

## **Brant Broughton and Stragglethorpe Parish Council**

**Minutes of Parish Council meeting held at The Village Hall, West Street, Brant Broughton on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7.30 pm.**

**Present:** Cllr M George (MG) (in the Chair), K. Cain (KC), P. Dunning (PD), J. Salmon (JS), K. Salmon (KS), S. Swain (SS) and P. Thornburn (PT) also Cty Cllr M Overton. There were four members of the public present.

**21/82: Declarations of interest:** There were none.

**21/83: Public time:** a core campaign group has been set up regarding planning reference 21/1550. We were asked if we would assist by providing funding for an independent planning advisor. 92 comments had been lodged with NK as at today. It was clear that some people are not against the application (including 2 councillors), having spoken to villagers.

**21/84: Planning re 21/1550:** Comments made were that we should comment on LP policies that are in place, HGV movements and the A17, and water run off concerns for contaminated water. A proposal was made to object to the planning application – 5 councillors for an objection and 2 against. Discussion then took place and a proposal made to employ a planning advisor and there were 5 councillors against this and 2 for it.

**Cllr Overton** advised that there are grants available for buying trees. She had attended the COP26 summit where there had been a push for climate change – 13.7% reduction in emissions is needed every year. A lot of work has been done on changes to the draft Local Plan.

**21/85: Apologies** – Dist Cllrs M Green and R Eckert.

**21/86: Minutes** of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October had been read, were approved, and it was unanimously resolved that they be signed.

**21/87: Highways** –Overgrown vegetation on the footpath outside the playing field has been cleared. Dog fouling signs have been received and Cllr Swain will put them up around pertinent places in BB. New stickers saying “30 mph” are required for the new wheelie bins – about 200 (clerk to check electoral roll). Cost to come from Reserves.

**21/88: West Street/Robinson Place ginnel:** NK have approved the temporary fence put up by the resident and Cllr Thornburn confirms it is on the existing fence line. The Parish Council will take responsibility for the ginnel and maintain it.

**21/89: Village e-mail circulation:** A flier to be put in the Three Villages and a Hamlet magazine for distribution to the villages. This will ask if people currently on the list wish to stay on it (if they do not reply, then they will be taken off). It will ask people if they want to be added to it. All replies to come to the Clerk at a new email address specifically for the purpose of this matter. A time limit will be put on for responses. Clerk to do a pro forma.

**21/90: Trees** – A resident had very kindly offered two cherry trees that were planted in her mother’s garden last year – we would like to accept those and Steve will dig up and re-plant. Chair will go to Pearson’s and select 4 cherry trees as previously agreed.

**21/91: Defibrillator** – monthly checks are being done by Cllr Swain and clerk is forwarding them on to WebNOS.

**21/92: Bus shelter:** the finishing touches still need completion and further paint has not yet been purchased.

**21/93: Planning: 21/1397** – Preschool – retain prefab building for further 5 years – approved.

**21/1410** – 110 High Street, BB – tree works – approved.

**21/1448** – newbuild on land adjacent to 4 Coldrons Way – pending consideration;

**21/1593** – tree works at 3 High Street, BB – approved.

**21/1612** – Tree works at Playing Field – approved.

**21/1633** – Tree works at 14A Church Lane – approved.

**21/94: Queens Platinum Jubilee (QPJ):** Cllr Swain advised that the next meeting will be after Christmas.

**21/95: Village Hall** - Cllr J Salmon advised that there had been a lot of resignations prior to the AGM with only two committee members left. However, 7 joined at the AGM so there is now a full complement.

**21/96: Finance:** Resolved to sign the bank reconciliation/income/expenditure sheet at 31.10.21. Bank balance at 31.10.21 = £24,346.17.

**Payments since last meeting:** Salary 346.04; BB PFA grant £293.00; Litter pick £300; Baby & Toddlers grant £127.10; Grass cutting £550; McAfee renewal £70.99; Bank charge £18; Hall hire £15; Primary school planters £75.55.

It was resolved to approve all grant applications totalling £8,828.

It was resolved to pay £30 towards Clerk’s training for the FILCA.

The suggested budgets for 2022-2023 had been prepared by the clerk and it was resolved to request a precept at the same level as the current year £18,384.

**21/97: Meeting dates** for 2022 were circulated.

**21/98: Next meeting** – 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

It was resolved to go into Closed Session to discuss employment matters.

Meeting closed at 9 pm.

Closed Session Minute:

Cllrs Dunning, George and K Salmon had done the Clerk's appraisal (a copy had been circulated prior to the meeting). It was resolved that she should receive an increase of one SCP on the NALC scale.