

Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council

Minutes of Bredon Parish Council Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 4th February 2013 at 7.15pm.

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

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk), Cllr A Hardman (County and District) and Mr Coleman of CMS Bath Ltd

Mr Coleman of CMS Bath Ltd gave a brief presentation of a proposed development in Oak Lane. This is the only site in Bredon which has been allocated for development under the emerging South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) up to a maximum of 24 dwellings. The Council has worked hard over the last four years with Wychavon, the Village Design Statement Committee and local residents, to ensure that the SWDP delivers the best possible outcome for our community. While no firm proposals have yet been submitted, the Council trusts that any future scheme will fully comply with the SWDP, and have the interests of the community at its heart.

1. Apologies For Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Andrew Woodward.

2. Declaration of Interests.

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

Cllr Darby declared a ODI in item 8 and an DPI in item 7, as a possible neighbouring land owner.

Several councillors declared interests in item 10, however as this item was for a brief update only, the council agreed that the recording of interests was not necessary.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 7th January 2013.

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

4. Finances.

a) Invoices to Be Paid.

The following invoices were agreed for payment. :-

PC - DD BT Phone £50.40, WDC Rates £27.00 and £72.00, Clerk £553.17, Pension £168.48, N Power £66.98 and £2.48.

A Stubbs £625.00, Kemerton Estates £192.00, Cleaver £180.00, Bredon AFC MUGA Lights £33.01, Street Light £73.75, Bredon Footway £3,000.00, T Spry £994.00. M Adlard £30.00 and S Gwilliam £176.00.

Village Hall - PRS for Music £588.00, C W £26.41, RPK Maintenance £127.13, J Lomasney £588.00 and D Rosser £76.00.

DD- Inn Express , BT £ B Gas- Gas B Gas £825.49 - Electric £107.11, J Lomasney £258.45, British Gas Kitchen £1.69,

b) Financial Report.

The following remittances have been received:

PC - Tennis Club Rent £400.00.

Village Hall – Lettings £2,351.20 and Bar £2,173.70.

5. Planning.

a) For Consideration.

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- i. W/12/02823/PP 14 St Giles Road, Bredon. Proposed single story front extension and rear extension.
- ii. W/12/02689/PP 1 Oak Lane, Bredon. Proposed two story side extension.

b) Decided By Wychavon.

Approved by Wychavon

W/12/02481/PP - Mid Barn, Rectory Lane, Bredons Hardwick.

W/12/02823/PP 14 St Giles Road, Bredon. Proposed single story front extension and rear extension.

Gone To Appeal

Planning Ref W/12/02034/PP - 2 Hillview Cottages, Watery Lane, Kinsham

c) SWDP

Cllr Darby provided an update on the SWDP.

It was agreed that a draft letter to the Grays setting out the council's position regarding Bredon Fruit Farm would be circulated to councillors by email for discussion and agreement. (Cllr Masters abstained.)

6. Correspondence For Information.

Cllr Masters has been awarded 3rd place in the Wychavon District Council Diamond Jubilee Community Recognition Award.

The Council agreed for BCPR to fund two new bins for the playing field.

No councillor is available to attend the Accounts and Audit Event.

The Council agreed for the WI to use the Parish Councils Public Liability Insurance for the forthcoming litter pick.

Notice of Parish Councillor Vacancy has been posted on the notice board.

Copies of land drainage letters issued by Wychavon had been received.

Two E mails had been received regarding the possible development at Benshams, they will be responded to, as directed by the Council.

7. To Discuss Possible Development At Benshams.

Cllr Darby left the room.

To date no planning application has been received.

The Council had written to Wychavon asking if a temporary Tree Preservation Order be placed on the veteran trees at Benshams, as clearing work had started to take place. Wychavon subsequently used its statutory powers to place a TPO on the site for a temporary period. This will prevent the removal of any trees until they have been properly evaluated under standard procedures.

8. To Consider Renewing The Grazing Agreement For The Glebe Field.

The Council agreed for the agreement to be renewed at the current rate.

9. To Consider Renewing The Grass Cutting Contract.

The Council agreed for the contracts to be renewed for one year at the current rate.

10. Progress Reports For Information.

a) Clerk. (report previously circulated)

b) Bredon Village Hall.

Cllr Sly has pressure washed half of the patio area.

The doors between the Jubilee room and kitchen have been repaired and will be varnished.

c) Bredons Norton Village Hall.

The meeting had been postponed.

d) County and District Councillor.

The County Councils budget from Central Government has been cut by 6% in real terms; the Council will use 'general reserves' to halt a cut in services this year.

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The percentage decrease in Wychavon budget will be significantly more in real terms.

Parishioners are urged to report pot holes to highways.

The Council felt that they had used the gritters effectively in the recent snow and ice.

The Councillor had met Cllr Darby, Mr T Jones (Wychavon) and several residents at Queensmead regarding a flooding issue, which will hopefully be resolved.

The Councillor, Cllr Darby and Mr R Fullee (Worcestershire Highways) are looking at a possible solution to the reduce water flowing down off the hill and running down the road at Westmancote.

e) Lease Negotiations and Playing Fields.

On going.

f) Parish Magazine.

Cllr Palmer will place a new notice on the flyers in the shop.

The content of this month's page was discussed.

g) Defibrillator.

On going.

h) Speed Sign.

Agenda item for next meeting, Councillors where asked to look at suggested sites, provided by Cllr Shiels. The Chairman thanked Cllr Shiels for his excellent presentation.

i) Update on Eckington Football Club and use of Playing Fields.

Cllr Norman gave a summary of recent meetings; this will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

11. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.

To Award a Bursary to the WI Litter Pick.

New Homes Bonus – ideas for its use.

12. Date Of Next Meeting.

Monday 4th March.