

**Minutes of the Weeting with Broomhill Ordinary Parish Council
Meeting
Held in Weeting Village Hall
on Thursday 17th October 2024**

PRESENT: Councillors: M. Nairn - Chairman, T. Childerhouse -Vice Chair, M. Lister, S. Nairn, P. Nordan, C. Wilkins, B. Smith, I. Childerhouse and County Cllr Fabian Eagle and Mrs P. Angus – Clerk to the Council.

There were 0 members of the public.

1. WELCOME

2. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

District Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen, District Cllr R. Kybird and Parish Cllr R. Read

3. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on the 19th September 2024 were accepted by all who were in attendance as a true record of that meeting, a copy of minutes will be posted on the notice board and the Parish Council website.

4. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None at meeting

6. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

6.1 District Councillors Report

Cllr R. Kybird - not at meeting – apologies sent. The following report was emailed to the Council:- Following the recent Town and Parish meetings I think it is important to report on the progress of the local plan. Cabinet decided to pause progress until the revised national planning policy framework (NPPF) is at least published. This would otherwise have the effect of duplicate or abortive work. In addition, the Government has imposed a substantial increase in housing targets for the District. Advice is being sought as to the necessity or otherwise of potentially having to re-run the “call for sites” It must however be assumed that communities generally will have an increased housing allocation.

The other matter of concern for Norfolk generally is large scale solar farm applications, which, on our current understanding will be determined by Central Government.

6.2 County Councillors Report

Cllr F. Eagle gave the following report -Finance- NCC have £750,000 has been allocated to help people that are just above the pension credit allowance and they will be entitled to a one of payment of up to £120.

There are some huge budget savings still need to be made.

Last week the Governor of Ukraine and members of his staff visited the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital for help and advice on some treatments available.

He was not able to get the extension to the 30mph speed limit as requested by the Parish Council.

With regard to the loss of the Schools Lollipop man it is really down to the Parish Council, *at this stage Cllr Nordan gave a report from the meeting he attended at the school to discuss this matter see item 7.4 for full report.*

The Chair asked if it would be possible to have a Pelican Crossing installed, Cllr Eagle said he will look at the cost and maybe this could come under the Parish Partnership scheme for next year.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Outstanding Highway Matters – to discuss any outstanding issues and to report any new issues

- a) Extension of 30 mph Speed Limit on Lynn Road – e-mail sent to District Cllr F Eagle asking for assistance, he has replied and spoke about this during his report, he suggested that we get Highways to come to site and this has since been arranged for the 24th October.
- b) Trod Funding from Breckland – update on application to *Breckland Council Inspiring Communities* for £5,000 – still waiting to hear back from Breckland.
- c) Park View - Kerbing around the bus shelter that needs replacing – this has been done.
- d) Peppers Close - Residents have asked if anything can be done about the bushes that are coming through the fence into their gardens – to be discussed with Highways during their visit to Weeting on 24th October.

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- e) Request for Highways to come to Weeting – Luke Denney will be coming to Weeting on 24th October.
- f) To discuss any other Highway matters that have arisen since the publication of the agenda Road Sign for Park View needs replacing, also sign for Brandon Road opposite Peppers close -Clerk will report this to Breckland.

7.2 Playing Field/Open Spaces/ Amenities

- a) Chain Link fence on Playing Field Boundary – following a discussion it was agreed that the Chain Link fencing can be replaced with a more cost-effective wire fencing, Cllr I Childerhouse has agreed to sort this out.
- b) Dog walk fence repairs – Update on progress of repairs – The Clerk has chased TTSR and is still waiting for them to come back to her with a date.
- c) Defibrillator Phone Box – Update on repair to broken glass – Cllr Lister and her husband have put in a replacement Perspex panel.
- d) Fence alongside the carpark – Update on progress of installation of new fence – TTSR have been chased for a date when this is going to be sorted.
- e) Repairs to Play Equipment – Estimated to be carried out by the end of November.
- f) Orchard Trees for Village Hall Drive – Funding has been awarded and Cllr T Childerhouse will be purchasing the trees very soon.
- g) Electric Car Charging Points – it was agreed to put this on hold.
- h) To discuss any other Playing Field/Open Spaces matters that have arisen since the agenda was issue. None

7.3 Friends of Brandon Station – To discuss the way forward

Cllr T. Childerhouse will be attending the next meeting.

7.4 Lollipop Man – update if any for a replacement following the retirement of our existing Lollipop Man

Cllr Nordan attended the meeting at the school and he sent through the following report from that meeting.

School Crossing Control Management meeting dated 11th October 2025 at 14:00.

- The meeting was hosted by Dr. Jacqui Hardie (Headteacher) Weeting Primary School
- Charlotte Hayter from Norfolk Fire & Rescue – School Crossing Patrol Manager
- Mrs. Childerhouse who represented as a parent
- Myself on behalf of the WPC.

The school have received comments from parents regarding the possible of withdrawal of funding for the crossing patrol due to retirement of Tony who has undertaken the duty for many years. There is limited funding available to Ms. Hayter and she has to determine where the funds are allocated to the neediest crossings. It is measured on a scaling system:-

Child 1 Point
Car 1 point
HGV 5 points
Cycles 0.5 point

And so on ----- under 4 million means likely withdrawal – Weeting so far is 2 million so the odds are stacked up against us.

A survey is being carried out regarding the viability of continuation of the service provided. We are currently one month in over a three-month period monitoring how many children use the crossing.

Cons:

- Children under the age of 11 do not count which is a major issue for the school.
- Fewer children are using the crossing
- No dedicated car park for the school
- The road near the school is very hazardous due to bends and dangerous for the children
- Parents use the Bowls club to park but fail to walk to the crossing patrol and chance it on their own as they approach All Saints Rd.
- Many parents park on All Saints Rd. hence don't use the crossing

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- Walking up the Brandon strait is very dangerous for families with vehicles passing at 60 mph and above.

Pros:

- The 30-mph speed limit is going to be extended
- There is an increased Police presence in the Village because of the data supplied from the SAM2 recorder
- Dr. Hardie is going to encourage pupils to use the crossing more often – ‘or face losing it’
- Ms. Hayter thinks that if we lose the crossing patrol – we might be able to apply for automated flashing lights (same as the manual ones we already have but automated) to warn traffic passing the school zone. Again, this is speculation and there is little funding for anything
- Dr. Hardie would like to see a 20-mph imposed near the school.

I have tried to give you an update of the meeting which took place this afternoon and perhaps this should be an agenda item for our meeting next Thursday.

I presented a portfolio of information of the SAM2 sites and recordings for both Lynn Road and South Park in the hope this will give Ms. Hayter some valuable help in justifying the continuation of funding for the School Patrol Crossing to be continued.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Street Lighting report

Street light 97 in Glebe Road – faulty to be replaced with LED

Two LED lanterns on Shadwell Close have turned blue – Cllr Nordan will send over the numbers of the lights so that the Clerk can ask the Street Light maintenance team to take a look.

8.2 Sam 2

23rd August to the 23rd September

Position – Site 1 North facing - South Park Road

Total vehicle count for that period = 80,025

Vehicle count within the speed limit = 69,250

Total speeders = 10,775

Maximum speed recorded (30mph limit) = 55mph

8.3 Bowls Club – report and discussion for licence renewal

The Clerk has re-typed the revised licence renewal and Cllr Lister will be getting this signed at the next Bowls Club meeting.

8.4 Village Hall

Cllr Wilkins gave the following report:-

We have had the fire extinguishers serviced and the cameras are now fitted and working, but there will be one of the experts coming sometime soon to make sure certain persons on the committee know how to work the remote and get any play back. One extra camera will be fitted to make sure every part of the hall is covered as again vandals have smashed another window and the cameras failed to pick them up.

We have had some things going on in the hall this month with the barn dance organized by Peter and his wife Joanne and a good night it was too.

November is going to be very busy in the hall, as yet I do not have the information.

The Church is putting on a Quiz night, I am sure Peter has more info on that, also, the Football club is running an event. The Christmas Bazaar weekend is on schedule for 23rd and 24th November and hopefully lots of people will come and buy some great gifts that have been made here in the village.

Then, of course the WASPs will be doing their last few rehearsals ready for the show on the 6th and 7th December, tickets are on sale from me or Dee’s Delight’s in the High Street.

8.5 Weeting Village Life

In two weeks the request will go out for articles for the next WV.L.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – To report/note on any correspondence received by the Council

None outstanding

10. FINANCE

10.1 To agree and sign the payments for the October meeting invoices

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The following payments for Sept/Oct invoices were authorised on Thursday the 17th October 2024 the payments were signed off by the Chair

Balance for September (community account only)	£18,161.26
Plus, the following Receipts	
Bowls Club September and October	£37.50
Precept	£23,500.00
Total receipts	£23,537.50
Balance after this month's receipts	£41,698.76

Expenditure

Cheques/Bacs/DD	Description	Total
DD	N. Power - main street lights	£1,187.92
DD	E-On Parrotts	£25.77
BACS	WVL Delivery	£125.00
BACS	Clerks Salary and expenses	£631.18
BACS	PAYE 2nd qtr.	£446.20
BACS	Football Club electricity	£27.80
BACS	Hall Hire	£30.00
BACS	Village Hall grant for CCTV	£927.00
BACS	Bin Collection	£28.98
Total Cheques / BACS / DD paid		£3,429.85
Balance in Community Account October 2024		£38,268.91
Balance in savings account includes interest paid 4/10/24 @£87.74		£10,916.40
Total in Parish Accounts		£49,185.31

Restricted funds	
Remaining grant money to be used for orchard supplies	£22.45

10.2 Qtr. 2 expenditure against budget for the 2nd qtr. of the year (July to September) – update from the Clerk –

Quarter 2 – July to September 2024 report for Expenditure against Budget

Expenditure

Budget set for expenditure Quarter 2	£14636
Actual Expenditure for Quarter 2	£15133
Budget against Expenditure	-£497

Income for Q2

Budget	£1971
Actual income	£2957

Year to date the Parish Councils spending is within the budget set.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

NEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

3PL/2024/0506/HOU Amendment - 1 The Row

Single storey rear extension and internal alterations to Grade II listed building including the addition of new detached outbuilding to be used as office.

The Parish Council still object for the same reason as previously submitted:-

The Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons This will destroy the character of the Row The extension is too modern for this old listed building The drive will be on the property of Highways The Single storey detached building cannot be a permanent building

TO DISCUSS ANY OTHER APPLICATIONS ISSUED SINCE THE AGENDA WAS PUBLISHED

None

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APPLICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED

None

APPLICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN REFUSED

None

12. MEMBERS' MATTERS - items for next Agenda and date of next meeting

The next meeting will be 21st November in the Village Hall

Email from Cllr Rowena Read regarding steps to Church – can these be replaced by a ramp so that wheel chairs can have access.

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 20.08

Chairman: _____ Date: _____