BRADMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Nottinghamshire

This Newsletter gives a brief description of the topics discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 10th January 2018. The newsletter is also on both noticeboards. The information is given as a service to villagers and is believed to be accurate, but will not be verified as such until the next meeting of the Parish Council.

http://www.bradmorevillage.org.uk

CORRESPONDENCE

Nottinghamshire County Council

Are proposing to reduce the number of verge cuts to one per year on selected rural highways where the speed limit was 50mph or above to give a positive impact upon the environment. The Clerk was asked to write to NCC requesting the upkeep of the footpath between Bradmore and Ruddington.

An application to the Local Improvement Scheme would not be submitted this year.

NCC are offering small grants (up to £300) to villages to commemorate the Great War. It would appear that none of the eligible activities would be suitable for a village the size of Bradmore.

An independent transport consultant working on a project to improve bus services in south Nottinghamshire has contacted Parish Councils. The Parish Council declined to comment as the consultant is not affiliated with the Borough or County Council.

RESIGNATION OF CLERK/RFO

The Clerk has tendered her resignation with effect from 31st March 2018. Cllr Colwill welcomed the new Clerk, Rebecca Hague, who will take up the new post with effect from 1st April 2018. Cllr Cattell would draw up the Conditions of Employment.

FINANCE

Reserves: A plan would be drawn up to earmark the use of the reserves (i.e. "possible village capital projects". One suggestion was a "Heritage Trail" within the village. Parishioners would be asked for their suggestions via a flyer and the 'Best of 3' would then be discussed at the Residents' Meeting on 10 May 2018. It was suggested that the level of reserves held by the Council should be used to reduce the precept in future years if there were no suggestions for viable / suitable capital projects forthcoming.

The draft Budget for 2018/2019 was approved, together with the Precept for 2018/2019 of £3,022 (no increase). The Clerk would submit the Precept application.

Under the Transparency Code Funding for 2018, an application would be made to purchase a laptop and Microsoft Package for the new Clerk.

The Clerk reported that with effect from 1st April 2018, annual external audits for Councils with a Precept of less than £25,000 would no longer be required. Under the Smaller Authorities Auditor Appointments Ltd (SAAA), External Auditors, PKF Littlejohn LLP, had been appointed and would be available to parishioners wishing to raise questions regarding the annual finances.

ANNUAL RESIDENTS' MEETING

A flyer would be delivered to all residents within the next two weeks informing parishioners of the "Annual Residents Meeting" which will be held at 7pm on Thursday 10th May 2018 in the Spire Room (on a date separate from the Annual Council meeting). Following the meeting, soft drinks, wine and nibbles will be available. Speaker: Nottinghamshire Materials Recovery Facility, Mansfield.

PLANNING DECISIONS (RBC GRANTED)

17/01890/FUL Mrs D Beardsley Proposed farm building and hardstanding – revised proposals OS Field 4445, Farmer Street, Bradmore

17/02085/FUL Mr & Mrs R Wilby Two storey side extension, pitched roof over existing garage, front canopy at 44 Farmer Street, Bradmore

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

17/02809/AGRIC John A Wells Ltd

Application for determination of whether prior approval is required for the deposit of material to form extension of farmyard at Barn Farm, Flawforth Lane, Ruddington.

No Objection (PC) with the following comments:

The Parish Council would like to reaffirm their comments submitted on previous applications: An indication of the final size of the development must surely have been known when original planning was submitted and should have been declared so that appropriate decisions could be made at that time. Considering the continuing successive developments, there is no hope of the site being successfully screened. Enforcement of the planting needs to be monitored.

Development of this site has destroyed the visual open aspect to the north of the village and further development will only make the matter worse."

17/02845/OHLUG Western Power Distribution

No Objection (PC)

Free standing pole mounted transformer at Cherry Lane Garden Centre Pendock Lane Bradmore

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EVENTS

The Carol Singing had raised £367.82 for the Salvation Army. Refreshments were donated by residents and hosted by Mr and Mrs Garner.

The weather held up for an enjoyable but muddy NYD Walk led by Mr and Mrs R Wilby, followed by refreshments in the Spire Room. The event was thought to be a record with over 40 walkers participating.

A good number of residents turned out for the annual recital by the Rhr Corp of Drums on Remembrance Sunday, followed by refreshments in the Community Hall. A collection raised £120 which goes towards the purchase of new instruments for the Cadets.

AMENITIES

VILLAGE CLEAN UP – Saturday 10th March 2018. Meet 10am outside the Community Hall Councillors would appreciate your help.

The salt bin on the corner of Main/Farmer Street would be emptied in the Spring and filled with fresh salt. Cllr Cattell would present a plan at the next meeting for the spreading of salt on the roads during bad weather.

Water continues to seep from the ground and across the road at the bottom of Far Street This could create a hazard, particularly in icy conditions. NCC would be contacted with a request for them to check the possibility of an underground spring and suggest what needs to be done to stop the leak.

Spring bulbs would be planted in the Autumn.

FOOTPATH WARDEN

The gate which was damaged at the entrance to the footpath leading from Littlemoor Lane to the Rushcliffe Country Park needs to be removed. This will allow for easier passage for walkers.

NEW RESIDENTS

The Welcome Pack has been replaced by a "Welcome Letter" Following the retirement of the Clerk on 31st March, Cllr Colwill would take responsibilityfor delivering the Letter to new residents. Mr A Fairbrother would assist Cllr Maxwell with updating the website.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 7th March 2018 commencing 7:30 pm in the Church Room (subject to additional meetings as necessary). If you wish to raise any points on the Agenda, please inform a Councillor beforehand or come to the meeting yourself and speak during the open session.

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