

Braunston Parish Council

Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on

Monday 5th October 2015

Minutes

Present

In the Chair: Pete Morgan

Mesdames: Ashford, Campbell, Harrison

Messrs: Biggs, Fitzhugh, Johnson, Longley (CC), Mawer, Newman, Patchesa & Prat

Apologies for absence: none

15.10.01	<i>Open forum for Members of the Public</i>
	<p>A presentation was given by John Adkins with regard to the Daventry Timebank and their project to resurrect the Braunston Timebank scheme.</p> <p>He outlined the challenges faced by time banks due to budget restraints but also saw this as an opportunity for time banks to flourish.</p> <p>Under current budget proposals the Timebank will be slimmed down to a membership of around 100 people, this will be managed by removing less active members.</p> <p>John finished by saying that they are looking for a new co-ordinator for the Braunston Timebank and any help in finding someone would be greatly appreciated</p> <p>John was asked to forward electronic copies of his information to the clerk, it was also agreed that the Timebank would be placed on the next agenda.</p> <p>A second presentation was given by Jack Peabody of Howkins and Harrison on behalf of Myton Hospice / Cynthia Spencer Hospice with regard to a potential scheme for affordable housing behind Mill Close and the Churchyard.</p> <p>The clerk outlined that the Parish Council could not make decisions that could potentially prejudice its position if an application is submitted.</p> <p>Many residents of Mill Close were present and asked questions of Mr Peabody. The Parish Council thanked Mr Peabody for his time.</p>
15.10.02	<i>Declaration of Interest</i>
	<p>Louis Prat is chair of the Playing Field Association and owns the shop where the community café is based.</p> <p>Sue Harrison owns land potentially part of the Braunston Trail</p> <p>Graham Newman is chair of the Village Hall committee and Abigail is a trustee of the village hall</p>
15.10.03	<i>County & District Councillors Report</i>
	<p>County</p> <p>Malcolm reported the empowerment fund may be limited in the very near future and urged applications to be submitted as soon as possible. The clerk agreed to submit an application on behalf of the village hall users groups.</p>

	<p>District</p> <p>Abigail reported the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first part of the Joint Core Strategy is complete but the rural aspect still needs to be completed, Abigail is sharing a post on this part of the strategy work with Councillor Lomax • Dog Control Orders have voted for and there operation is expected to start in the very near future. • Daventry District Housing owners Futures Housing Group is changing its constitution and therefore DDC councillors will no longer sit on a local board, DDH will now be run more centrally by the FHG with a local Insight committee. It was agreed that Pete Morgan would write to FHG with concerns over the lack of local representation at a decision making level. • The annual review of the Council Tax Reduction scheme has recommend no change from existing arrangements • Under the proposed Right to Buy for Housing Associations DDH has a potential 2000 house where the tenants may have the right to buy. • The yellow lines in Welton Road have been painted • Problems have been highlighted with regard parking on zig zags and yellow lines around the school, it is hoped that PC can assist. Malcolm was also asked if he could encourage the County Council to assist. • Following the recent announcement that Business Rates would be available for local use, Parish Councils are asking where they will fit in the process.
15.10.04	<i>Matters Arising from last minutes</i>
	<p>The Churchyard fence has now had the safety rail attached</p> <p>Louis Prat will progress the Street Party proposal</p> <p>Thanks were expressed for all those who helped at the council table at the Air Ambulance event.</p> <p>Alan Mawer had investigated moving bus shelters and has had an initial quote of circa £3k to move from A45 to the Green</p>
15.10.05	<i>Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (7th September 2015)</i>
	<p>It was proposed by Sandra Ashford, seconded by Peter Biggs and carried that the minutes be approved.</p>
15.10.06	<i>Finance Report</i>
	<p>The clerk presented the monthly accounts report; it was proposed by Graham Newman, seconded by Peter Biggs and carried that these be accepted.</p> <p><i>Accounts for Payment</i></p> <p>It was proposed by Graham Newman, seconded by Sandra Ashford and carried that these amounts be paid.</p>
15.10.07	<i>Best Village Competition</i>
	<p>Alan Mawer reported that two volunteers had come forward at the Air Ambulance day.</p>
15.10.08	<i>Braunston Trail</i>
	<p>Malcolm and Abigail reported the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The feasibility study attracted more pledges of funding than was

	<p>required so will be starting in the near future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £1m has been earmarked in the Community infrastructure levy scheme • Sustrans have undertaken a walk of the area and NCC will be appointing Sustrans to undertake the initial survey • A specialist will be employed to undertake the Ecology and Environmental Studies survey. Most likely start date will not be until the spring • There will be consultations with the land owners • It is anticipated that the feasibility study will be ready in the summer of 2016. • If the study is adopted it will then form part of the formal planning application process
15.10.09	Churchyard
	Nothing not already reported this month
15.10.10	Community Car
	<p>Abigail reported that the subcommittee had meet and made the following decisions: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They were going to expand the scope of journeys to include medical related journeys outside • At present the car is used 2-3 times a week <p>The scheme is also going to take a full page a full page advert in the BVN.</p> <p>Operationally there is a new rota in place but new volunteers are always welcome.</p> <p>Abigail Campbell asked whether the training certificates had arrived and Peter Biggs agreed to chase up, it was also agreed that Pete Morgan would send a letter of thanks to Gary Harwood.</p>
15.10.11	Community Speed Watch
	It was agreed that the Parish Council would partake in the scheme in 2016 and Peter Biggs agreed to co-ordinate again.
15.10.12	Event Planner
	There are no events before the next Parish Council meeting
15.10.13	Highways
	<p>The clerk agreed to check the traffic order with regard the yellow lines on Welton Road and follow up as required. He also agreed to enquire as to whether or not Spinney Hill would be added to the gritting route this winter as it is now a bus route.</p> <p>The clerk agreed to report the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether chevrons can be installed at bend on Barby Road • Trees over hanging Church Road from Church graveyard (PCC) • Trees overhanging Ashby Road from Village Hall • Hole in tarmac and verge outside 46 Ashby Road
15.10.14	Jettyfields
	Andrew Alsop submitted usual monthly report (copy attached)
15.10.15	Neighbourhood Planning
	Alan Mawer reported the consultation period had ended, at least 300

	<p>household had seen a copy of the plan and there had been 210 electronic downloads. To date there had been circa 30 responses and these are now being collated and actioned as to whether to be included or not, each response would have an explanation as to why it is or is not include in the final copy of the plan.</p> <p>It is hoped that the final submission version will be ready in December.</p> <p>DDC will start their consultation on the final plan in the New Year.</p>
15.10.16	<i>Playing Fields</i>
	<p>Louis Prat reported that he had a meeting with the FA and one of their recommendations was to have 2 youth pitches in the area nearest the gate with moveable goal posts so that the wear and tear on the area can be managed. Louis is also investigating the costs of aerating the area and the cost of employing a groundsman.</p> <p>He also reported that there had been a successful meet of the Northants Caravan and Camping Club and that the playing field car park would be open whilst the resurfacing of the village hall was being undertaken.</p>
15.10.17	<i>Skateboard Sub Committee</i>
	<p>Abigail reported the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The fundraising / advertising film is almost finished and that on the previous Saturday 20 young people had helped with the content of the film • Harry Pritchard and other young people continue to talk to Wheelscape to get a final design • Peter Andrews has volunteered to join the subcommittee.
15.10.18	<i>Village Hall</i>
	<p>Graham Newman reported the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The resurfacing work will start on the 12th October, the car park will be closed from the Sunday afternoon • The floodlights around the hall have been fixed • The management committee have agreed that the village hall should always carry a £9000 emergency reserve • A couple of the regularly hirers are no longer hiring the hall so there are vacancies and challenges over increasing revenue • The committee are also looking at requests to change the tables for a lighter weight version. Graham will come back with a formal proposal for the NCC empowerment grant referred to in the County Councillors report
15.10.19	<i>Village Maintenance</i>
	A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book
15.10.20	<i>Items for Circulation</i>
	There were none that had not been circulated electronically