

Braunston Parish Council

Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on
Monday 3rd March 2014
Minutes

Present

In the Chair: Sally Ann Longworth
Mesdames: Ashford, Campbell, Smith
Messrs: Alsop, Biggs, Chamberlain, Mawer & Morgan.

Apologies for absence: Mark Fizthugh, Richard Hawkins & Louis Prat

14.03.01	Open forum for Members of the Public Michelle and Lee (residents in Spinney Hill) attended to raise issues with the bus stop in Spinney Hill, concerns were raised with regard the safety of the placement as when reversing off the drive you are placing pedestrians at risk, numerous incidents have happened over the last months but one as recently as last week which involved a small child. Abigail agreed to take this forward with DDC/NCC/Stagecoach
14.03.02	Declaration of Interest Abigail Campbell sit on the village hall committee Louis Prat is chair of the Playing Field Association
14.03.03	County & District Councillors Report County Please see attached report District Abigail reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing numbers in the village are being affected by the "bedroom tax" • There has been an increase of 1.6% in members allowances although the labour group has voted not to take • DDC are to undertake a review of conservation areas • DDH are undertaking reviews of garage sites including the one in Braunston, there is not expected to be a lot of change • The new Rainsbrook Crematorium will be open in April • The sponsor for Middlemore Free School has pulled out and a new sponsor is required by July • Work on Monksmoor school continues • The Labour Group put forward a motion for all district council meetings to be filmed and streamed but this was defeated
14.03.04	Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (3rd February 2014) It was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Paul Chamberlain and carried that these be accepted.
14.03.05	Matters Arising from the Minutes There were none not already covered
14.03.06	Finance Report The clerk presented the accounts; these were proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Alan Mawar and carried that these be accepted. Accounts for Payment It was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Peter Biggs and carried that these amounts be paid. It was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Peter Biggs and carried that £390 is spent on the repairs to street lamps in Dark Lane

14.03.07	Annual Parish Meeting
	It was agreed that the meeting would be held on Saturday 17 th May between 10am and noon. There would be a formal opening by the chair with written reports and then a display by the Neighbourhood Plans whilst also having suggestion boards around the room on various themes.
14.03.08	Churchyard
	Abigail will have a look at whether or not there are any grants available for the church yard wall
14.03.09	Community Car
	The scheme now has 8 trustees and has charitable status; a request has been received as to whether or not the scheme can be a sub committee of the Parish Council. The clerk has contacted NCALC for advice and is awaiting a response. A decision was deferred until that advice had been received.
14.03.10	Highways
	Pot holes in the following locations Greenway, Mill Close, Church Road and North Close A45 gullies are still blocked The clerk agreed to report the above Complaints have been made re the repairs on Spinney Hill The vehicle on the A45 with "Police Aware" sticker is still there Abigail agreed to follow these up
14.03.11	Jettyfields
	Please see attached report It was proposed by Alan Mawer, seconded by Paul Chamberlain and carried that £1314 be spent on tree works for Jettyfields It was also reported that the CRT group had cleared the whole of the footpath up to Nibbets Land from Butchers Bridge, a vote of thanks was recorded
14.03.12	Neighbourhood Watch & Police
	NHW – nothing new to report Police – The reports from PC Thompson were circulated
14.03.13	Neighbourhood Plans
	Please see attached report Alan also reported that the business breakfast is likely to continue and that his meeting with TC was very productive. The monthly meeting for the steering group will be held on the 3 rd Mondays of the month
14.03.14	Playing Fields
	Louis was away but reported that Circus Ginett was due to be on the playing field as from Wednesday 5th until Sunday 9th. And that an application to DDC for a Community Grant for the skate park is proceeding.
14.03.15	Village Hall
	It was reported that the Community Car will be kept in the Village Hall car park and that the feasibility of a bar at the village hall was being looked into
14.03.16	Village Maintenance
	A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book
14.03.17	Items for Circulations
	Have been distributed
14.03.18	Braunston Trail
	Abigail reported the following: -

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christchurch College are no longer happy with the proposal • A positive response was received from the Neighbourhood Survey <p>That the Rights of Way officer is to reengaged with regard the footpath on the Old Station Yard site</p>
14.03.19	Broadband
	The issue of the upgrade of broadband was raised, it seems unclear from the information as to whether or not the whole village will be covered, it was agreed to monitor the website.
14.03.20	Visibility of Parish Council
	<p>It was agreed that each councillor would provide a photo to enable a contact sheet to be put on the notice board and to allow the web site to be updated.</p> <p>It was also agreed that each councillor would submit an article for the BVN in future months</p> <p>It was reported that the minutes on the website were running behind, the clerk agreed to check and update.</p>
14.03.21	BVN
	<p>It was agreed at the BVN meeting that the nominees of the chair of the Parish Council and the vicar would be available to adjudicate on any contentious articles on a go forward basis.</p> <p>There was also a suggestion put forward by the editors that some form of succession planning should be put in place and they would start this process in the near future.</p>