

## **BRAMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2019**

#### **Pre Meeting Comments and Questions**

No public attended the meeting

**Present:** John Wells (JW) (Chair) Marietta Johnson (MJ) Chris Armstead (CA) Nick Savage (NS) (Treasurer) Cheryl Jackson (CJ) Graham Lyons (GL) Councillor Ken Crofton (KC)

#### **Appointment of Councillor for Casual Vacancy**

Proposed JW seconded CJ agreed by council Mr Graham Lyons be the co-opted member of the PC. JW welcomed Graham and gave a brief history of his involvement in the village. GL to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office and BPC Code of Conduct

**Apologies:** Guy Tucker ((GT) Vice Chair Liz Hamilton (LH) Clerk, Pam Rutherford (PM) Councillor Michael McMullen (MM)

#### **Declaration of Interest**

None

### **Minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2019**

The minutes of the meeting were agreed and the Chair signed the minutes as a true record.

#### **Matters arising from the previous minutes**

- (a) Village Sign – JW thanked CA and reported that the sign was in place. JW had received some comments about the sign and after a short discussion on various options of how to make the engraving of the Church stand out, it was decided to leave it for the moment to see how it weathers in. JW requested CA to liaise with NS when invoice for sign received it was agreed to remove this item from the Agenda.
- (b) Bury Lane Activity – JW read out various emails for those who were not present at last meeting. JW is still awaiting a reply from Kim Bowers and the PC expressed their concern for the lack of action on this matter bearing in mind it has been nearly 2 years.  
KC suggested through MM we should request a meeting with officers of the EH Council to discuss this subject Further JW to draft a letter to be sent to CEO of Council Mr Richard Cassidy with copies to Sara Saunders Head of Planning and Kim Bowers

Principal Enforcement Officer expressing our concern at the lack of action being taken by the EHDC on this issue

- (c) Damaged Road sign – JW read out his email to HCC And their reply. KC asked JW to send him copies of the emails and he said he would put pressure on highways to take action. MJ asked for a sign on the sharp corner by the lodge as present one not visible JW asked her to take a photo and he would forward this on to KC. KC stated that all faults should be reported on the Highways fault line and a reference number would be given before the repair is done.
- (d) Footpath rear of Village Hall, NS confirmed that this had been paid. JW thanked KC for the contribution from his Locality Budget and this was endorsed by a photo taken viewing the completed path. This item can now be removed from the agenda
- (e) Equipment of Litter Picking - JW had chased Karen Evans on several occasions and she has now informed JW that she is trying to obtain the equipment free of charge from the HCC Environment Dept for Waste Aware It was agreed that the PC should go ahead and purchase the proposed litter picking equipment and advertise its availability in the Parish Magazine The telephone box was suggested as a possible storage location for the equipment
- (f) Traffic Calming – JW reported that the Police had put up a censor box and monitored traffic through the village for one week and had given a report. The result of the survey indicated that there was some speeding through the village but the average speed did not exceed the stated speed limit and therefor any additional signage would unlikely attract any support from highways KC said it may be possible we could apply for a speed indicator device and advise should be sort from Rosemary Chatindo Assistant Highways Manger HCC It was agreed that we should inform Chris Murray that a survey had been carried out and update him with the action by the PC
- (g) Road Channel Cleanse - JW reported that he had approached O' Connors for weed treatment the quote received was far too expensive and Harry Pateman Snr had been contracted to carry out the work for £75.00. JW reported the problems he had with dealing with different departments within EHDC and finally he had been told that they would now spray annually and the next spray would be in September. JW was thanked for his hard work on this matter.

## **Financial Matters**

NS reported that we have £4,916.52 in the current account and £3,315.61 in deposit account. He reported that he had a phone call from HMRC who confirmed that we would be getting £510.00 VAT back. He reported that new home bonus and precept were due.

Accounts for payment

Pateman Garden Services -	£75.00
Litter picking	£30.00
Donation to Bramfield Church	£150.00
Web site	£11.99
EHDC emptying dog bins	£405.10
EHDC Parish Elections	£51.15

It was mentioned we should carefully monitor our expenses due to no off payments being made

### **7. Correspondence**

Letter from Rural Community Fund - JW reported that he had requested and received information about a possible grant for Solar panels to go on the roof of Village hall. There was a lot of information to digest and he would look through the information and report back at the next meeting. He said we had missed the next date of 23<sup>rd</sup> August to apply and that we may be able to apply for November.

### **8. Vehicle parking on the pavements.**

JW reported that after a complaint from a resident he had put a note through doors to ask everyone to refrain from parking on the pavement.

9. JW reported that a complaint had been received regarding the Grandson sign on the village green that remained illuminated into the early hours of the morning 2-30am stated Jw to contact the landlord of the Grandison requesting the timing be changed most likely just simple adjustment of timer at electrical supply.

10. CJ reported that she had been to a Village Hall Network meeting run by the CDA who help village halls and she had received information from Care UK about Staying Safe and Secure in Older Age. CJ asked the PC if we should ask Care UK to come and give a talk or should the Village Hall arrange this. It was decided that the PC and Village Hall Committee would work on this jointly and JW and CJ will liaise.

Date of next meeting 17<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and JW said he would not be able to attend.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-30pm