

# Braunston Parish Council

Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2013  
Minutes

## Present

In the Chair: Sally Ann Longworth

Mesdames: Campbell, Smith

Messrs: Alsop, Biggs, Chamberlain, Fitzhugh, Mawer, Prat & Slatter (CC).

**Apologies for absence:** Richard Hawkins

13.12.01	<b><i>Open forum for Members of the Public</i></b>
	<p><b>Village Charities</b> Janet McCarthy reported to the Parish Council that the village charities had been run outside of its terms of reference with regard to nominated personnel. The charities deeds state that incumbent vicar should be the chair, with 4 persons nominated by the Parish Council plus 4 co-opted members.</p> <p>JMc asked that the PC nominate four members so that the committee could come back within in its terms of reference, the PC agreed to do so by its next meeting.</p> <p><b>High Street Trough</b> JMc also asked if someone else could now take this task over</p>
13.12.02	<b><i>Declaration of Interest</i></b>
	<p>Hannah Smith and Abigail Campbell sit on the village hall committee</p> <p>Louis Prat is chair of the Playing Field Association</p>
13.12.03	<b><i>County &amp; District Councillors Report</i></b>
	<p><b>District</b> Abigail reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Abigail is continuing to try and progress the Grit Bin at Archer Avenue</li><li>• There is a meeting tomorrow with regard the Bus Service with representatives from Stagecoach and other Parish Councils</li><li>• The Daventry Express are coming to write a feature on the buses that don't stop on Ashby Road and Spinney Hill</li><li>• Abigail has completed 2 more ward walkabouts and another speed check session</li><li>• DDC have set their financial medium term plan which includes significant capital expenditure but also highlights that DDC will not pass on central government grant for the housing benefit portion lost from the council tax</li></ul> <p><b>County</b> Steven gave his apologies for not attending previous meetings and read a report he had circulated earlier that day (copy attached)</p>
13.12.04	<b><i>Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (4<sup>th</sup> November 2013)</i></b>
	<p>The CCIL scheme should read CTA scheme and the BVN meeting was due in January, with these amendments it was proposed by Louis Prat, seconded by Paul Chamberlain and carried that these be accepted.</p>
13.12.05	<b><i>Matters Arising from the Minutes</i></b>
	<p>There were none not already covered</p>
13.12.06	<b><i>Finance Report</i></b>

	<p>The clerk presented the accounts; these were proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Sally Ann Longworth and carried that these be accepted.</p> <p><b>Accounts for Payment</b> It was proposed by Sally Ann Longworth, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that these amounts be paid.</p> <p><b>Budget</b> Following discussions it was proposed a significant effort had to be put into the skateboard project and therefore the Parish Council was going to allow up to £10000 of its funds to be used on a cash flow basis (will have to be replaced by grants, loan or fundraising) along with £5500 from the existing skateboard fundraising plus an additional grant from the NCC Empowering Councillors Fund. It was hoped this would kick-start the project and also realise the potential of seeking fundraising plus the possibility of a referendum within the village about raising funds via the Precept. This proposal was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Abigail Campbell and carried by all.</p> <p>The rest of the outline budget was agreed with a 2% increase in the 2014/15 precept; this was proposed by Abigail Campbell, seconded by Louis Prat and carried by all.</p>
13.12.08	<b>Braunston Trail</b>
	Abigail reported that she had further meetings with land owners and although some concerns had been raised there were no objections in principle. A meeting with the business manager and Cllr Over of DDC were very positive and Abigail is hoping that this project will be included in the future Community Infrastructure list. It is estimated that this will be £1m plus project
13.12.09	<b>Churchyard</b>
	The community payback team are coming back for a 3 <sup>rd</sup> day to continue with previous projects.
13.12.10	<b>Highways</b>
	<p>Spinney Hill – the state of the road has been highlighted by a parishioner being unable to travel in a car due to a recent operation and the uneven ride making the journey intolerable</p> <p>North Close – the Left Hand kerb has slipped</p> <p>The Old Plough – a complaint was raised with regard the entrance on to the High Street, it was agreed that the parishioner should discuss directly with the Pub</p>
13.12.11	<b>Jettyfields</b>
	Please see attached report, it was agreed a letter of thanks be sent to Matthew and Robert
13.12.12	<b>Neighbourhood Watch &amp; Police</b>
	<p>NHW – nothing new to report</p> <p>Police – The reports from PC Thompson were circulated</p>
13.12.13	<b>Neighbourhood Plans</b>
	Please see attached report, there will be a steering group meeting after Christmas
13.12.14	<b>Playing Fields</b>
	Louis reported that dates have been fixed for the 2014 fun days
13.12.15	<b>Street Lighting</b>
	It was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Alan Mawer and carried that £1050 plus VAT be spent on removing two street lights and using one to replace an absolute one in Greenway

13.12.16	<b>Village Hall</b>
	Nothing to report as no meeting
13.12.17	<b>Village Maintenance</b>
	A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book It was agreed that the Parish would purchase Dennis a waterproof jacket
13.12.18	<b>Items for Circulations</b>
	Have been distributed

Approved