

# Braunston Parish Council

Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014  
Minutes

## Present

In the Chair: Sally Ann Longworth

Mesdames: Ashford, Campbell, Smith

Messrs: Alsop, Biggs, Chamberlain, Mawer, Morgan, Newman. & Prat

**Apologies for absence:** Mark Fitzhugh

14.04.01	<b>Open forum for Members of the Public</b>
	<p>2 Members of the public were present and reported that they had received nasty exchanges with regard to their child and the skateboarding that is undertaken in Eastfields. The parents were requesting an update with regard to the skateboard in the hope that it would alleviate this project.</p> <p>Abigail updated progress to date including the fact that a £30k grant had been applied for and approximately £10k has been raised so far. The meeting agreed that it would put a resolution to the annual parish meeting that the parish would seek to borrow up to a £80k loan for the completion of the project. It was also agreed that this would be advertised on both the website and through the BVN.</p>
14.04.02	<b>Declaration of Interest</b>
	<p>Abigail Campbell and Hannah Smith sit on the village hall committee Louis Prat is chair of the Playing Field Association</p>
14.04.03	<b>County &amp; District Councillors Report</b>
	<p><b>County</b> No report</p> <p><b>District</b> Abigail reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The introduction of individual elector registration from June</li> <li>• NCC are starting a Love Northamptonshire campaign</li> <li>• The Job Centre has completed the move to the DDC offices</li> <li>• The redevelopment of the Town centre continues and DDC are looking for a hotel partner to continue the development</li> <li>• The "Bedroom Tax" legislation has increased the call on the Discretionary Housing Fund by seven fold</li> </ul>
14.04.04	<b>Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014)</b>
	<p>It was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Andrew Alsop and carried that these be accepted.</p>
14.04.05	<b>Matters Arising from the Minutes</b>
	<p>There were none not already covered</p>
14.04.06	<b>Finance Report</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 Pete Morgan, seconded by Louis Prat and carried that these amounts be paid.</p> <p>It was proposed by Pete Morgan, seconded by Peter Biggs and carried that Geoff Waghorn carry out the internal audit again this year</p>
14.04.07	<b>Annual Parish Meeting</b>
	<p>It was agreed that a notice and short report be included in the BVN. Organisations would be approached to submit reports and to have tables at the meeting with a deadline of the 10<sup>th</sup> may to enable the clerk to collate the reports.</p>

	It was also proposed by Louis Prat, seconded by Sally Ann Longworth and carried that up to £70 be spent on banners advertising the meeting.
14.04.08	<b>Churchyard</b>
	The clerk agreed to write to the Legion with regard to status of the grant application and also to enquire where the rest of the funding will be sourced
14.04.09	<b>Highways</b>
	<p>Pot holes in the following locations Church Road The clerk agreed to report the above</p> <p>An issue was raised over the Churchyard hedge encroaching the footpath. Andrew agreed to report back to the Church wardens and hoped to get the work undertaken shortly.</p> <p>Abigail is still chasing with regard the complaints re the repairs on Spinney Hill</p> <p>It was agreed to move the rubbish bin from the bus stop on the A45 to the lay-by further down towards Willoughby, the clerk would ask Dennis to undertake. Abigail agreed to talk to CRT with regard to replacing the signage advertising the canal refuge disposal point.</p>
14.04.10	<b>Jettyfields</b>
	<p>Please see attached report</p> <p>Jettyfields House have asked if the Parish would object to the placement of a non functioning gateway in the fence that borders on to the Pocket park. The meeting agreed as long as non-functioning this was not an issue.</p>
14.04.11	<b>Neighbourhood Plans</b>
	Please see attached report
14.04.12	<b>Playing Fields</b>
	Louis reported that Circus Ginett was a great success and hoped to visit again
14.04.13	<b>Village Hall</b>
	<p>It was reported that the proposed Temporary Events Notice fee increase is likely to be in the order of a 4 fold increase.</p> <p>The feasibility of a bar at the village hall was continued to being looked into</p> <p>The village hall has approached the Parish Council to see if they can assist with the project for resurfacing the car park. It was agreed to place on the agenda for next month and ask the VH committee to submit some estimated costs.</p>
14.04.14	<b>Village Maintenance</b>
	A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book
14.04.15	<b>Items for Circulations</b>
	Have been distributed
14.04.16	<b>Planning</b>
	It was requested that a template is provided now that the Google form system is not working at the present time