

BRADMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in
the Community Hall at 7:30 pm on Wednesday 6th January 2016

Present: Councillor R Adair (Chair)
Councillor R Colwill (Vice Chair)
Councillor S Maxwell
Councillor J Nathanson
Councillor C Skoyles
Councillor F Cattell
Councillor K Buksmann (co-opted)
The Clerk

- 1 APOLOGIES: None
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Personal and Prejudicial): None

OPEN SESSION

Mr John Aspen, a new resident (15/09/2015).

- 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday, 4 November 2015 were approved with the following amendments:
 - Present* – Councillor S Maxwell
 - Item 6, line 5* - replace the words "two other Councillors" with the words "one other resident, Mr T Maxwell.
 - Item 16, line 1* - replace the word "cancelled" with "postponed"
 - Item 17, replace paragraph with:* "It was agreed if decisions need to be made or changed between meetings, there must be a decision between a minimum of quorate of councillors (i.e. Chair/Vice Chair and one Councillor), or two Councillors in the absence of the Chair or Vice Chair".
- 4 FINANCE
Financial Statement circulated prior to the meeting. A cheque received by the Clerk for £1,120 from NALC in respect of the Transparency Code funding would be included on the March Statement and deposited in the Current account. The Clerk was awaiting the invoice from Vintage Wines for payment.

Approval was given for the transfer of £800 to the Current Account to cover payments of £529.63 and additional payments relating to the website launch. Cllr Colwill would ask Mr Fairbrother to send receipts to the Clerk.

Budget – The draft budget was approved, this included an increase in the Precept from £2940 to £3,000 now that the "Transitional Protection of the Precept" scheme from Rushcliffe Borough Council had ceased. Cllr Adair had given £100 from the NCC Community Support Scheme to assist with any forthcoming projects. Cllr Colwill suggested that the provision for "Transparency Funding" and "Website Launch Costs" be included in the final budget. The Clerk was asked to circulate the breakdown of costs for the refreshments served on New Year's Day.

New Audit Regime – The Clerk updated Councillors on the current position with regard to "Procurement of Audit for Smaller Authorities". The deadline for a response by Councils had been extended to 31st March 2016.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

NALC

Website training sessions were being offered (deadline 11/2/2016) but would not be taken up at the present time.

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Grants were being offered to commemorate the Great War but none of the permitted categories were applicable to Bradmore.

Consultation on Spending Proposals (2016/2017). Cllr Buksmann asked if a response to these proposals could be sent from the Parish Council regarding the cutbacks on transport which would affect schoolchildren. The Clerk would liaise with Cllr Buksmann.

Correspondence circulated for information:

NCC Electoral Review (Final recommendations)

Invitation to Stakeholder meeting with Police Crime Commissioner

Land Registry email address changing

NALC Annual Report 2015

NALC Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement

National Planning Policy Open Consultation

6 VILLAGE WEBSITE

Cllr Colwill updated the Council on the progress and would continue to do so between meetings. Sheila Clark has kindly expressed a willingness to assist in the development of the village history section of the site. There had been limited response from teenage residents to become involved. The Council Newsletter would continue to be circulated by the Clerk with a link to the new website. Cllr Adair congratulated Cllr Colwill on the website, and offered financial assistance for the project in the future if required.

7 RBC WEBSITE

Documents would continue to be posted to this website in parallel with the village website until the Annual meetings in May.

8 PLANNING MATTERS Ref 15/03063/PA14J

Dr Aidan Bell (Soventix GmbH) Application for determination as to whether prior approval is required for installation of solar P.V. panels on roofs of agricultural buildings
Location: Barn Farm, Flawforth Lane, Ruddington, Nottinghamshire

(For information only as the Borough Council are required to notify the neighbours adjoining the application site)

Cllr Adair reported that he had objected to the recent planning application by Mr John A Wells Ltd (Ref 15/02670/FUL) for the erection of 7 silos, grain dryer and plant room at Barn Farm House, Barn Farm.

The Clerk reminded Councillors of the changes to the Borough Council's website. Generic email and password required for access. Cllrs agreed to wait until apparent teething problems had been sorted.

9 UPDATE ON VILLAGE EVENTS

Remembrance Sunday – Thanks received from the RHR Corps of Drums for donations of £78.18 and refreshments.

Carol Singing – Thanks received from Mr and Mrs Garner for £250 collected for the Friary Drop In Centre. The Clerk would send a letter of thanks for hosting the refreshments.

New Year's Day Walk – Dawn Wilby reported that 60 people had joined the walk, although not all had attended afterwards for refreshments.

10 CLERK'S APPRAISAL

Cllr Cattell had submitted appraisal forms for Councillors to complete anonymously before returning to Cllr Cattell by the end of January. Comments would be passed to Cllr Adair, for discussion with the Clerk.

11 AMENITIES

Streetwise would be organising "Clean for the Queen" 4th to 6th March. Saturday 12th March was agreed for the litter day. POST MEETING NOTE: Cllrs were asked to change the date to 5th March to coincide with the Crafts and Coffee morning.

Visibility around the bend on Farmer Street could be improved if a bush/trees could be trimmed. (RA)

The embankment at the junction of Main Street and Far Street was encroaching further into the road. The Clerk would be asked to contact the owners.

Cllr Maxwell suggested that a plan should be drawn up to cover the gritting of streets in icy weather.

12 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Cllr Maxwell reported there had been no further meetings with the (Police Priority Setting Group (PPSG) since the last Parish meeting. Recent crime figures and information from the last PPSG meeting had been posted to the website. Future information would also be posted on the website. Cllr Maxwell would investigate the possibility of procuring supplies of the Smartwater solution for residents.

13 PARKING AND SAFETY

Three examples of problem parking on Farmer Street had been photographed and circulated by Cllr Maxwell on behalf of a resident, together with photographs of the possible siting of visibility mirrors on private property. Cllr Maxwell was reluctant to approach landowners because, if sited on private land, the landowners would become responsible for any accident. Cllr Maxwell volunteered to write to residents via the Clerk to illustrate the problems.

14 FOOTPATH WARDEN

Report circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Colwill had contacted the NCC for advice on removing a tree trunk which is blocking a stile situated Rancliffe House on Loughborough Road. Cllr Colwill confirmed that cyclists had a right of way on Bridleways but not Footpaths.

15 NEW RESIDENTS: Stephen and Dawn Phillips, The Coach House.

16 DRAFT AGENDA (MARCH). Clerk's Appraisal

17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 2nd March 2016

The meeting closed at 8:56 pm.

Signed:

Dated: