

Brant Broughton and Stragglethorpe Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held at The Village Hall, West Street, Brant Broughton on

24th February 2022.

Present: Cllr M George (MG) (in the Chair), K. Cain (KC), P. Dunning (PD), J. Salmon (JS), K. Salmon (KS), S. Swain (SS) P. Thornburn (PT) and Dist Cllr Mary Green. There were three members of the public present.

21/115: Declarations of interest: There were none.

21/116: Public time: The static caravan in a resident's garden is causing concern but the Enforcement Officer has been informed and will visit in due course but he is very busy with the Beckingham problems at present so it may be a while.

There have been further amendments to planning application 21/1550 and Cllr J Salmon has prepared a response which Councillors have seen. She gave a brief outline of the contents of the response. Chair thanked Cllr Salmon for preparing this and for her hard work in doing so.

Dist Cllr Mary Green – her newsletter has been circulated. Planning application 21/1550 is ongoing. There have been 17 applications at Beckingham for a static and tourer on each pitch. NK had a peer review in November and this reviewed the number of Councillors on the planning committee (they have 43 but most Councils only have around 20). The suggestion is a reduction to 22 at NK but the general consensus is that local representation is required at planning committee.

21/117: Apologies – There were none.

21/118: Minutes of the meeting held on 13th January had been read, were approved, and it was unanimously resolved that they be signed.

21/119: Village e-mail circulation: The list has been updated and 91 residents are subscribed.

21/120: Trees – the three-yearly tree survey report has been received and there are two “essential” area of work required, both on trees at the village hall green. Resolved to get this work carried out.

Moles in Rectory Field – Chair had circulated information on eradication of moles and had had two quotes. The grass-cutter advised that moles have always been there. After discussion it was resolved (6 for and 1 abstention) that no action will be taken at the present time.

Cherry trees – 3 plaques are required – wording still to be agreed. Metal guards are £95 net for small ones and £135 net for larger ones – resolved unanimously to buy 2 large ones. Cllr Swain to submit information to Clerk so she can order them – delivery to Cllr Swain's property.

21/121: Bus shelter: defibrillator has been checked and is working okay. Prices for a noticeboard still pending – agenda for April meeting.

21/122: Planning:

21/1550 – 6 poultry houses at Leadenham – it was resolved to submit Cllr

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Salmon's response with an additional sentence regarding employment.

21/1873 – 14 Church Lane, BB – fell mixed scrub – approved.

22/0033 - The Shielings, Stragglethorpe – new pagoda – pending consideration.

22/0058 – Midvil House, Meeting House Lane – fell willow – pending decision (*now approved*).

21/123: Queens Platinum Jubilee (QPJ): Cllr Swain updated the meeting on proposed activities on 3rd June. Everything is moving ahead well. A church service on the Sunday will be held at Welbourn.

21/124 – Brant Broughton Almshouses – The Parish Council has to nominate a new Trustee to take office for 4 years – Cllr K Salmon offered and it was resolved that he be nominated.

21/125: Finance: Resolved to sign the bank reconciliation/income/expenditure sheets at 31.1.22. Bank balance at 31.1.22 = £19,501.41.

Payments since last meeting: Salary and expenses £371.40; Noticeboard lock £10.99; Mid-term internal audit £50; Hall hire £15; NK tree inspection £108.50; PCC grant £1500; Pre-school grant £1,000.

21/126: Next meeting – 7th April 2022. Discussion took place as to the format of the Annual Parish Meeting. This will be a social evening with an opportunity for residents to raise and discuss any issues with councillors. No decisions can be made as it is not a Council meeting per se, but matters will be brought to the May meeting if necessary. Post It Notes and pens to be provided so people can put comments on a board if they would rather not speak to councillors (JS to source). Nibbles, red and white wine, and orange juice to be provided. Clerk to arrange nibbles and PT the wine. PT will do a poster for the noticeboards, magazines and e-mail list.

Meeting closed at 8.42 pm.

