

**Minutes of the Weeting with Broomhill Ordinary Parish Council  
Meeting  
Held remotely by Zoom  
on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

**PRESENT:**

Councillors: M. Nairn Chairman, S. O'Donnell, S. Nairn, J. Prosser, M. Lister, T. Childerhouse, C. Drewry, S. O'Donnell and District Cllr S. Chapman-Allan (Joined the meeting for a short while) and Mrs P. Angus Clerk to the Council.  
There were 0 members of the public.

**1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE**

District Councillor R. Kybird, County Councillor F. Eagle and Councillor M. Burlingham.

**2. STANDING ORDERS**

All agreed in favour of the updated Standing Orders to comply with holding remote meetings. It was also agreed by all that during the current situation the Parish Council would set up an account with Zoom at a cost of £11.99 a month.

**3. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES for 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020 were agreed and accepted by all that were present as a true record of that meeting,

**4. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES for 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held remotely by zoom on the 28th May 2020 were agreed and accepted by all that were present as a true and record of that meeting.

**5. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

**7. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Both not at the meeting (Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen joined the meeting for a short time see minute 7.1) The Chairman spoke on behalf of both Councillors saying that both had made reference to Holbrooks that is now in the hands of Norfolk County Council. The planning application for the Crematorium is coming up at the planning meeting on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June and the Chairman has elected to speak on behalf of the Parish Council.

**7.1 District Councillors Report**

District Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen joined the meeting at 7.15pm. He said a massive thank you to the Parish Council and all the volunteers, and that Weeting had shown inspirational true community leadership, and if all 150 Parishes across Breckland had stepped up to the plate in quick order that Weeting had done then it would have made Brecklands support to vulnerable residents a lot easier, and he knows that all Weeting residents really appreciated this help given at this time. He would welcome suggestions on how to continue this movement forward for the future and what would we need from Brecklands to do this.

With regard to Holbrooks, representatives have been visiting the residents near the site and the actions that Holbrooks said they would carry out at our last meeting have not been adhered to and this has been reported to NCC.

Cllr Chapman-Allen will be attending the planning meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June to speak at that meeting with regard to the planning application for the Crematorium.

Breckland have launched a second grant scheme available to traders that have been affected by the Covis-19 situation and he urged us to let those people know that this is available and to go on line and complete the form as the money is available.

**7.2 County Councillors Report**

Not at meeting apologies sent.

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**8. MATTERS ARISING**

**8.1 Outstanding Highway Matters**

None at the moment

**8.2 Playing Field/Open Spaces**

- Grass verges – possibility of replacing some cuts with wild flowers – Cllr Walmsley met with Wil Smith of TTSR back in March and two areas were looked at that would be suitable by the Bowling Green and the Village Hall entrance, (the Chair also suggested we get a price for the margins around the dog walk) however, since that meeting we went into lock down so an estimate has not been put forward, it was agreed that the Clerk ask for a quote for next year.
- Tree planting – it was agreed that in the first instance the Clerk would ask TTSR for a quote to plant 50 small native British trees.
- Benches on Parrotts Piece – It was agreed to replace the two memorial benches on Parrotts Piece that are rotting, these will be replaced with benches that are made from recycled plastic and are maintenance free, the original memorial plaques would be put on these benches once they are in place. The cost of the benches are £542.00 + VAT. It was also agreed that the families of the deceased that had donated the original benches would be asked if it was okay before the benches are ordered.
- Football Club – it was agreed that the resident that has put forward a proposal to use the football ground and changing rooms is accepted. The club would be responsible for paying their own water and electricity bills. Cllr Lister said that a resident had donated 1.5 tonne of topsoil to the club and she would ensure that they send a thank you to that person.
- Fit Club –it was agreed that the Fit Club can now come back to using the playing field for their class.
- Spare litterbin – it was agreed to put this by the dog bin by the Castle entrance
- Dog Walk – there are slippery areas and it was agreed that the handyman puts some bark down in this area.

**8.3 Weeting awards**

Two residents were nominated to receive a lapel pin to thank them for their help to the handyman whilst he was on holiday.

The Chairman suggested that we have some special lapel pins made to award to the community support volunteers once we are over the crisis. And also use the printer that supplied the PC with the free red cards for residents to put in their windows.

**8.4 VE Day arrangements – suspended due to Covid -19**

The Chairman suggested that the Parish Council hold an event for all Weeting residents once public gatherings are allowed and weather permits. Cllr O'Donnell said that the owner of the Saxon Pub and the DJ who had offered their services free of charge for the original planned VE celebrations are still willing to do this for a future event.

**8.5 Old litter-pics**

Northwold Parish Council have purchased 12 of the old litter-pics at a cost of £20.00.

It was agreed that the new equipment is kept in the Parish Council Store (these are currently in the Clerks garage) the Clerk will contact the handyman to arrange this.

**8.6 Bowls Club Rent**

It was agreed in April by email that the Bowls Club Rent would be suspended during the Covid – 19 Pandemic. This will be reviewed in October.

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**9. REPORTS**

**9.1 Chairman's Report**

The Chair said that he had heard that the planning application for the 450 houses is being reviewed and will be downscaled. The Volunteer Group is working very well and around 200 prescriptions runs have been completed and four food parcels have been given to those that needed it.

**9.2 Clerks Report**

The Clerks report are as on the monthly updates published in March, April and /May during the suspension of meetings.

**9.3 Handyman Report**

**February: -**

- Cut up tree wood and arranged this to be carried away
- Chain link fence – repaired hole
- March:
- Mother and Toddler Swing -nuts and bolts loose
- Hip Twister plate broken – removed and reported to the Clerk
- Cleared away laurel bush and tree that had been damaged by strong winds from playing field
- Football Goal – removed broken bracket and put into football hut
- Entrance to grass carpark and village hall – filled in holes with cement and chippings
- Fenced off playing field and shut dog walk due to lock down
- On the 26<sup>th</sup> March went into self-isolation

**12<sup>th</sup> May to the 14<sup>th</sup> June**

- Repaired netting and stock wire fencing
- Play Area – painted picnic benches and litterbins with wood treatment
- Dog Walk – cut hedge and overhanging branches
- Inspected two benches on Parrotts Piece and sent report to the Chair and Clerk
- Collect and fitted 2 locks to the football hut
- Playing field – removed posts and netting and stock wire fence, opened up the dog walk, fenced off the teen shelter, gym equipment, muga and chained up the senior swings
- Corvid Signs – fixed approximately 20 signs – 10 with plywood backing
- Teen Shelter – fixed stock fence wire on top half front and fixed plastic spike strip on top of decking fence at the back of shelter
- WPC store – rolled up stock wire and put in store and tidied store to make access easier
- Pathway – from entrance to playing field to All Saints – cut back hedges and part of trees to make access easier
- Cleared away fly tipping at bottle bank
- Football Hut – met with Cllr Lister new football manager to discuss what the WPC can help with
- Main Road verge opposite Lorry Park – cut back over hanging hedges to improve vision for pedestrians crossing the road from the entrance of playing field.

I would like thank Councillor Lister for her help whilst I was self-isolating and a big thankyou to her for changing bags in the dog bin.

**9.4 Street Lighting Officers Report**

Nothing to report.

**9.5 Bowls Club Report**

Work is being carried out on the green.

**9.6 Village Hall Report**

Deep cleaning is going to be carried out once it has been agreed who will be carrying out the cleaning.

**9.7 Football Club Report**

Showers have been repaired and changing rooms painted, the new football manager will be sending reports to the PC on their ongoing progress. They have quite a few players lined up and have won a competition for their own strip.

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**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

Parish Partnership scheme for 2021 – The Chair asked the Councillors to think what the Parish could use the Partnership scheme for next year – bids have to be in by 4<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

**11. FINANCE**

**11.1 To Sign the payments agreed by e-mail for the March, April and May 2020**

These were all signed by the Chairman at this meeting and details of these are available on the reports posted on the website during the suspension of the Parish Council Meetings

**11.2 To agree and sign the payments for June 2020**

The following payments were authorised on Thursday the 18th June 2020 at the PC meeting held remotely by Zoom the payments were signed by the Chair M. Nairn

<b>Balance for May 2020</b>	<b>£12,569.41</b>
<b>Minus the following direct debits</b>	
E-On Street Lights	£663.29
E-On Street Lights Parrots Piece	£12.55
Viridor Waste	£40.83
<b>Total Direct Debits</b>	<b>£716.67</b>
<b>Plus, the following receipts</b>	
Recycling payment	£2,075.12
Village hall	£1.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£2,076.12</b>
<b>Total after Direct Debits and Income</b>	<b>£13,928.86</b>

<b>Cheques/Bacs</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Total</b>
61744363	Clerks salary and expenses	£551.49
61744462	Handyman salary and expenses	£370.78
61744552	Westcotec - street light maintenance	£194.08
61744593	Fengate Fasteners - village maintenance	£19.14
61744618	Fengate Fasteners - village maintenance	£14.36
61744649	Fengate Fasteners - village maintenance	£11.99
61744677	Fengate Fasteners - village maintenance	£35.40
<b>Total Cheques / BACS paid</b>		<b>£1,197.24</b>
<b>Balance in Community Account June 2020</b>		<b>£12,731.62</b>
<b>Balance in Savings Account</b>		<b>£12,053.37</b>
<b>Total in Parish Accounts</b>		<b>£24,784.99</b>

**12. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**3PL/2019/0189 Land at Brandon Road dated 18/3/19**

Crematorium with Memorial Gardens and Car Park

Parish Council Object-comments on Planning website raised by Parish Council/

Deferred from the 28th October for further consultation.

This application is now on the Agenda for the Breckland District Council Planning Committee due to be held at 1pm on the 22nd June 2020 by Zoom. *(Since this meeting the application has been refused)*

**3DM/2019/0003/DEM Brandon Rail Station dated 8/4/19**

Main building demolition

No prior approval 5 objections and 2 No objections from the Parish Council

Various groups are still trying to stop the demolition.

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**3PL/2019/0678 Mill Farm IP27 OPT dated 10/6/19**

Up to 450 dwellings

The following update received from Planning on 26/3/20 The applicants are continuing to prepare revisions to the application and accompanying assessments and reports to go alongside a revised scheme. Whilst nearly complete the current circumstances surrounding COVID 19 have had an impact on completing the necessary surveys so it has been agreed to extend the time limit of the application further until the end of June. A full re-consultation will take place when all the necessary information is received.

**3PL/2020/0332/A Breckland Garage, Lynn Road dated 2/4/2020 Retrospective Planning**

Application

2 x Hoarding Boards (Externally Illuminated)

No objections but the PC made the following comments.

- Why does this business need Two signs? Could this encourage other businesses in this area to erect two or more signs each in which the whole verge would be taken up with signs.
- Sign B is far too big – it obstructs the sign that has the price of the petrol behind it and also drivers line of vision is obstructed when pulling out of Hereward Way.

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

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 8.15pm

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