

# **BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BRUSHFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH HALL, BRUSHFORD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH., 2020

## 19/131 PRESENT

The following attended the meeting:

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

County & District Councillors: Mrs F Nicholson

In the Chair: Mr N Prouse

In Attendance: C Knight, Clerk

Members of the Public:

## 19/132 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor N Thwaites.

## 19/133 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## 19/134 DEFERMENT OF BUSINESS

## 19/134/01 Mr Colin Kane

Mr Kane, a resident of a Magna property in Brushford, attended the meeting to complain of random parking which prevents him from accessing his trailer tent which is kept in his garden.

The chair pointed out that it would be impossible to instigate the installation of double yellow lines outside his property, which would lead to other residents claiming the same benefit.

However, after discussion, it was agreed that the council would request Magna Housing to install a dropped curb.

## 19/135 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on February 10th. were approved as a true record, and duly signed by the Chair.

## 19/136 MATTERS ARISING

## 19/136/01 Broadband

It was agreed that, at the present time, there is no benefit to be gained from taking up the matter of slow broadband with the district's MP, Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger.

# 19/136/02 Gritting the Parish Hall Car Park

It was agreed that this would be carried out in line with the gritting of village roads in the event of bad weather.

## 19/137 FINANCIAL REPORT

# 19/137/01 Payment Authorisation

The following due payments were approved. and cheques signed:

PAYEE	INVOI CE 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	
		Total Staff Wages and Administration	£424.73	£2.50	£427.23	NATWEST 000579
Brushford Parish Hall CIO		Meeting room costs April '20 - March '21	£180.50		£180.50	NATWEST 000580
Parish Online		One year's subscription (incl 10% discount)	£67.50	£13.50	£81.00	NATWEST 000581
C Knight		Expenses Oct 2019 - February 2020	£125.13	£6.55	£131.68	NATWEST 000582
St Johns Ambulance Supplies		Defibrillator and Cabinet for Exebridge	£1,380.00	£276.00	£1,656.00	NATWEST 000583
TOTAL			£2,177.86	£298.55	£2,476.41	

## 19/138 PARISH WELFARE

# 19/138/01 Phone Box Adoption

Clerk reported that BT had been chased up, but progress is apparently dependent upon the disconnection of power and removal of the phone. The matter will be followed up as necessary.

# 19/138/02 Exebridge Defibrillator

Clerk reported that the Anchor Inn management have agreed to the installation of the new defibrillator in the porch at the front entrance to the pub, to ensure that it would be available 24/7.

The order will be placed imminently, the cheque having been authorised (19/137/01 above)

## 19/139 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN

Councillor Albery updated the meeting on progress with the Flood Plan. He now requires the contact details of those homeowners who are in danger of flooding (primarily in Exebridge), which councillors were requested to provide.

## 19/140 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Councillor Garth updated the meeting of his recent attendance at a Neighbourhood Planning seminar with Stuart Todd Associates in Wellington.

From this, it is clear that the Neighbourhood Plan must tailor with the new Local Plan 2040 which is currently under development by Somerset West and Taunton Council - due for completion by the end of this year.

It was agreed that work on the Neighbourhood Plan should be worked up slowly in conjunction with the Local Plan. In this regard, Councillor Garth requested councillors to participate in the online consultation.

It was also agreed that Mr McDonald the Community Housing Adviser of Wessex Community Assets will be invited to the next parish council meeting.

#### 19/141 HOUSING NEEDS - SUPPLEMENTARY SURVEY

It was agreed that the supplementary survey should be included in the next issue of the Parish Post.

#### 19/142 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

#### 19/142/01 Plan Presentations

Councillor Garth requested that the projector in the Carnarvon Room be used for future planning considerations. Clerk is to approach the hall chairman to secure clearance.

## 19/142/02 Application Ref 3/04/20/001: 1 x New Dwelling on adjacent land to Panorama, Brushford

The meeting considered this application and approved it subject to action being taken by planning to ensure that a repeat of the sewage problem encountered following the development of the Carnarvon Arms apartments was not repeated.

## 19/142/03 Application Reference 3/04/20/003: 2 x new dwellings on Land adjacent to 2 Orchard Cottages, Ellersdown Lane, Brushford, TA22 9AR

This application was approved subject to particular attention to the soakaway proposed in the southwestern corner of the plot, which must ensure that no flooding damage to neighbouring properties occurs.

## 19/143 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

## 19/143/01 Councillor Mrs F Nicholson

Councillor Nicholson reported as follows:

## B3222 Closure

The proposed closure of this road has been postponed due to the discovery of underground asbestos piping under Health & Safety guidelines.. The work will now be carried out in the next financial year.

The meeting agreed to request (semi) permanent Flood signs on the corner of the road near the Western Power site as it continues to provide a traffic hazard. Clerk to action.

# **College Bus Service**

Councillor Nicholson reported that a bus direct from Dulverton to Taunton College will be available from the next term.

## 19/144 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

This will be held in the Carnarvon Room of the parish hall at 6.30pm on Tuesday, April 14th. 2020.

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N PROUSE, CHAIRMAN . 14/04/20