

# Braunston Parish Council

Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014  
Minutes

## Present

In the Chair: Sally Ann Longworth

Mesdames: Campbell, Smith

Messrs: Alsop, Biggs, Fitzhugh, Hawkins, Mawer, Morgan & Prat.

**Apologies for absence:** Paul Chamberlain

14.01.01	<b><i>Open forum for Members of the Public</i></b>
	No members of the public were present
14.01.02	<b><i>Declaration of Interest</i></b>
	Hannah Smith and Abigail Campbell sit on the village hall committee  Louis Prat is chair of the Playing Field Association
14.01.03	<b><i>County &amp; District Councillors Report</i></b>
	<b>District</b> Abigail reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DDC will receive 13.8% less central government grant and that the proposal is for a 2% increase in the DDC portion of the council tax.</li><li>• Abigail is on the scrutiny committee to review rural transport</li><li>• The bus service is now serving Ashby Road and Spinney Hill</li></ul>
14.01.04	<b><i>Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (6<sup>th</sup> December 2013)</i></b>
	The following amendments were made  Pete Morgan added to the attendance list and the changing of absolute to obsolete with regard the street lights, with these amendments it was proposed by Sally Ann Longworth, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that these be accepted.  The charity papers from Janet McCarthy were handed to Pete Morgan
14.01.05	<b><i>Matters Arising from the Minutes</i></b>
	There were none not already covered
14.01.06	<b><i>Finance Report</i></b>
	The clerk presented the accounts; these were proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Andrew Alsop and carried that these be accepted.  <b><i>Accounts for Payment</i></b> It was proposed by Andrew Alsop, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that these amounts be paid.
14.01.07	<b><i>Braunston Trail</i></b>
	Abigail reported that the Canal River Trust have submitted a bid approx. £150k to SEMLEP to improve the towpath between the A45 and the Admiral Nelson, there would also be match funding from the CRT.
14.01.08	<b><i>Bus Shelters</i></b>
	Abigail, Steve Slatter and Peter B meet with NCC and Stagecoach to discuss the positioning and safety of the bus stops. An action plan was agreed and will be implemented. This included road markings for each bus stop.

	<p>Following discussions it was agreed by the Parish Council that it should try and use the redundant bus shelters in the village at the different locations, it was agreed that NCC should be asked to carry out the consultation as part of the general consultation with regard the buses that they are proposing.</p> <p>As part of this discussion it was agreed that NP subcommittee for Transport should review parking as part of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
14.01.09	<b>Churchyard</b>
	Nothing new to report
14.01.10	<b>New Councillors</b>
	As there was two volunteers it was agreed that there would be an interview process as per previous occasions. The clerk to organise. It was agreed that the interview committee of Sally Ann Longworth, Richard Hawkins, Pete Morgan and the clerk in attendance would have the power to appoint the most suitable candidate
14.01.11	<b>Grit Bin</b>
	It was proposed by Abigail Campbell, seconded by Pete Morgan and carried that up to £300 be spent on a Grit Bin for the top of Bunion's Lane.
14.01.12	<b>Highways</b>
	<p>North Close – the refuse lorries are ploughing up North and South Close, Abigail agreed to take pictures</p> <p>Dark Lane – there is a street lamp missing</p> <p>Greenway – Pot Holes</p> <p>A45 – chevron sign rusted through</p>
14.01.13	<b>Jettyfields</b>
	Please see attached report
14.01.14	<b>Neighbourhood Watch &amp; Police</b>
	<p>NHW – nothing new to report</p> <p>Police – The reports from PC Thompson were circulated</p>
14.01.15	<b>Neighbourhood Plans</b>
	<p>Alan report the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DDC have agreed the application for the NP Area</li> <li>• There was a joint working group meeting in December and another planned for the 13<sup>th</sup> January</li> <li>• The steering group would be meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> January and Bob Keith would be attending.</li> <li>• All working groups are working well and proceeding with their remits</li> <li>• A vote of thanks was given to Alan for his sustained work on this project</li> </ul>
14.01.16	<b>Playing Fields</b>
	Louis reported that new estimates were on their way for the Skate park and that an application under the Daventry Community Grant scheme has been submitted, he also reported that the tennis court at Wroxton Business Centre was still available for use.
14.01.17	<b>Village Hall</b>
	Hannah reported that the Christmas lunch went very well and that the surplus funds had been donated to the Village Hall.
14.01.18	<b>Village Maintenance</b>
	<p>A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book</p> <p>It was agreed that the Parish would purchase Dennis a waterproof jacket</p>

14.01.19	<b>Items for Circulations</b>
	Have been distributed
14.01.20	<b>Planning</b>
	It was agreed that the clerk would forward training courses dates to all once they are available  It was also felt that a meeting to decide on guidelines and general guidance should be held, a date to be agreed at the next meeting

Approved