**Braunston Parish Council**  
Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011  
Minutes

**Present**  
In the Chair: Janet McCarthy  
Mesdames: Fitzhugh & Longworth  

**Apologies for absence:** Melancy Boniface, Pat Herlihy, Alan Mawar & John Potter.

| 11.10.01 | **Open forum for Members of the Public** | There were no members of the public present |
| 11.10.02 | **Declaration of Interest** | Planning – Janet McCarthy sits on the District Planning Committee and also declares a personal non prejudicial interest as a member of the Village Hall Committee.  
Louis Prat is chair of the Playing Field Committee  
Richard Hawkins is on the Village Hall committee |
| 11.10.03 | **Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (1<sup>st</sup> August 2011)** | It was proposed by Richard Hawkins, seconded by Sally Ann Longworth and carried that these be accepted. |
| 11.10.04 | **Matters Arising from the Minutes** | There were none not covered by the agenda. |
| 11.10.05 | **Finance Report** | The clerk presented the financial report, it was proposed by Paul Chamberlain, seconded by Pete Morgan.  
**Accounts for Payment**  
it was proposed by Paul Chamberlain, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that these amounts be paid.  
The clerk reported that the final audit had been returned with no issues.  
The clerk reminded the council that fully costed ideas for inclusions in next month’s budgets are required for the 7<sup>th</sup> November meeting. |
| 11.10.06 | **Boundary Changes** | The letter from the Boundary Commission was circulated with their new proposal for Braunston of a joint councillor for Braunston and Welton rather than the three member ward as proposed originally. Overall the number of councillors on DDC will still reduce to 36 but there will now be some three, two and single member wards.  
Janet reported that DDC were still contesting the changes as an expensive option to achieve very little and the Chris Heaton-Harris was hoping to try and change the bill through parliamentary process. |
| 11.10.07 | **Christmas Trees** | It was proposed by Paul Chamberlain, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that the budget for the Christmas trees be spent this year, the clerk also agreed to place an advert in the BVN to attract new households. |
| 11.10.08 | **Churchyard** | The clerk was asked to request that the entrance gateway to the churchyard was |
widened to enable easier access, if required Paul was happy to attend a site meeting.

It was also suggested that the cemetery hedge should be cut back further to the railings that mark the churchyard boundary.

11.10.09  
**Friends of All Saints Church**  
Following on from a written request, it was agreed that the councillors would take turns to attend the F.o.A.S.C. committee meetings. The clerk agreed to be the mailing point so that he could pass on the details to the relevant councillor.

11.10.11  
**Highways**  
The following issues were reported: -
- Church Road and Greenway
- Road gullies on Barby Road
- Pavers on High Street

The clerk agreed to report all of the above.

The clerk also agreed to talk to the BVGA with regard to the pruning of the triangle at The Green.

11.10.12  
**Jettyfields**  
The clerk reported that Pat had sent a draft grazing license that indicated that grazing would take place in Jettyfields from October to February.

11.10.13  
**Neighbourhood Watch & Police**  
NHW – It was proposed by Richard Hawkins, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that up to £300 be spent on new NHW signs.

Police – PC Thompson’s report was circulated prior to the meeting

11.10.14  
**Playing Fields**  
Louis reported that the grand switch on of the new floodlights would be happening on the next evening, it was suggested an article should be placed in the BVN highlighting the issue of nuisance calls relating to the new floodlights.

11.10.15  
**Local Storage**  
It was proposed by Louis Prat, seconded by Tina Fitzhugh and carried that £70 per month be used to rent a small office space in Braunston garage for storage and occasional office use.

11.10.16  
**Village Hall**  
It was reported that the village hall committee is still proceeding with a new floor in the main hall during the October half term following a generous donation by DDH and that a review of the windows was underway.

11.10.17  
**Village Maintenance**  
A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book

11.10.18  
**Items for Circulations**  
Have been distributed

11.10.19  
**Planning**  
**DA/2011/0732 Valley View 28, Welton Road, Braunston, Northamptonshire, NN11 7JJ**  
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