

BREDON PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of Bredon Parish Council meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 9th February 2009 at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Cllr's, Mrs Whiting, Ms Allen, Mrs Wenham, Mr Hardy, Mr Brown (Chairman), Mr Rhodes, Mr Handy, Mr Frampton and Mr Jenkins and Mr Masters.

In Attendance Ms Shields (Clerk), Mr Dunn, Mrs Hartley, Mrs Donovan, Mrs Wallace and Cllr Hardman.

Mrs Wallace (Head teacher of Bredons Hancock's Endowed First School) addressed the councillors with the background behind the need for the fencing around the school.

Mr Dunn addressed the councillors and answered questions regarding Bredon Community Play and Recreation; the group want to create a space to be used by all ages and would like the support of the owners, the parish council.

PC Gary Shephard informed the council of the 'Crimemapper website' which enables one to put in a postcode and view crime activity. Bredons activity is up by 500% from 1 crime to 6!

1. Apologies for Absence.

Mrs Moy and Mr Darby

2. Declaration of Interests.

Non prejudicial

Mrs Wenham item 7b – School Governor.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On the 14th January 2009. The minutes were agreed as signed as a true record.

4. Correspondence For Information. (listed on Clerks report)

Clerk to contact

- British Gas with a copy to Wychavon and Worcs County council regarding gas leaks.
- Reply to Mr Jones regarding gas leaks.
- Reply C Mitchell regarding footway.
- Mr and Mrs Trigg regarding Dock lane.

5. Invoices To Be Paid.

Lengthsman £160.00 and N Power 66.72.

6. Progress Reports for Information.

a) Clerk.

b) Footpaths Officer.

Mr Onions and Mr Brown will be attending a footpaths meeting.

c) Playing Field Support Group.

- Mr Rhodes and Mr Handy had replaced the spindle to the roundabout.
- Mrs Wenham had ordered the sign for Cherry Tree play area.
- Mr Hardy had been on a course to enable him to inspect playground equipment.
- The council agreed for Mrs Whiting, Mr Masters and Mr Hardy to represent the council on the Bredon Community Play and Recreation.

d) Bredon Village Hall/ Working Party.

The Council agreed for the terms of the lease with the Village Hall Committee to remain in place with the addition of two items:

- The stage to be removed from its current position in the Chandler Room, to enable the Rugby Club to use this area as a club house. Some concern was raised with regard to the village hall being without a stage.
- The Council would be responsible for the fabric of the building.

e) Bredons Norton Village Hall.

f) Lengthsman.

The council agreed to increase the hourly rate of the Lengthsman to £11.00 per hour.

g) Clerks' Finance Working Group.

h) County and District Councillor.

Wychavon will be increasing the Precept by 2.5%, this will lead to cuts in some services, amongst which will be the annual litter pick grant and a reduction in the buy one get one free Dog Bins, Cllr Hardman is opposed to these cuts. Worcestershire County Council will be raising the Precept by 2.94%, having consulted on a 3.5% rise in view of the times, but is spending more on Adult services for the elderly, and launching a pavement renewal

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programme. Adrian also highlighted that the County Council is working with the Environment Agency in Flood Defence; this means the County will be able to achieve more with its limited budget.

i) Bredon Hill Conservation Group

7. Planning For Approval.

a) W/09/00082/PN Croft Farm Water Park, Tewkesbury Road, Bredon's Hardwick
Replacement of temporary climbing wall with a permanent climbing wall.
No objection.

b) W/09/00111/LB Bredons Hancock's Endowed First School, Church Street, Bredon.
Proposed erection of security fencing 1800mm high and gates.

In the interest of children's safety the Council agreed not to object. Mr Masters abstained.

Approval Notices

W/08/03205/PP 7 Blenheim Drive, Bredon. Conservatory.

W/08/03034/PP Tall Oaks, Westmancote. Two storey rear extension, porch and garage.

Porthenys, Chapel Lane, Kinsham, Tewkesbury, GL20 8HS Renewal of planning permission

W/03/02253/PP - demolition of detached single garage, replace by a two storey extension comprising double garage with dormer roof.

8. To Consider Grass Cutting Tenders.

Mrs Wenham proposed, Mr Jenkins seconded and it was agreed to award New Farms Grounds Maintenance the contract.

9. To Discuss The Website and Parish Plan.

- Mr Frampton will speak to Mr Verrechia about the website and report back to the Clerk. A messageboard was suggested as an addition to the current website.

- A working party was formed to evaluate, discuss and prepare a parish plan, consisting of Mr Rhodes, Mrs Wenham, Mr Masters and Mr Jenkins.

10. To Consider a Bus Shelter at the Bottom of St Giles Road.

Awaiting information from County Council.

11. To Discuss New Recycling System.

Item to be addressed after implementation of the new system.

12. To Discuss Gritting and Gritting Bins.

Existing bins to be mapped and further sites considered.

13. Presentation of Waste Core Management Response.

Mr Hardy gave an overview of the system which is very complex.

14. Items for Future Agenda.

15. Date of Next Meeting.

Monday 9th march.