

Minutes of Bredon Parish Council Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllr's Mrs Alison Palmer, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Allen Frampton, 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) and Cllr Hardman (District and County).

**1. Apologies For Absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Gail Whiting.

**2. Declaration of Interests.**

Cllr's were reminded to update their Register of Interests with Wychavon. Various councillors have Other Disclosable Interest in items on the agenda, but as these items consist only of brief updates, in which decision will not be made, it was agreed not to record these.

**3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012.**

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

**4. Finances.**

a) Invoices to Be Paid.

The following payments were agreed:-

PC – Theocus £264.00, New Grounds Maintenance £72.00, Lengthsman £132.00, Mr Spry £167.00, Up the Pole £273.60, Mr Bates £200.00, Clerks Expenses £25.19.

DD – BT £64.32, Clerk £553.17, Pension £168.48, Rates £27.00 and £72.00

Village Hall - J Lomasney £138.48, CW Cleaning £29.93, ACIB Ltd £2,100.00,

DD - Hall Manager £258.45, British Gas (Gas and Electric) £396.73, Inn Express £500.26, BT £129.81,

b) To Consider a Donation to the Open Space Society.

The Council agreed to renew the membership at a cost of £40.00.

c) Financial Report.

The following remittances have been received: - PC Interest £1.97, Football Club DD £117.71, Village Hall Lettings £1,978.30.

d) To Set The Precept for 2013/2014.

The Council agreed to keep the precept at the current rate; however changes from Central Government could influence the actual amount to council tax payers. Once all the information and guidance has been received the Finance Group will meet and determine the amount to be applied for.

**5. Planning.**

a) For Consideration.

None received.

b) Decided By Wychavon.

Approved.

W/12/01941/Cu and W/12/01942/LB True Blue Farm, Lower Lane, Kinsham. Conversion of barn to dwelling.

W/12/01274/PN Home Farm, Manor Lane, Bredons Norton. Retention of storage container and mobile home (retrospective).

W/12/01275/CU Home Farm, Manor Lane, Bredons Norton. Change of use from stables to mixed use.

W/12/01997/PP Greenmead, Lower Wesmancote. Addition of two story extension in place of derelict garage.

W/12/02216/PP St Giles End, Manor Lane, Bredons Norton. New front enclosed porch with roof alterations.

W/12/02009/PP Folley Cottage, Bredons Hardwick Lane, Bredons Hardwick. Demolition of existing property and construction of 2 houses.

W/12/02345/PN Sheepfold, Lampit Lane, Bredons Norton. Application for the alterations and single storey side/front extension to provide ancillary accommodation (annex) that was granted under planning permission W/04/01375/PN without complying with Condition 3 (requiring the occupation of the annex to be ancillary to the dwelling house) and to allow the annex to be used for residential letting.

Refused By Wychavon.

W/12/01899/AC Land at Hardwick Bank Road, Bredons Norton. Respective application for the creation of vehicular access with gate.

W/12/02034/PP and W/12/02108/LB 2 Hillview Cottages, Watery lane, Kinsham. Single storey extension.

W/12/02130/PP Westhurst, Eckington Road, Bredon. New first floor extension to existing single story wing of existing residence.

Amendments to plans

Planning Ref W/12/01997/PP - Planning Portal Ref PP-02191325 - Greenmead, Lower Westmancote, Bredon.

W/12/02345/PN Sheepfold, Lampitt Lane, Bredons Norton.

**6. Correspondence For Information.**

Various correspondence had been received regarding the recent heavy rainfall and pot holes. The following actions have been taken and the Clerk will respond accordingly.

Westmancote – Mud on the road – landowner and Highways informed.

Westmancote – Water running down the Hill – The Lengthsman will change some of the drainage methods, land owners have been consulted and Highways will come and inspect the area.

Motorway Bridge – The volume of water that collected under the bridge, occurred for various reasons and will be investigated by Highways as well as the accumulation of water in the dip at Ridgeway Bank.

Kinsham Road – Potholes – Have been filled.

The drainage works carried out in Kinsham and Queensmead since 2007 where tested and proved to work successfully.

The Chairman had agreed to read a lesson at the School Carol Service.

**7. To Consider The Purchase Of A Speed Activated Sign.**

The Council agreed to purchase a VAS, the majority of the mail received by the Country Councillor is the perception of speed, the County Councillor will donate £1,000.00 to the purchase and the Council will utilise a percentage discount by ordering via the County Council. The scheme will be operated by the Lengthsman. Clerk to confer with Cllr Hardman as to sites and liaise with Highways.

**8. To Discuss Maintenance Of Areas In The Village.**

Two areas where identified in Westmancote and will be added to the list.

**9. To Ratify the Appointment Of A Bus Shelter Cleaner.**

Deferred.

**10. To Ratify the Cost of the Parish Council Playing Field Sign.**

The Council agreed to pay for the signs at the entrance to the two car parks.

**11. To Consider A Nomination for the Diamond Jubilee Community Recognition Award.**

The Council agreed to nominate Mr John Masters.

**12. To Discuss The Football Club.**

The Council agreed for Eckington Junior Football Club to use the football pitches and the existing facilities on the playing fields as appropriate. Bredon Football club need to discuss practical usage with Eckington, and as necessary with the Rugby Club. Once an agreement between the various clubs has been reached then they can come back to the council. Cllrs Norman and Sly offered to help with negotiations.

**13. To Consider The Parish Councils Own Code of Conduct.**

The Clerk to investigate other councils Code Of Conduct.

**14. Progress Reports For Information.**

a) Clerk.

b) Bredon Village Hall.

The Council agreed for Cllr Falvey to look at the Gas and Electric contracts for next year.

As the local tradesmen asked to attend to the Chandler Room Floor, after six months, have not given the hall a commencement date, the Council agreed to award the work to another contractor, Clerk to write accordingly.

Cllr Rhodes will liaise with RPK Maintenance to install doors between the kitchen and the Jubilee room.

c) Bredons Norton Village Hall.

No meeting had taken place.

d) County and District Councillor.

Gloucester County Council is intending to put in a pavement between Mitton and the Allotments.

Cllr Hardman will supply two new grit bins from his councillor allowance, one for Bredons Norton and one for the Dell. The Council agreed to fund the salt for the bins from 2013.

e) Lease Negotiations and Playing Fields.

On going.

f) Parish Magazine.

No magazine this month.

g) Defibrillator.

On going.

h) School Governor.

The Council agreed for the Finance Group to communicate with and to seek ways to assist Bredon Hancock's School.

**15. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.**

None.

**16. Date Of Next Meeting.**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013.