

BRETFORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on
Monday 14th September 2015.
At the Memorial Hall, Bretforton.

PRESENT:

Cllr K Wright	District Councillor
Cllr R Davis	Chairman
Cllr K Carter	
Cllr A Grant	
Cllr J Cleveland	Vice-Chairman
Cllr Alistair Adams	
Cllr J Johnson	

APOLOGIES;

Cllr P Lisney

OPEN FORUM:

- West Midlands Ambulance Service attended to provide information regarding defibrillator and supply a machine. A cabinet and light will need to be organised together with a suitable location. Training can be given to any residents who would feel more confident in using machine should they need to. Advertise in magazine and obtain costings for cabinet etc. Defib talks through the process and is linked to WMAS.
- A resident attended to listen to PC meeting.

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County Council:

- PACT meeting- Introduction of new PC, Jamie Lee who has already carried out speed checks in hotspot areas around villages.
- Spraying course has been arranged with other villages for lengthsman to attend.
- Footpaths along Weston Road are to be repaired following a site visit in summer with Cllr Adams, a local resident, Highways and PC. Other areas can be cleared back by lengthsman with the use of spraying.

District Council:

- **Local areas have had issues with flytipping- New cameras will shortly be used to address this issue.**

MINUTES:

Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th July 2015 were circulated, approved and signed.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST;

Cllr J Cleveland-Bretforton Memorial Hall-Neighbour.

OPEN FORUM ITEMS.

- Bretforton Social Club.

PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION.

Clerk;

- Declaration of acceptance of office was signed by Alan Curry and witnessed by Clerk.
- Up to date contact details were handed out to all councillors.

Chairman;

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

1. **Allotments-** Cllr Grant raised the idea of compulsory purchase of land as one solution for finding land and purchasing it for allotments and possibly other village facilities that could be housed in one place. Cllr Wright agreed to find out landowners details on land on Honeybourne Rd/New Street for next meeting.
2. **Bretforton Community Club-** Various ideas have been circulated around the village as possible solutions to assist social club as well as looking at a new village hall and location. It was agreed that Cllr Grant would be involved in steering group as PC representative and report back to PC. It was agreed that any future plans for village hall would be PC responsibility as hall is currently under umbrella of PC.
3. **Welcome Pack-** Clerk has completed facts for pack and Cllr Grant has formatted and added information. Cllr Wright is to submit history section before next meeting. Cllr Grant will draw it all together as A5 for next meeting.
4. **Gated Access-** It was unanimously agreed that due to cost of gates (£2000 per set) and that Highways have not got sufficient data to support their effectiveness that the PC would not proceed with this proposal.
5. **Bulb Planting-** It was unanimously agreed that Cllr Wright would source bulbs for planting in key sites around the village. Cllr Grant and Cllr Carter agreed to organise a working party to plant the bulbs as well as to decide on locations.
6. **New Street-i. Hedge-** It was unanimously agreed that Clerk should contact Worcs CC to request that New Street hedge be re-instated.
 - ii. Wall-** Concern has again been expressed by a resident about the leaning wall on New Street opposite Honeybourne Road. Heritage and Wychavon are not concerned about the wall which since last inspected has remained the same. The landowner is aware of the wall and concerns and has re-pointed the wall in places as well as monitoring the situation.
7. **Memorial Hall-** Quote to be sought for next meeting.
8. **Assessment of Village Road and footpaths-** Next agenda.
9. **To consider a request for funding for funding of Bretforton Junior Cricket team-** A request has been received for a donation of £300 to assist in the purchase of kit for new junior team. Cllr Wright proposed, seconded by Cllr Cleveland with a unanimous vote in favour to make the donation.
10. **Play area bins-** Wychavon are to assess bins, size of bin and frequency of emptying on 15th September 2015. Next agenda.
11. **Sports Club- i. Fireworks display-** A donation of £500 to pay for firework display was considered. Cllr Grant proposed, seconded by Cllr Johnson not to make a donation with 3 votes in favour and 3 abstentions.
 - ii. Car park-** Concerns have again been raised about state of car park and drain with photos circulated for Cllr consideration. Cllr Wright also produced photos as at 14th Sept 2015 showing the drain blocked and gateway flooded. It was unanimously agreed

that car park surface was not as expected and that PC wish for alternatives to be proposed. It was agreed that a site visit should be arranged with contractor to highlight areas of concern and consider contractor's solutions. Drain will require clearing and lifting and work on channel to improve entrance.

12. **Council minutes-** A request has been received to publish minutes on all noticeboards not just at Bretforton School. After clarification with CALC, Clerk confirmed that the PC complies with its 'model publication scheme' and that there is no requirement to display on noticeboard. This is only done for the benefit of residents without internet access. Chair will respond to 2nd part of email concerning grave 600. Cllrs had no further comments to make on this matter.
13. **Section 106 monies-i. Play area** – Site visit is to be carried out on 22nd September 2015 with Play & leisure following the confirmation that s106 funds have been released for play. Wychavon have suggested modifications which will be discussed at meeting. Next agenda
 - ii. **Public arts & culture-**Proposal have been discussed to consider *Bretfest* as s106 project for next year. Wychavon have agreed in principle so information needs to be submitted for consideration. Next agenda.
14. **Footpath Warden Scheme-** A warden has been appointed by Worcs CC to cover several villages. The village volunteer can work alongside if PC requires. It was unanimously agreed that PC wish their own warden who will be solely responsible for Bretforton footpaths and not spread too thinly. Clerk to contact Worcs CC.

Wychavon District Council.

1. **Flood alleviation support grant scheme-** Not relevant to Bretforton.
2. **NHB Allocations-** Funding is too small at this time to spread across village projects. Advise that will be allocated when more funds are released.

Worcestershire County Council.

CALC

- 1- **LTN56-** The provision of play & sports equipment on village greens was noted.

PLANNING - APPLICATIONS:

Parish Council comments recorded on Planning Register

Land at Station Road, Bretforton.

Conversion of agricultural barn into 3 dwellings.

REFUSED:

APPROVAL:

Mr & Mrs Wood, 62 Station Road, Bretforton.

Erection of a single storey and two-storey extension and associated internal alterations.

APPEAL:

WITHDRAWN;

- **OTHER ITEMS**

- **ENFORCEMENT-**

CORRESPONDENCE For Information.

11.08.15	Landscape Inc	BG maintenance	1878	70	0	70
11.08.15	Eon Uk Ltd	Street Light repairs	1879	201.5	40.3	241.8
11.08.15	Wychavon Sport	Parish Games	1880	69	0	69
11.08.15	M Parkinson	Lengthsman	1881	70	0	70
11.08.15	M Parkinson	Mowing	1882	274	0	274
11.08.15	PWLB	Interest payment	d/d	844.13	0	844.13
TOTAL						£2408.13

Payments to be made				Sep-15	NET	VAT	GROSS
Date	Name	Product	Chq				
19.08.15	Bretfest	Donation	BACS	550		0	550
20.08.15	NPower	Electricity	d/d	757.44		0	757.44
14.09.15	A Evans	Salary	BACS	254.4		0	254.4
14.09.15	HMRC	Tax & NI	1883	63.6		0	63.6
14.09.15	Wychavon DC	Bins contract	1884	291.71	58.34		350.05
14.09.15	Limebridge Rural	Grass cutting	1885	470	94		564
14.09.15	Bretforton PCC	Magazine ad	1886	36	0		36
14.09.15	M Parkinson	Mowing	1887	508	0		508
14.09.15	M Parkinson	Lengthsman duties	1888	90	0		90
14.09.15	Bretf jun cricket	donation	1889	300	0		300
TOTAL							3473.49

Invoices and payments approved for settlement. Proposed by Cllr Johnson. Seconded by Cllr Wright.
All in favour. Meeting closed at 9.42pm.

Date of the next meeting; 12th October 2015.

Signed:

Date: