

Minutes of the Brogborough Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 16th October 2019 in the Village Hall, Brogborough which started at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs P Hinson - Chairman, A Moss, J Newberry, D Tuitt & Mrs Lyman –The Clerk and 4 residents.

In attendance: CB Cllr K Matthews.

2400. **To receive apologies:**

Apologies were received from: CB Cllr S Clark & R Morris

2401. **Parish Councillor Resignation:**

Due to commitments, Cllr M White has tendered her resignation, this means there are now 3 vacancies. All Cllrs were asked to give thought to these.

Three of the residents present have indicated their interest.

2402. **To accept Minutes of the previous meeting:**

It was RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th September 2019 and they were duly signed.

2403. **To discuss Matters Arising:**

The picnic table in Badgers Meadow: The order has been placed and followed up but no acknowledgement received so the Clerk will follow this up yet again. Subsequently the order had been overlooked so it has been ordered again and acknowledgment received. It is to be delivered to Cllr Moss's address and a delivery date confirmed.

Regarding the break-in of the Container and theft of grasscutting tools etc: quotes to replace the items stolen have been received and the container has been repaired. All paperwork required has been sent to the insurance company. **Action: LL**

The saplings received from Morgan Sindall are being kept watered until they can be planted now that the fencing has been moved. An article requesting help planting them is to be put in the newsletter. Fliers are to be circulated asking for help with the planting once it has been checked that the ground is suitable to proceed.

2393a Badgers Meadow needs mowing, Cllr Hinson will arrange with ATM. The area where the new fence has been erected needs ploughing . Cllr Hinson has contacted them but will chase up. **Action: PH**

Traffic signals out of sync on Bedford Road. Report number 330028. Highways says all is ok now but they are not so this is to be chased again. Subsequently Report Number: 332071.

2404. **Open Forum:**

Residents will have the chance to raise anything relevant to Parish Council business but they will not be able to discuss the subject more than once. A maximum of 2 minutes per subject will be allowed. Residents were advised of what the PC has no restriction over ie private gardens etc.

It was noted that there is another gypsy encampment by the empty house/Bungalow on Salford Road but by the time it was reported, they had moved on.

2405. **To consider Correspondence:**

Steve Haddock of Prologis had e.mail saying Prologis would like to update various areas around the village. They would also like to update the toilets in the village hall in order to use them as changing facilities for a Marston Gate football team. It was felt that Prologis didn't appear to give enough thought to any of this when they applied for planning permission originally and it would not be possible/practical for them to use the village hall. The hall could not be left unlocked on an ad hoc basis. Cllr Hinson agreed to e.mail Steve Haddock back and advise him that his suggestions were not agreed. **Action: PH**

Responses regarding the CBC Draft Local Plan have been circulated.

Rookery South ERF Community Liaison Panel: a site visit took place yesterday but we didn't know about it until it was too late. As Cllr White was the Cllr representing the Parish Council on the CLP, could another Cllr take this position on please? It was agreed to ask them how often meetings are held and at what time etc. **Action: LL**

CBC Ward Cllrs Grant Funding towards a not for profit organisation: Maybe the village hall could benefit from this. Could it be used to go towards the cost of setting up the new website for the Parish Council?

2406. **To Accept Finance:**

Balances as at 30th September 2019: Comm a/c: £200.00 BP a/c: £42,031.50 BP 2 a/c £15,452.45

It was **RESOLVED** that the following invoices be paid:

Andy Muskett Ltd St Ltg Maintenance	54.00	101090
HMRC PAYE 2 nd ¼	95.20	101091
Cancelled		101092
Brogborough Social Amenities Association Hall Hire for Meetings	120.00	101093
B Lock Hammerite Paint	8.00	101094
Cranfield Express Ltd Summer/Autumn Newsletter	99.00	101095
BATPC Clerks Training	40.00	101096
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary – October	114.52	s/o
e.on Monthly Energy Charge - September	21.46	s/o

e.on	20.77	s/o
Monthly Energy Charge - October	<u>572.95</u>	

2407. **To receive Reports:**

CB Cllrs Matthews: The Inspector has made comments on the CBC Local Plan. CBC are working on the sustainable appraisal at present. There may be minor modifications needed. If major amendments are required, it will have to go out to consultation again. There may not be an answer until the end of the year. The pc are concerned if the building on A507 is put on the higher ground, the building will stand exceedingly high. We also do not want the road closed over the Christmas period – CB Cllr Matthews agreed to take this back to Highways.
Action: KM

No-one knows whether the possible application from O & H for Brogborough Rise (maybe 5,000 houses) is still likely to go ahead.

Noisy work has been taking place around 6.40am. at the new Prologis site at the crossroads. As this is anti-social hours the resident was advised to contact Simon Joynes – Environmental Officer on 0300 300 4467.

Proposed application for houses on Bedford Road - Lee Butler is still working on this.

Dawson Group gave a presentation on their new proposal which was well received. They are putting the plans in this week. Debbie Wilcox will be the planning officer.

C94 restrictions: CB Cllrs Clark & Matthews attended a meeting with Highways and they were advised that the necessary restrictions are due to be done by the end of the month. The road will need to be closed between 9am to 3.30pm when it takes place.

CB Cllr Clark: No report available.

CB Cllr Morris: No report available.

Neighbourhood Watch: Issues have already been discussed.

2408. **Parish Council Website Facility:**

Cambridge Systems who provided the Project Involves websites for some 60 odd parish councils within Central Bedfordshire have now decided to withdraw the facility by 31st March 2020. We set the websites up back in Beds County Council days and when we became a unitary authority, Bedford Borough and Central Bedfordshire Council continued to support it.

Now that the scheme is coming to an end, neither Bedford Borough or CBC say they have funding for the scheme so parishes will have to take on the costs.

A group of Clerks within SLCC have been investigating the way forward and are putting together a package which is likely to cost the parish council around £600 to set up then regular charges on top of that.

The Parish Council must legally have a website.

A plan has been received from SLCC. The Clerk has also made enquiries from another source. Once figures and details have been received we can go forward.

2409. **Play Equipment:**

The Section 106 forms are now in the process of being completed. (The hall is owned by the village but run by the Village Hall committee).

In view of Prologis recent e.mail, what is to be our way forward? It was agreed to forward as had been agreed previously.

The working group have had a re-think about the required equipment and quotes have been sought. Unfortunately only one has been received and that was from the preferred supplier (Red Lynch Leisure) anyway. The final total is for £78,938.30 which covers safety surfacing in all areas and new equipment in all areas.

The two items of loose fitness equipment are to be reported.

Action: LL/PH

2410. **Update Policies/Regulations:**

We should consider checking/updating our policies so the Clerk agreed to circulate for agreement at a future meeting.

Action: LL / All

24119. **To confirm Date of the next meeting:**

Wednesday 13th November 2019.

Meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

Peter Hinson – Chairman