# **BRETFORTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017. At the Memorial Hall, Bretforton.

#### PRESENT:

Cllr R Davis Chairman
Cllr J Cleveland Vice-Chairman
Cllr K Wright District Councillor

Cllr K Carter Cllr G Collins Cllr N Smith

Cllr A Adams County Councillor

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Cllr A Curry Cllr A Grant

# **OPEN FORUM:**

1 resident attended to report:

- Street light no. 9, Back Lane as not working.
- Ditch along Back Lane requires clearing.
- Verge along Back Lane requires cutting.

# PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

# **County Council:**

See attached report.

# **District Council:**

- Planning enforcement no. 0526 is in place regarding 65 Weston Road.
- New affordability of houses, Wychavon are more affordable, 9.2x average wage, average houses are £262k.

# **MINUTES:**

Minutes of the Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 were circulated. Proposed by Cllr Collins, Seconded by Cllr Wright. All in favour to accept the minutes.

# **OPEN FORUM ITEMS:**

- Silver Band bench-Work will be carried out on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017.
- Allotments- Residents have secured a plot.

# **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

None.

#### PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION.

# Clerk;

• Outstanding balance of PWLB is £6707.20

# Chairman;

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

- 1. Allotment Land To provide an update on progress from sub-committee.
  - o No response received regarding planning with regard to gates.
  - o Ringway verge crossing request has been submitted for approval.
  - O Severn Trent, awaiting further site visit to connect meter.
  - o Spraying has not been done, advise M Parkinson that work must be carried out in next two weeks.
  - Sub-Committee meeting will be arranged before next PC meeting.
- 2. Village Marker- Planning application has been approved. Request an update on model/design from Cllr Grant for next meeting.
- 3. To consider work on strip of verge outside cottages on New Street- Cllr Smith proposed with a unanimous vote in favour to request that the work be carried out by Andy Tyrrell when he is booked in in October. This should be just enough time to plant grass seed and for it to germinate.
- 4. NHB- To further consider uses for allocation both held and due in future years. Projects are to be considered by cllrs for next meeting. This could form part of another larger project or stand alone. A village store has been suggested which may be considered under this scheme. No progress has been made by working party about the greening of the village which includes village gates, planters and benches.
- 5. To consider the provision of Smartwater. It was agreed to observe the success of the scheme in Badsey before giving further consideration.
- 6. Neighbourhood Plan- It was agreed that a sample of NPD's be looked at in order to consider whether this was a project that the PC should consider. As part of looking at what the village residents want, Cllr Smith asked that the provision of an energy facility for the benefit of the village be considered at the next meeting.

# **Wychavon District Council.**

1. To consider nominations for The Chairman's Diamond Jubilee Community Recognition Award 2017/18- Nominations were received for Bretforton Silver Band and John Thornton. Cllrs Davis and Cleveland agreed to arrange for the information to be written in relation to Bretforton Silver Band. Clerk will contact Spen Mitchell with regard to writing a piece in relation to John Thornton. Both will be considered at the next meeting.

Worcestershire County Council.

#### PLANNING - APPLICATIONS:

# Parish Council comments recorded on Planning Register

#### **REFUSED:**

# **APPROVAL:**

# At Station Road And, Coldicotts Lane, Bretforton

Erection of a village marker post (revised siting)

# Field Adjacent To, Holly Close, Bretforton

Development of 48 dwellings, open space and associated infrastructure as approved under permission reference number W/13/01038/PN but without compliance with condition number 19 (to amend list of approved plans and change layout to serve replacement of foot/cycle path link along Western boundary with further soft landscaping.

# 4 Clayfield Road, Bretforton.

Demolition of garage and construction of two storey side extension

#### APPEAL:

# WITHDRAWN;

- OTHER ITEMS
- ENFORCEMENT-

# **CORRESPONDENCE** For Information.

#### **Publications**

**CLERKS REPORT on Urgent Decisions Since Last Meeting.** 

# COUNCILLORS REPORTS & ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA.

- Village Store
- Energy facility.

Lloyds Bank Current Account

- 40mph signs on Weston Road damaged.
- Village sign on Station Road damaged.
- 30mph sign on Honeybourne Road damaged.
- Sunken manhole cover outside 30 Weston Road.

#### **FINANCE:**

# **Bank Account Reconciled Statement**

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Statemen	nt Number	7			
Statemen	nt Opening Balar	ce £13,935.84	Opening Date	30/08/17	
Statemen	nt Closing Baland	£9,165.20	Closing Date	01/10/17	
True Clos	sing Balance	£9,165.20			
Date	Cheque/ Ref.	Supplier/ Customer	Debit (£)	Credit (£)	Balance (£)
01/09/17	BACS170901BSC	Bretforton Sports Club	0.00	67.00	14,002.84
01/09/17 04/09/17	BACS170901BSC Transfer	Bretforton Sports Club	0.00 7,868.00	67.00 0.00	14,002.84 6,134.84
		Bretforton Sports Club  Andrea Evans			•

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11/09/17	BACS170911WCC	Worcestershire County Council	0.00	15.00	5,731.01
18/09/17	002103	Maurice Parkinson	555.00	0.00	5,176.01
18/09/17	002104	Maurice Parkinson	100.00	0.00	5,076.01
18/09/17	002108	Grant Thornton	240.00	0.00	4,836.01
19/09/17	002098	HMRC	104.60	0.00	4,731.41
20/09/17	002099	Andy Tyrrell	204.00	0.00	4,527.41
20/09/17	002100	Andy Tyrrell	87.00	0.00	4,440.41
21/09/17	002101	Limebridge Rural Services	294.00	0.00	4,146.41
21/09/17	002102	Limebridge Rural Services	294.00	0.00	3,852.41
22/09/17	0020106	Wychavon DC	97.00	0.00	3,755.41
22/09/17	002105	Phil Moxon	89.21	0.00	3,666.20
28/09/17	BACS170928WDC	Wychavon DC	0.00	15,499.00	19,165.20
01/10/17	Transfer		10,000.00	0.00	9,165.20

# Bretforton Parish Council Expenditure transactions - approval list

Start of

year 01/04/11						
Tn no	Cheque	Gross	Heading	Invoice date	Details	Cheque
86	002109	£90.00	21400	09/10/17	EdgeIT - Band Increase	£90.00
87	002110	£94.99	21100	09/10/17	Phil Moxon - Rec inspection and defib	£94.99
88	002111	£100.00	20500	09/10/17	Glo-Electrics - Defib fitting	£100.00
89	002112	£28.00	21400	09/10/17	Bretforton PCC – Magazine	£28.00
90	002113	£35.00	21200	09/10/17	Landscape Inc BG maintenance	£35.00
91	002114	£134.00	20500	09/10/17	Andy Tyrrell - Install signs	£134.00
92	002115	£70.00	21200	09/10/17	Landscape Inc BG maintenance	£70.00
94	002116	£135.00	20100/2	09/10/17	Maurice Parkinson – Mowing	£555.00
95	002117	£105.00	21300	09/10/17	Maurice Parkinson – Lengthsman	£105.00
99	002119	£294.00	20100/2	09/10/17	Limebridge Rural Services – mowing	£294.00
100	002120	£700.00		09/10/17	Ancient Oaks - Tree felling	£700.00
1		£550.00	20500			
2		£150.00	21200			
		£3,486.86			Confidential	
Total		£2,884.52				

Invoices and payments approved for settlement including account balances and payments. Proposed by Cllr Smith. Seconded by Cllr Cleveland. All in favour. Meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Date of the next meeting; 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2017.				
Signed:	Date:			

**County Councillor Report- Bretforton** 

**Month: October 2017** 

**Prepared by Alastair Adams** 

**Littletons Division, Worcestershire County Council** 

#### **CCTV**

Wychavon District Council is kicking off a review of public-space CCTV, a service WDC provide in Broadway, Droitwich, Evesham and Pershore.

CCTV is monitored centrally at the main WDC Pershore offices and the system has been in operation since 1999. The aim of the service has always been to prevent crime, reduce the fear of crime and to assist in the apprehension and prosecution of offenders.

Footage is regularly requested by West Mercia Police to help with both investigations and active incidents, and over 800 such requests were made in 2016.

WDC have decided that after 18 years of operation the service is ready for a review, and members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee have been asked to look into the service further.

The review team is inviting those interested in giving their views to a session on 26 September, from 9am (for a 9.30am start) at the Civic Centre in Pershore. Here they will be asked to share their experiences to help the review team make its recommendations to Executive Board.

#### Low unemployment in Wychavon

The claimant count proportion in Wychavon is 0.9% of the 16-64 population, which is still the lowest across Worcestershire (Worcestershire 1.3%, West Midlands 2.4% and England 1.9%). The number of 18-24 year old claimants stands at 140 – a proportion of 1.8% of this particular group of the population (Worcestershire 2.2%, West Midlands 3.4% and England 2.7%). This figure is down 15 from the figure recorded 12 months ago.

#### Wychavon Well-Being Week - 9 to 15 October

Wychavon Wellbeing Week will take place from 9 to 15 October, and WDC are working with partners to put on a range of activities and events during the week aimed at residents that will be promoting the five ways to wellbeing during the week. See <a href="https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/activities-and-events">https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/activities-and-events</a>

# **Highways**

- **1. Pavements** the WCC is finalising which pavements in the area will be re-surfaced in 2017/18 and 2018/19. Highway engineers attended my Division on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept to inspect all pavements.
- 2. Mud on Bretforton Rd Vicarage Nurseries confirmed they have bought a road sweeper and will sweep this road more regularly. They also stated they are looking at a longer term solution installing some hard standing at the exit of the fields.
- 3. Blocked gullies 2 of the blocked gullies were cleared in August, but the one north of the shop entrance has some root problems and so requires more extensive work. Highways have referred this to Drain Jet Surveys and this work will be programmed in later this year.

As always, if you have any issues on any Highways matters, please report it on the WCC website <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report\_it">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report\_it</a> Also remember a photo of the Highways problem is as good as "a thousand words" so always take a photo where possible.

# **Speeding**

A speed survey by West Mercia Safer Rd Partnerships has been completed along Weston Rd Bretforton B4035, and the speeds recorded do not meet the criteria to warrant a mobile speed camera to be deployed. I have asked if this is the case, can a Community Speed Watch be set up instead. I am still awaiting a reply.

# Mobile Speed cameras in Station Rd, Honeybourne

Safer Road Partnerships agreed to put a mobile speed camera in Honeybourne at the end of August. By the middle of September 23 people have been caught speeding. So slow down through Honeybourne, or risk getting a speeding ticket!

# Two Fatal accidents along Buckle Street

As I am writing this, as the front page news of the Evesham Journal and Stratford Herald have news of 2 horrific car accidents on Buckle Street not far from the glider airfield. My thoughts are with the families and loved ones of the young men that lost their lives.

Buckle Street is a dangerous road with many junctions and house/farm entrances, and many folk do drive too fast when using it. I have been working to get a TRO for a 40mph speed limit through Ullington, but in the meantime please can I ask all drivers to slow down through Ullington; residents pulling out of their drives have reported terrifying stories of near misses. The Safer Road Partnership, the Police and the Highways Authorities are also carrying out various investigations currently along the length of this road. I will keep you informed.

# **Divisional Fund**

The divisional fund is now open for business again, and offering help in providing small grants to help community voluntary organisation. So if you need a grant to help the community, then please email me details of what you need.

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