

# **Minutes of the Weeting with Broomhill Parish Council Meeting Held at Weeting Village Hall, Weeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

## **PRESENT:**

Councillors M. Nairn Chair, M. Lister Vice Chair, M. Burlingham, J. Prosser, M. Buxton, C. Drewry, T. Childerhouse and Mrs P. Angus Clerk to the Council.

Mr J Reay Handyman. There were 4 members of the public and District Councillor Sam Chapman Allen

## **1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE**

Cllr S. Walmsley and County Cllr F. Eagle.

## **2. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record of that meeting, this was proposed by Cllr Buxton seconded by Cllr Burlingham and all agreed, the Chair signed the minutes.

## **3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

## **4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.**

A member of the public said that there is a meeting planned on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January to take a vote for the Forest Practice Doctors to move into the Brandon Leisure Centre. The same member of the public went on to explain about what various buildings such as the old Barclays Bank building may be used for in the future. He also went on to explain that the views expressed by the Town District and County Councillor in the Brandon Life magazine regarding the Brandon Railway Station buildings was the view of the individual and not the Council. Another member of the public said that there is a speed national awareness scheme between 14<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January. The same member of the public said that it is rumoured that a developer is going to build some properties in North Court.

## **5. MATTERS ARISING**

### **5.1 Outstanding Highway Matters – to discuss any outstanding issues**

David Jacklin from Highways has agreed to come to Weeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> January to look at the footpaths with regards to the lack of mobility that wheel chair and pushchair users are experiencing.

### **5.2 Street Lighting – Street Lighting officers report**

None this month was reported to Cllr Burlingham, the Clerk had received one which was faulty and this has now been dealt with.

### **5.3 Playing Field/Open Spaces**

T.T.S.R have submitted a quote for both the 1 year and 3 years Grass cutting contract. Cllr Prosser proposed that the Council accept the 3 year contract this was seconded by Cllr Buxton all agreed.

### **5.4 Football Club – Update on Terms and Conditions**

An email had been sent to the Football club that states the following: -

*Providing that the Football Club keeps the internal fixtures and fitting in good working order and clean and tidy then they can continue using the facilities, however, if at any time this is not adhered to then the Parish Council will withdraw the facilities.* The football club have also given Cllr Smith a cheque for the electricity bill (Cllr Smith was not at the meeting tonight)

### **5.5 STANTA Tour 2019 – date 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – up date on arrangements**

Cost of coach is £240 - 51 or 57-seater – one coach has been booked with a provision of booking a second coach if we have a good response from the notices. The Clerk will prepare a notice for the website and Weeting Village News.

### **5.6 War Memorial – Update on progress**

No further progress, however, the Chair said that Parrots Piece is still favourite for the new location and he suggested that a site meeting is held later in the year when the weather is warmer.

## **6. REPORTS**

### **6.1 Chairman's Report**

Brandon Railway Station – there was meeting held in early January regarding the station that Weeting Parish Council was excluded from in which Network Rail/ Greater Anglia said that they intended to

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pull the building down as they own the 99-year lease. The Chairman and District Cllr Sam Chapman Allen has since written to Breckland to ask if the building could possibly be listed, subsequent to that it has been rumoured that Bats are nesting in the building. An application of determination before any work can be carried out to demolish the buildings is required. Brandon Town Council are fully supportive of these buildings not being pulled down. The Chair said that a person from Greater Anglian needs to be contacted to come along to the next meeting to explain what their intentions are as to what is happening with Brandon Station, the Clerk will contact Anglian to arrange this.

Road closures – on the 24<sup>th</sup> January there is the road closure of Hockwold Road which will take place from the junction of the bus station which will go down towards the service point for resurfacing. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> January Brandon Road will be closed for surfacing works. All residents in the immediate vicinity should have had letters regarding these closures.

## **6.2 Clerks Report**

- Organized appt with David Jacklin to come to village to see problem footpaths etc for pushchairs and wheelchairs, he is coming on the 25th January.
- Wrote thankyou letter to Westcotec for the good service and help with the Christmas tree lights.
- Drew up Terms and Conditions for Football Club and sent these over to the new Football Club Chairman.
- Contacted E-on to try and get smart meter fitted in football club but was told that this is not possible at the moment.
- Spoke to bank regarding Bacs payments.
- Transferred £15,000 from current to savings account.
- Sent thankyou letter to Tim Murfitt to thank him for the help with cutting back trees.
- Booked one coach for STANTA with a proviso for 2nd coach if numbers warrant this.
- Arranged for notifications of the STANTA practice times to be sent to the Council by email, these will appear on the Facebook page and the Parish Council website.

## **6.3 Village Handyman Report**

- Trimmed bushes around the dog walk.
- Trimmed wild rose on Main Road Verge.
- The Clothing and Bottle bank were emptied between the Christmas bank holiday, but since had to empty the bin at the Bottle bank as SERCO has missed a week.
- Cut down and took the Christmas tree away.
- Cleaned and refitted BDC and WREN sign with Perspex sheet over the sign on back of notice board in the Village Hall grass carpark.
- Fixed 3 holes in chain link fence between dog walk and Main Road.
- Fitted temporary post at the end of the Row by the trod.
- Cut up branch at Parrot Piece carpark and took away.
- Moved 2 bags of ballast from Main Road to Rectory Lane.
- Regularly split up cloth's bags left at the clothing bank and put these into the bank.

## **6.4 Bowls Club Report**

They had a very good Christmas and new year

## **6.5 Village Hall Report**

Nothing to report as there has not been a meeting

## **6.6 Football Club Report**

## **6.7 District Councillors Report**

Just launched a community led wellbeing fund – which for example will be available for Zumba Classes, keep fit etc. A new Dragons Den Style Business fund has been launched by Breckland Council, aimed at developing the next generation of budding entrepreneurs and supporting local businesses looking to expand in 2019. Breckland Lottery that was launched a year ago has had some good pay outs recently. If any of you have any concerns regarding people who are sleeping rough or have issues at home during the cold weather please get in contact with Breckland.

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## 6.8 County Councillors Report

Not at meeting apologies sent

### 7. CORRESPONDENCE – To report on any outstanding correspondence received by the Council

There was a letter received from a member of the public regarding transport in the village

### 8. FINANCE

#### 8.1 To Agree and Sign the Payments for the December/January invoices

The following payments were authorised on Thursday the 17th January 2019 the cheques were signed by Cllrs M. Burlingham and M. Lister. This was proposed by Cllr Buxton, seconded by Cllr Lister and all agreed.

**Balance for December 2018** **£31,854.42**

#### Minus the following direct debits / SO

E-On Street Lights	£535.09
E-On Street Lights Parrots Piece	£20.36
Viridor Waste Collection	£52.61
Mr J Reay Salary Paid by SO	£200.00
Internal Transfer from Current to Savings account	£15,000.00
<b>Total Direct Debits</b>	<b>£15,808.06</b>

#### Plus, the following receipts

Weeting Bowls Club	£18.75
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**Total Income** **£18.75**

**Total after Direct Debits and Income** **£16,065.11**

Cheques	Description	Total
400268	Mr J Reay Salary £414.05 (£200.00 paid by S/O see above) £18.00 mileage	£232.05
400269	Mrs P Angus £536.77- Phone £5.00- Office rent £25.00 - Mileage £8.00	£570.37
400270	Void Cheque	£0.00
400271	Didlington Nurseries - Laurels and Compost	£446.90
400272	Westcotec - Street Light Maintenance	£194.08
400273	E- On Football Club electricity	£19.55
400274	Terry Hawkins - Web Site maintenance	£90.00
400275	Weeting Village Hall - Hall Hire	£18.75
400276	Chase Timber Products	£10.84

**Total Cheques paid** **£1,582.54**

**Balance in Community Account January 2019** **£14,482.57**

**Balance in Savings Account** **£15,000.00**

<b>Total in Parish Council Accounts</b>	<b>£29,482.57</b>
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(£2,000 ringfenced for play area maintenance and £996.50 for outdoor play projects)

#### 8.2 Weeting School - Application for grant towards additional IT equipment

Nothing received from the School.

#### 8.3 BAC'S Payments instead of cheques

The Clerk explained that many suppliers are asking if the Council can pay their invoices by BAC's, this is mainly due to the problem they have paying cheques in as more and more Banks are closing their branches. The Parish Councils Financial Regulations do state on item 1.59 the following  
*"If thought appropriate by the council, payment for certain items may be made by BACS or CHAPS methods provided that the instructions for each payment are signed, or otherwise evidenced, by two authorised bank signatories, are retained and any payments are reported to council as made. The*

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*approval of the use of BACS or CHAPS shall be renewed by resolution of the council at least every two years”*

Following a discussion, it was agreed that some payments would now be made by BACS this was proposed by Cllr Prosser, seconded by Cllr Drewry and all agreed.

**9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**3SO/2018/0003/SCO Land at Brandon Road Weeting  
EIA scoping opinion for proposed crematorium facility dated 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**10. MEMBERS' MATTERS - items for next Agenda**

The Clerk will investigate what can be purchased to remove the Graffiti from the Bus Shelters.

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 19.56

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_