£60.00		£60.00	NATWEST 000493
Amherst & Shapland		Staff Wages	£364.94		£364.94	
		Amherst & Shapland monthly fee	£12.50	£2.50	£15.00	
		Staff Wages and Administration	£377.44	£2.50	£379.94	NATWEST 000494
Mr P Takel		Grass Cutting : 2 x £70	£140.00		£140.00	
		2 x Strimming @ £10.00	£20.00		£20.00	
		TOTAL	£160.00		£160.00	NATWEST 000495
C Knight		Expenses April - June	£121.77		£121.77	NATWEST 000496
TOTAL			£719.21	£2.50	£721.71	

18/036 PARISH MAINTENANCE

18/036/01 Jubilee Gardens Playcourt Refurbishment

Clerk reported that, to date, there had been no response from the grant funder to the council's application for funding. It was agreed that they should be contacted for further information.

18/036/02 Parish Pathways

Councillor Albery reported that he had commenced the survey of the parish pathways and that a report would be available when completed.

18/036/03 Dog Fouling

It was agreed that Councillor Takel would order the stencil and paint for the dog fouling road signage.

18/036/04 Grit Bins

A report had been received from a member of the public that children had been spotted playing in the grit bin near the parish hall. It was agreed that an item would be included in the forthcoming Brushford Parish Post alerting parents to the dangers of this practice.

18/037 PARISH WELFARE

18/037/01 Defibrillator Management

The meeting discussed the management options for the defibrillator in the light of an available service from the South `West Ambulance Service. It was agreed that there would be no demonstrable improvement/benefit in changing the current arrangements and therefore the current system would continue.

18/038 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

18/038/01 3/04/17/016 Demolition of garage at 1 Pound Close and erection of 13 No. dwellings with associated access, highway works and landscaping - Planning Committee Meeting 31st May 2018.

The meeting discussed the recent approval of this application by the West Somerset Planning Committee and noted the rationale for this approval as provided by Councillor Thwaites, which was as follows:

In the case of Ellersdown Lane, Brushford an application was received by WSC on 23rd April 2015. It was subsequently refused by the Planning Committee (PC) for two reasons **all the others** put forward were dismissed.

In March 2016 an appeal was submitted to the Planning Inspector (PI) and rejected. However the Planning Inspector **only upheld one** of the original objections the other was dismissed.

A revised application the was submitted in 29th Nov 2017 addressing the outstanding one objection.
Note: all other previous objections had already been rejected by the PI in the March 2016 appeal.

Following the modifications, and being no new objections had been raised (the PI hadn't all ready dismissed) WSC officers recommended the passing of the application.

As consequence the Planning Committee (PC) had no planning reasons to refuse the granting of permission hence the application was passed.

It was agreed that the parish council would request SCC Highways to keep the council informed of developments in regard to highways matters, including rights of way and possible one way traffic on Ellersdown Lane.

18/038/02 3/04/17/008 Western Power Switchroom building - Planning Committee Meeting 31st May 2018.

The meeting noted that this application had been approved by the Planning Committee.

18/038/03 3/04/17/010 Erection of 2 No. dwellings with associated works Land adjacent to 2 Orchard Cottage, Ellersdown Lane Brushford, Dulverton, TA22 9AR- Approval

The meeting noted that this application has now been approved.

18/039 TOP FIVE PRIORITIES

The meeting discussed the Top Five Parish Priorities, which currently are as follows:

- Jubilee Gardens Play Court Refurbishment
- Tarmac of the Parish Hall driveway
- New Village Centre Garden and Focal Point
- New Public Bus Shelter for north-bound users
- Stairs and balustrade for Parish Hall mezzanine floor.

It was agreed that these should be reviewed in the light of the current work in Jubilee Gardens and the Hall's recent planning application. It was also agreed that the list should be subject to public participation.

18/040 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday, July 10th at 6.30pm in the parish Hall.

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N Prouse, Chairman

10/07/18