

# **Minutes of the Weeting with Broomhill Parish Council Meeting Held at Weeting Village Hall, Weeting on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

## **PRESENT:**

Councillors M. Nairn Chair, M. Lister Vice Chair, M. Burlingham, P. Smith, M. Buxton, County Council F. Eagle and Mrs P. Angus Clerk to the Council.  
Mr J Reay Handyman. There were 3 members of the public.

## **1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE**

Cllrs T. Childerhouse, S. Walmsley, J. Prosser and C. Drewry.

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

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record of that meeting, the Chair signed the minutes. This was proposed by Cllr P. Smith, seconded by M. Burlingham and 4 agreed.

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

None

## **4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

## **5. MATTERS ARISING**

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

The Chair said that Mr David Jacklin of the Highways Department was coming to the village on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00 to discuss new gated signs into Weeting and other Highway matters such as the junction of Hockwold and Brandon Road which has been resurfaced over 3 consecutive years, and there is a problem with the adoption of a highway in Jubilee Close, and also weeds on the side of the road, and the road surface on the Brandon Straight, District Cllr F. Eagle asked that the Clerk send him an e-mail regarding this meeting as he would like to attend on that day.

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

Nothing to report

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

Bulb planting in the Autumn – it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Diddlington Nurseries for a price for large sacks of mixed daffodil bulbs.

Bottle bank nettles – the Chair said that he and some of the Cllrs would cut back the nettles around the bottle bank.

The Clerk has purchased new litter pickers, and the Chair said that the old litter pickers would be offered to those that may find them useful for picking things up and reaching in high places.

Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk would obtain prices for laurel bushes to be planted behind the teen shelter.

The chair said that the Parish Council would like to buy a new pendulum swing and he will try and get some money from the rally

The dog walkers would like a bench in the dog walking area and following a discussion it was agreed that this would not be possible.

Grass cutting by the Village sign – the Clerk has obtained a price of £22.00 for TTSR to cut this area, following a discussion it was agreed to wait and see if this would be necessary as Breckland cut this area occasionally.

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## **6. REPORTS**

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

The Chair said that he and Cllr Lister met with the potential developer for the New Lodge Farms land and the developer assured them that they will not change the content of 106, they just want to change the order of building work to be progressed which is to build the market houses first and then the social houses, he gave assurances that there will be no increases of the houses on the site and the social houses stay the same as on the original plan.

The planning application for the Old station yard on the Mundford Road has now been withdrawn their planning applications and Tavalera Developments have also withdrawn their planning application for 350 houses near Brandon. Dignity have put in for planning to build a crematorium on land on Mill Farm and they have already had some tests carried out on the land to check for water. There has been some flyposting around the village and the Chair has contacted Mark McHafferfy regarding this problem. The Chair confirmed that the Village Life magazine will continue for another year.

### **6.2 Clerks Report**

- Purchased litter picks
- Ordered sacks and a first aid kit for the handyman
- Obtained a price for Kompan Swing Seat
- Obtained a price for Wickstead Nest Swing
- Wrote letter to Barclays regarding the closure of the Brandon Branch
- Contacted Brecklands regarding fly tipping (televisions)
- Contacted Westcotec regarding the LED replacement street lights
- Sent letter to the family that own the memorial seat to let them know that it has been repaired
- Attended and took minutes for meeting regarding Childerhouse Farms development
- Obtained price for grass cutting by the Village sign of £22.00

### **6.3 Village Handyman Report**

- Busy rally weekend litter picking and emptying the litterbins.
- Carried out repair to broken gate post by the teen shelter
- Repaired top of gate frame by the play area
- Started on the work needed following the ROSPA report
- Nest wing – made chain shorter one side
- Baby swing – tightened up 4 top bolts
- Slide – tightened up 5 hand grips
- Cone climber – secured matting – Cllr Lister has been very supportive to the handy man
- Checked and oiled top bracket on senior swing
- Repaired gate and fence post by the teen shelter
- Fitted new posts at the end of The Row
- Collected family memorial bench from gentleman that had carried out the repair and gave this two coats of paint and returned it to Parrotts Piece
- Cut back hedge on the dog walk and main road
- Made and fitted tin plate on gate post by football hut
- Cut back tree branches that had fallen across the dog walk

### **6.4 Bowls Club Report**

Very busy over the rally weekend

### **6.5 Village Hall Report**

No meeting

### **6.6 Football Club Report**

The football club secretary came to the meeting to pay the electricity bills that were owed from the past year, the Clerk will send them a receipt for this. The chair asked the football club to let the Council know what their future fixtures are and if they are at home or away.

### **6.7 District Councillors Report**

Not at meeting

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## 6.8 County Councillors Report

County Councillor Fabian Eagle reported that Norfolk County Council is one of the largest Councils in the UK and they have one of the most efficient fire services and he is concerned that some of the small fires stations are going to go to emergency response and there will be 4x4's in these stations. With regards to savings the bus subsidies cost £11 million pounds last year and the government gave just £7 million pounds towards this, bus passes are being given out but there are no bus services, he advised that Parish Councils put pressure on our local MP's regarding the lack of bus services.

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

None.

### 8. FINANCE

#### 8.1 To Agree and Sign the Payments for July/August Invoices

The following payments were authorised on Thursday the 16th August 2018 the cheques were signed by Cllrs M. Burlingham and M. Lister. This was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Buxton and all agreed.

**Balance for August 2018** **£29,610.27**

#### Minus the following direct debits

E-On Street Lights	£535.09
E-On Street Lights Parrots Piece	£10.66
Viridor Waste Collection	£46.85
Mr J Reay Salary Paid by SO	£200.00

**Total Direct Debits** **£792.60**

#### Plus the following receipts

VAT	£1,651.52
Bowls Club	£18.75

**Total Income** **£1,670.27**

**Total after Direct Debits and Income** **£30,487.94**

Cheques	Description	Total
400206	Mrs P Angus - Salary £492.77/Office Allowance £25.00/ Phone £5.00/ 24 Litter Pickers £158.99	£681.76
400207	Mr J Reay - Salary £493.63 (£200 paid by SO see above)/ Mileage £22.50	£516.13
400208	Fengate Fasteners - Village Maintenance Supplies	£18.37
400209	Chase Timber Products - /village Maintenance Supplies	£41.29
400210	Terry Hawkins - Web Maintenance - 3 months	£90.00
400211	Viking Stationers - Black Sacks for dog and litterbins	£33.92
400212	E-On - Football Club electricity	£13.32
400213	Westcotec - Street Light Maintenance	£194.08
400214	Void Cheque	£0.00
400215	Weeting Village Hall - Hall Hire	£18.75
400216	SLCC Subscription	£177.00
400217	PFK Littlejohn LLP	£360.00
<b>Total Cheques paid</b>		<b>£2,144.62</b>
<b>Balance in Community Account September 2018</b>		<b>£28,343.32</b>
<b>Balance in Savings Account</b>		<b>£0.00</b>
<b>(£2,000 ringfenced for play area maintenance and £996.50 for outdoor play projects)</b>		

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**9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**3PL/2018/0580/O** demolish light industrial units and erection of 13 dwellings

The Old Station Yard Mundford Road Weeting dated 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018

The chair said that the land contamination report was very sparse and that the land had been used for coating on fence posts and that has been referred back to the applicant – it is in the wrong location

**Planning withdrawn**

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

The Chair mentioned that the Brandon Signal box would cost a £100,000 to take it down and move it.

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 8.07pm

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