

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

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

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mr Jackson, Mr Bates, Mr Whitehead and Mr A Hardman (District and County).

Mr Whitehead informed the council that the Forestry Commissions had issued a restocking order for the land behind Perwell Close. Trees would be planted at the correct time of year and an embargo would come into force to protect the trees for the future.

Mr Bates attended the meeting to apologise for not continuing as bus shelter cleaner for Bredons Hardwick, but at well over 80 years old and having cleaned and maintained the shelter for over 25 years he felt he would like to end his commitment in the new year, the council thanked him for his work over the last 25 years.

1. Apologies for Absence.

None received.

2. Declarations of Interests

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

Cllr Handy declared a DPI in item 6a (iv) as his wife owns the cattery and an ODI in item 6a (ii) as a neighbour.

All councillors declared an ODI in 6a (iv) as a colleague of Mr Handy,

Cllr Bird declared a DPI in item 8, as his brother has submitted a quote.

Cllr Darby declared a prejudicial OPI in item 6a (ii), as he is a farming tenant of the applicants.

Cllr Falvey declared a DPI as Chairman of Bredon Rugby Club in item 17.

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

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

4. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 14th October 2013.

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

5. Finances.

a) Invoices to Be Paid.

The following invoices were approved for payment.

DD. - Clerk £542.42, Pension £176.44, N Power 67.06 and 2.51, BT 50.40,

Cheques - Muga Advert £40.00, Theocus £420.00, AMG Darby/ Kemerton Estates

£142.50, Wickstead £16,500.00, Clerks Expenses £72.09, New Farms £180.00, M Adlard £60.00 and GBD £247.01.

V Hall

DD. J Lomasney £258.45, British Gas - Gas £-28.93 and £52.48, Electric £, Inn Express £,

Cheques -J Lomasney £280.18, D Rosser £128.00, Parish Mag, £40.00, Web site £44.82, Cutlery and Diary £33.99, C W Cleaning £44.69 and £29.75.

b) Financial Report.

The following remittances had been received.

Hall - Bar £3,116.62, Hall £877.52.

PC - Way Leave £4.70, Football Club £166.66.

6. Planning.

a) For Consideration.

- i. W/13/01934/LB - Brookfield House, Manor Lane, Bredons Norton. Proposed single storey rear extension and interior alterations to link properties together. No objection in principle, but like the Conservation Officer Whilst acceptable in principle, we think the current design would need amending to avoid a detrimental impact on the significance of the listed building. The proposed extension should have a pitched roof, either monopitch with the ridge against the existing building's wall, or with two slopes, with the ridge perpendicular to the existing building's wall. It should have casement windows to the extension.
 - ii. W/13/02039/PP - Westhurst, Eckington Road, Bredon. New first floor extension to existing single storey wing of existing residence. No reasons to object.
 - iii. W/13/02141/CU - Ridgeway Bank Nurseries, Eckington Road, Bredon. Temporary mobile home in connection with established cattery. Cllr Handy left the room during discussion of this item. No reasons to object.
 - iv. W/13/01869/PP Cherry Tree Cottage, Lower Lane, Kinsham. Erection of two storey extension. No objections in principle, however would like new ridge height to be lowered so maximum height is level with original ridge height.
 - v. W/13/02148/OU - Land off Tewkesbury Road and Rear of, College Road, Bredon. A one item Parish Council Meeting will be held on the 11th November at 8.00pm to discuss.
- b) Decided By Wychavon.
- Approved by Wychavon
W/13/01638/PN - Manor Farm Bungalow, Farm Lane, Westmancote
W/13/01654/PP - Moles End, Westmancote, Bredon, Tewkesbury
- Refused by Wychavon
W/13/01625/PN - Land Adjacent, Micris, Chapel Lane, Kinsham.
W/13/01150/OU - Land off, Cheltenham Road, Bredon.
W/13/01731/PN - Land Adjacent, Hunters Gate, Lower Lane, Kinsham
Going to Full Planning Committee.
W/13/01399/OU Land Off Oak Lane.
W/13/01687/PN Little Orchard.
- c) Update on Developments In Bredon.
Benshams application has been refused by Wychavon, Oak Lane is going to Wychavon Full Planning Committee on the 7th November and the Parish Council will be holding a meeting regarding the Tewkesbury Road application.
- d) To Discuss Tewkesbury Borough Plan Public Consultation.
The planning group will put together a response which will be circulated to all councillors.

7. Correspondence for Information.

A letter had been received from Mr and Mrs Hartley thanking the council for their efforts in regard to the skateboard area of the playing field in memory of their son Dominic.

8. To Consider The Plans For The Dock.

A final plan is being drawn up which will be sent out to all those that originally quoted.

9. To Discuss The Trees On The Playing Fields.

The council agreed for work to be carried out around the tennis courts. The trees at the back of Bensham Court will be reduced by one third and the stump at Brasenose will be ground out.

10. To Discuss The Findings Of The Play Area Inspection.

Deferred.

11. To Discuss Anti-Social Behaviour In The Village.

The council had received a letter from parishioners who were present at the Oak, in answer to the article in the Gloucestershire Echo and the Parish Magazine by Cannon Baynes.

12. To Discuss Toilet Facilities For The Playing Field.

The council agreed for the bowling club to put up a sign, stating that it was a private club and indicating toilet facilities. The council agreed for a different type of lock to be fitted to the toilets at the rear of the village hall, Cllr Falvey will continue to maintain the facility.

13. To Consider The Purchase Of A New Bin At Bredon Norton.

Due to the cost of a new bin, Cllr Palmer will discuss at the Bredons Norton Village Hall Committee meeting to be held on the 5th November.

14. To Consider The Purchase Of A Dog Bin For Cotswold Close.

The council will pay for the emptying of the bin if the land owner would contribute towards the installation.

15. To Consider The Proposed Precept For 2014-2015.

The council agreed to keep the precept at the current rate, however it may appear to be different when the rates are published due to the difference in numbers of occupied dwellings, re banding of houses and funding from central government. Cllr Darby said that his agreement was conditional on the parish council's percentage change, as shown on council tax bills, staying the same or going down, but not rising.

16. To Discuss The Grass Cutting Contract For 2014 – 2015.

The council agreed to go out to tender for the next season, Cllr Sly to prepare documentation for the next meeting. Clerk to start the advertising process.

17. To Form A Village Hall Management Group.

Deferred until after the informal meeting being held later this month.

18. Progress Reports For Information.

a) Clerk.

Report circulated.

b) Bredon Village Hall.

c) Bredons Norton Village Hall.

Meeting to be held on the 5th November.

d) County and District Councillor.

The council has to reduce its spending by 30 million for 2014/2015 and 100 million over the next three years.

Funding to the 540 services will be under review.

e) Leases.

Ongoing.

f) Parish Magazine.

Signing of the Rugby Club lease and planning.

19. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.

Electronic forms of Communication (Cllr Shiels).

Lengthsman hours (Cllr Rhodes).

Bredons Hardwick Bus Shelter.

20. Date Of Next Meetings.

Monday 11th November at 8.00pm

Monday 2nd December at 7.15pm.