

Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council

The minutes of Bredon Parish Council meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 2nd June 2014 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllr's Mrs Alison Palmer, Gail Whiting, Mr Stuart Bird, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Phil Handy, Mr Andy Norman, Mr Declan Shiels, Mr Rob Sly and Mr Andrew Woodward (Chairman).

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk).

1. Apologies For Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's Rhodes and Hardman (District and County).

2. Declaration of Interests.

Cllr's were reminded to update their Register of Interests with Wychavon.

Cllr Norman registered a DPI in relation to the application W/13/02545/PN - Land adjacent to, Gravel Pits Close, Bredon and an ODI in any other application connected with Coombs Developments (however neither were discussed).

Cllr Norman registered a DPI in relation to item 10, he gave the council the benefit of his knowledge, but did not take part in the discussion or decision.

Cllr Falvey registered an ODI in item 10.

Cllr Woodward registered a DPI in relation to the application at Benshams in item 4c, and left the room when it was discussed.

Cllr Darby registered an ODI (non-prejudicial) in relation to the application at Benshams in item 4c as his family owns land across the road from the site.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 12th May 2014.

The minutes having been previously circulated were agreed and signed as a true record.

4. Planning.

a) For Consideration.

- i. W/14/01025/PP - Mostyn House, Main Road, Bredon. Objection.

The extension does not comply with Wychavon's 'House Extensions Advice Note' Supplementary Planning Guidance. The extension is not visually subordinate to the original dwelling.

The Parish Council has no objection in principle to this extension, but would like to see improvements to the design bringing it in line with policy guidance.

- ii. W/14/00885/PP - Briar Cottage, Rectory Farm Lane, Bredons Norton. The council has no reason to object.
- iii. W/14/00965/PP - Lower End Cottage, Lower Lane, Bredons Norton. The council has no reason to object.
- iv. W/14/00981/PN - Building off, Oak Lane, Bredon. The council has no reason to object.
- v. W/14/00928/PP - The Olde Forge, Rectory Farm Lane, Bredon's Norton. Raise roof above ground floor front bedroom and continue a two storey extension of the kitchen to provide bedrooms and a bathroom. Objection. This is a sensitive site, within the Conservation Area and opposite Grade II Listed Fuchsia Cottage.

The extension does not comply with Wychavon's 'House Extensions Advice Note' Supplementary Planning Guidance. The east-west extension is not visually subordinate to the original dwelling. In particular, the roof height of this section higher than that of the original building.

b) Decided By Wychavon.

Approved by Wychavon

W/14/00400/PP - Avonscroft, Dock Lane, Bredon.

W/13/01399/OU - Land off, Oak Lane, Bredon.

W/13/02553/PP - 1 Orchard Close, Bredon.

W/14/00652/PN - Folley Cottage, Bredons Hardwick Lane, Bredons Hardwick

c) Update On Developments In Bredon.

W/13/02148 Land of Tewkesbury Road will be going to Wychavon Planning Committee on the 19th June. It was agreed that Cllrs Palmer and Darby would prepare and deliver the Council's spoken objection at the Planning Committee based on its previous written objections. They would coordinate with the Residents Group who will be nominating other speakers.

W/136/01150 Land off Cheltenham Road the appeal hearing will be held on the 30th July. A number of parishioners and other interested parties, including Bredon Parish Council, had not received notification from the Local Authority that written responses should have been submitted before 30th May. The planning inspectorate has agreed that this date will be extended to the 13th June. Cllr Darby to draft the council's response for circulation and agreement.

5. Finances.

a) Invoices To Be Paid.

The following cheques were agreed for payment:-

P.C. Clearway £3,319.25, Wychavon £89.17, M Farey £95.00, Lengthsman £323.00, Greenworks £1,080.00. Only part of the GBD invoices £653.43.

V. H. C W Hygiene £34.37, A Snow (PAT) £36.40, RPK £473.94, Abacus £120.00.
J Lomasney £360.49.

b) Financial Report.

Financial report was presented to the council.

c) Insurance Valuation.

The valuation has meant that the council needs to increase the buildings Insurance, the council agreed to pay the £1,904.08 increase and to E mail all the clubs and invite them to the July Meeting.

6. Correspondence For Information.

The council agreed for the Hancocks Trust to place notices in the Bus shelters advertising the bursary.

Clerk to respond to the E mail regarding the Little Meadow Campsite – They should contact Highways regarding the road and Wychavon regarding planning permission.

No one was available to attend the AGM of the Avon navigation Trust.

7. To Agree The Accounts For 2013-2014.

After a long discussion the council agreed the accounts, on the condition that the Finance Group, go through the figures in details, then the Chairman can sign the Audit Form.

The accounts for 2014/2015 will be presented to the council after the Finance Group has agreed the accounts and will provide a basic overview for the councillors.

8. To Discuss Maintenance And Signing Of Bredon Playing Field.

The council agreed the Terms of Reference for BCPR

The council after taking advice from, the Parks Officer at Wychavon, Mr R Wheway Director of Children's Play Advisory Service (who had carried out an inspection of the Play on the 14th April), the manufacturers and CALC, agreed that the incident involving an 18th month old on play equipment was an accident. The incident has prompted the CPAS and the council (via the parish magazine, to make parents aware of the heat emanating from play equipment in the hot weather.

9. To Discuss Wheelchair Access to Village Hall.

Deferred.

10. To Discuss Playing Field Surfaces.

Cllr Norman informed the council of a grant available, for an inspection of the playing field to improve the playing surface. The council agreed for the sports clubs to pursue this.

11. To Discuss Liaison with Sports clubs.

All clubs will be invited to attend parish councils meetings quarterly.

12. To Ratify Decision On Running Photographic Competition.

The Council agreed to run photographic Competition over the summer. Entrants are asked to submit any photographs showing life or scenes of Bredon Parish. They will be divided into two age groups: Juniors (Under 14), and 15 upwards with a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize in each age group. 1st Prize = £50, 2nd = £30 and 3rd = £20. The closing date for entries is 31st August.

Alongside the competition, the council would like to form an archive of historic photographs of the Parish.

13. Progress Reports For Information.

- a) Clerk.
- b) Grass Cutting.
The council will retender for next year.
- c) Bredon Village Hall.
 - Cllr Bird will carry out banking procedures on the 9th June with the clerk.
 - The chairman and Cllr Bird will carry out banking procedures on the 16th June.
 - The projector in the Chandler Room is broken Cllr Falvey to investigate a replacement.
- d) Bredons Norton Village Hall.
- e) County and District Councillor.
 - Footway Work - I am expecting some footway works to commence this week along by the allotments on the Kemerton Road to repair some of the damage to the footpaths there.
 - Roads – I have had a conversation with the Highways Department over the idea of cutting back the bush and scrub on the Bredon to Eckington road and they are absolutely calm about this as I thought that they would be and would leave the width you want to cut back to yourselves and basically press on with it.
 - Planning - Slightly grimmer news is that the Gladman's application will definitely be coming to the next Planning Committee. This is targeted for the 19th June and I have organised a meeting with the Planning Officer the week before to talk through any issues. Because I am still somewhat puzzled as to what matter the District Council sought QC's advice on but currently as it stands the application will be for approval although this is obviously still somewhat in the balance. I will therefore be going out

to argue for refusal but I would draw your attention to the fact that Worcestershire Regulatory Services has not responded as yet to our noise report and the applicant is still refusing to make Highway contributions. So there is a possibility that it might well slip another month due to the applicant's intransience or Worcestershire Regulatory Services slowness to respond. Here's hoping!

- 540 Bus - Just to confirm the report concerning the 540 is due at Cabinet in a week's time and it concludes the bus service review and the recommendation contained in that review in Appendix A is as I outlined to the Parish Council previously in that there will be no changes to the frequency of the service but it will terminate now in Tewkesbury rather than run all the way through. I regard this as being a fair result and I am somewhat relieved having seen that the Parish Council block in the Parish Magazine means that it is indeed now saved.
- f) New Homes Bonus.
 - To date one request had been received.
 - Cllr Norman to investigate whether a projector for the hall could be included.
 - The original plans for the dock drawn up in 1980 had been discovered, the council agreed to modify its plans for the removal of the retaining wall to repair of the retaining wall – Cllr Rhodes to progress.
- g) Leases.
 - Tennis club – awaiting response from the solicitor.
 - Football Club – awaiting response form the club.
- h) Cherry Tree Play Area.
Flyers to be circulated to houses around the play area.
- i) Parish Magazine.
Play equipment in hot weather, planning and New Homes Bonus.

14. Councillors Reports And Items For Future Agenda.

The drain in the Jubilee car park is blocked; Clerk to arrange to have it cleared.

Clerk to investigate quotes for the tree blocking visibility in Kinsham to be cut back.

Greenery in Eckington Road to be cut back.

15. Date Of Next Meeting.

7th July 2014.

Cllrs Norman and Woodward gave their apologies.