

BREDON & BREDON'S NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Bredon Parish Council Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on **Monday 10th October 2022 at 7:00pm.**

Present: Councillors: Mr Nick Bradley [Chairman], Ms Karen Brooks, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Neil Leyden, Mr Ed Pyke, Mr Declan Shiels and Mr Rob Sly.

In Attendance: Mr Tim Drew (Clerk), Cllr Mr Adrian Hardman.

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs Mr Rob Bell and Mr Brod Whiting.

2. Declaration of Interests.

Cllr Sly declared an ODI for Items 5 c) & d) as a neighbouring landowner to additional land owned by a Mitton Bank applicant. A dispensation to participate in any discussion and a discretionary vote for this planning application was approved in November 2021.

3. To consider the Adoption of the Minutes of the Meetings held on Monday 20th September 2022.

The minutes were **agreed**.

4. Finances:

- i. Invoices to be paid:

Village Hall:

Jo Lomasney	Balance of Wages – September 2022	£264.91
Darren Rosser	Bar Work – September 2022	£46.10

Parish Council:

Timothy Drew	Balance of Wages – September 2022	£179.95
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit – Governance & Account 2021-22	£480.00
Greenworks	Grass cutting – September 2022	£1655.23
David Gray	Lengthsman – September 2022 (Parish)	£306.76
David Gray	Lengthsman – September 2022 (Highways)	£330.00

All payments above were **agreed**. Cllr Sly stated that Greenworks made 2 cuts during September due to weed growth.

- ii. To approve the Financial Report.

The September 2022 bank statements and cash book were **approved**.

5. Planning:

- a) For Approval:

- i. W/22/01753/CU St Catherine's Barn, Lampitt Lane, Bredon's Norton, GL20 7HB
Proposed shepherds hut with car parking/amenity space (Bed & Breakfast) and greenhouse.

No objections.

- ii. W/22/01784/HP Hermes Lodge, Manor Lane, Bredon's Norton, GL20 7EZ
Conversion of existing garage building to ancillary living accommodation in connection with occupation of main dwelling (retrospective).

No objections, subject to the Conservation Officer being satisfied there would be no harm to the heritage assets.

The parish council's comments above were **agreed**.

b) Approved:

i. W/22/01318/HP 28 Hill Close, Westmancote, Bredon, GL20 7EW

c) Planning Inspectorate Appeal (Mitton Bank):

i. APP/H1840/W/22/3301732: Land East of Bredon Road & Tewkesbury Road, GL20 8AX (18/00771/OUT & 20/00008/OUT).

The Inquiry takes place at the Civic Centre in Pershore on Tuesday 25th October 2022. Statements of Common Ground and Proof of Evidence documentation will be submitted by relevant parties on 11th October 2022. Wychavon will not be represented by Planning Officers to defend the application but by Cllr Adrian Hardman (Bredon District Councillor) and Wychavon's appointed Barrister. The Planning Committee's decision in May 2022 was based on Wychavon having a five-year housing land supply (5YHLS) due to early over delivery of the plan. Wychavon are currently recalculating the 5YHLS and will issue a statement before the end of the month when they can confirm if a 5YHLS is in place or not. A further complication is the duty to cooperate cross border with Tewkesbury Borough Council.

The Strategy for the Planning Appeal was discussed including possible speakers and parishioners' involvement. Social Media to be used to canvass attendees for 25th October 2022.

d) Other Planning Matters:

It was acknowledged that public involvement would be required at the upcoming South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) Review 6-week Consultation.

6. Playing Field Incursion Measures.

Cllr Falvey will be meeting with Heather Peachey at Wychavon to discuss and understand available Section 106 funding for the car park project and playing field components. This will determine a financial commitment and supplier estimates.

7. Glebe Field Churchyard Extension.

Following a request not to use weed killer on the Glebe Field, All Seasons Gardens Company's updated quote for £8,160.00, provided by Peter Whitehead, was **agreed** on an equal shared basis with the Bredon Parochial Church Council, with invoices paid by the parish council and recharged accordingly.

8. Progress Reports and Updates for Information.

a) County and District Councillor:

- Barry Barnes of WCC Highways is visiting Bredon's Norton to review traffic and speeding issues.
- The Boundary Commission is proposing Westmancote and Kemerton become part of Bredon Ward for Wychavon District Council elections.
- Wychavon to provide Dog Bins for two locations.
- County budgets for 2022-23 will be overspent.
- Land on Eckington Road to north of Bredon Parish boundary may be sold to Eckington Parish Council.

b) Police and Defibrillator:

- Eckington Bridge damaged in a fatal road traffic accident.
- A major missing person search in parish, sadly resulted in an identified death.

- A youth was hospitalised after an assault on the Playing Field.
- Issues involving youths in Cherry Orchard were reported with patrols increased.
- The Spar Village Shop defibrillator was taken by the Ambulance Service but was not used and so returned.
- Requests received for both Defibrillator Training and SmartWater distribution.

Working Groups:

c) Transport & Organisations:

- Monthly data from the four Speed Radar Cameras showed high percentage of compliance by passing traffic and a data monitoring kit is under review.
- It was **agreed** to purchase two additional Evolis Speed Radar Cameras.
- BCPR's repair and maintenance of play equipment will be a November Agenda item.
- A decision on installing White gates in Bredon's Norton is pending.
- It was **agreed** to purchase Parking Cones for Playing Field events, up to a budget of £400.

d) Executive & Finance:

- 2021-22 External Audit completed, and results published on website and noticeboards.
- Meeting required to discuss 2023-24 Precept.
- Still seeking to appoint a cleaner for the Playing Field Toilets.

9. Correspondence, Progress Reports and Updates for Information.

The Clerk provided the following update:

- A donation request from Bredon Community Care was **agreed**.
- It was **agreed** to donate the cost of Village Hall booking for the Ukraine Education support.
- The Boundary Commission's new political map for Wychavon (as referred to in Item 8a) above) was circulated.
- Clerk to respond to the Trees Call to Action Fund (TCAF), highlighting the Kemerton Road hedge and Glebe Field.
- The 2022-2023 Parish winter newsletter was circulated.

10. Councillors Reports and Items for Future Agenda:

Cllr Shiels advised the November Parish magazine would cover the Kemerton Road Closure, SWDP Review Consultation and Planning Applications from July 2022.

Cllr Shiels raised the revival of the Luncheon Club and provision of a warm space and coffee area in the Village Hall and possible Wychavon support funding.

Cllr Shiels requested 'Local Live' as a November agenda item.

Cllr Falvey requested the Village Hall Christmas Tree as a November agenda item.

11. Date of Next Meeting:

14th November 2022