

Minutes of Bredon Parish Council Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

Present: Cllr's Mrs Alison Palmer, Mrs Gail Whiting, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Allen Frampton, Mr Phil Handy (Chairman), Mr John Masters, Mr David Newcombe, Mr Andrew Rhodes, Mr Declan Shiels and Mr Rob Sly.

In Attendance Ms Shields (Clerk), Mr T Abraham, Mr David Meikle, Mr Michael Bromfield, two parishioners and Cllr Adrian Hardman (County and District).

Mr T Abrahams read out a letter from Mrs Abrahams, the owner of the smart car parked in Main Road Bredon, the letter, not given to the council, detailed various accounts of vandalism to the vehicle whilst it was parked in the car park at the rear of the Oak, in Oak Lane and since it has been parked on the main road. Mrs Abrahams has been the subject of verbal abuse and has had the vehicle damaged since it was mentioned in the account of the last parish council meeting in the parish magazine. Mrs Abrahams has been assured by the police that no offence is caused by parking on the main road. (The chairman asked for a copy of the letter to be sent to the clerk).

Mr Meikle and Mr Bromford expressed concern regarding the inclusion of land in Oak Lane at the rear of Bredon Lodge as a potential development site within the SWDP.

**1. Apologies For Absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mr Andrew Woodward.

**2. Declaration Of Interests.**

Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interest.

**3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 24<sup>th</sup> October 2011.**

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

**4. Correspondence For Information.**

Maintenance of Bredons Norton Clock will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

The council, having received a complaint regarding the lighting of the MUGA affecting the tennis courts, have asked Mr Dunn to contact the contractors to have the lighting adjusted.

The council has received an overwhelming number of complaints regarding the parking of the Smart car in Main Road, Bredon. Although the council is appalled at the abuse Mrs Abrahams has received, this is clearly a cause of concern for many parishioners. The parish council itself has no authority over this issue and had alerted CSO Williams to parishioners concerns. West Mercia Police have stated 'that no offence has occurred'.

The vehicle is causing an obstruction on the Highway and therefore a matter for the County Council to resolve.

*The meeting was adjourned to allow Mr Abrahams to respond to points raised and re opened after his response.*

The council agreed to accept Cllr Hardman's offer to try and come to an amicable conclusion for all concerned.

**5. Finances.**

a) Invoices to be Paid.

The council agreed the payment of the following invoices.

#### Village hall

British Gas (Electric) £112.69, Snow Electrics £22.50, British Gas (Gas Kitchen) £71.93, Hearing Loop £2,627.92, License £180.00, Salary and Wages £548.29, S Matty £30.00 and Waverley (DD) £1312.18,

#### BCPR

Bellinger £2,373.46

#### Parish Council

N Power £66.97 and £2.49, Clerks Expenses £133.79, Pippens £45.00, Wychavon Litter Bin £157.67, Clerks Salary and Pension £743.18, lengthsman £132.00, New Farms £771.8 and Poppy Wreath £40.00.

b) Financial Report.

#### **Remittance.**

#### PC

Lengthsman £176.00, Public Footpaths Grant £105.00,

#### Village Hall

Hall £1,015.50, Bar £1,651.06

c) To Approve The Precept For April 2012 –March 2013.

Cllr Falvey proposed, Cllr Whiting seconded and it was agreed by all to accept the proposal to keep the precept at the same rate as the previous year.

### **6. Planning.**

a) For Consideration.

- W/11/02381/PP Tudor House, Westmancote. New 5-bar gate to existing driveway. Re-profiling end of existing western dry-stone boundary wall and extension to this wall to better define driveway. Repairs to existing boundary wall, including re-construction in badly decayed areas. Reason to object, Would like the new gate to be mounted at least a full cars length from the highway. To avoid blocking of Chapel lane by callers.
- W/11/02382/LB Tudor House, Westmancote. New 5-bar gate to existing driveway. Re-profiling end of existing western dry-stone boundary wall and extension to this wall to better define driveway. Repairs to existing boundary wall, including re-construction in badly decayed areas. Reason to object, Would like the new gate to be mounted at least a full cars length from the highway. To avoid blocking of Chapel lane by callers.
- W/11/02369/LB Tudor House, Westmancote Creation of internal doorway. No objection
- W/11/02341/PN Telephone Exchange, Main Road, Bredon, Remove sections of glazing and replace with Aluminium louvers. No objection.

b) Decided By Wychavon.

#### Approved by Wychavon.

- W/11/01489/PP - The Haven, Chapel Lane, Kinsham.
- W/11/01718/PN - Bredon Village Hall, Main Road, Bredon
- W/11/01906/PP - Hardwick Lodge, Hardwick Bank Road, Bredons Hardwick

### **7. To Discuss Parish Office.**

The council agreed in principle for the siting of a parish office within the village hall.

### **8. To Discuss The Archiving Of Parish Council Records.**

Ongoing

### **9. To Discuss The Councils Response To The SWDP.**

The council agreed, due to shortage of time, for the planning group to circulate by E Mail a draft response, taking in comments from parishioners and councillors inline with the councils previous response; the councillors would comment and a final version will be prepared from these comments and submitted by the deadline. Cllr Masters abstained from voting.

**10. To Discuss The Proposal For Grass Cutting In The Parish.**

The council agreed to the grass cutting groups proposals for grass cutting for the season April 2012 – October 2013 and an advert inviting tenders will be placed in the Glos Echo, Evesham Journal and parish magazine. Cllr Rhodes to prepare advert. Cllr Falvey abstained from the discussion and voting.

**11. To Discuss St Giles and Graveyard Capacity.**

The parish council has a statutory duty to provide a burial ground and the Glebe field was purchased for this purpose. Ongoing.

**12. Progress Reports for Information.**

a) Hedge in Main Road, Bredon.

Cllr Hardman to progress.

b) Sports England Funding.

No report.

c) Leases.

Meetings with the clubs to take place imminently.

d) Clerk.

Report enclosed.

e) BPCR.

Toilet facilities Trial

To date the trial had been successful, agenda item for next meeting.

f) Playing Field Support Group.

No Report. The council to suggest to the group that WC facilities are included in the new signage.

g) Bredons Norton Village Hall.

No report.

h) Bredon Village Hall.

Hearing loop had been installed.

i) County and District Councillor.

Cllr Hardman alerted the council to the New Homes Bonus Scheme and the lack of 'density of housing' in the SWDP.

Cllr Darby as district councillor for Westmancote had submitted a report. Enclosed.

j) Bredon Hill Conservation Group.

The group will be submitting a comment on the SWDP and the Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy and opposing the proposed development north of Northway.

k) SWDP and NPPF.

**13. Items For Future Agenda.**

To appoint a Governor for Bredon Hancock's School.

Waste Core Strategy report, Hancock's Trust report.

**14. Date Of Next Meeting.**

28<sup>th</sup> November 2011 to discuss Fields in Trust.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2011.