

# *Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council*

Minutes of Bredon Parish Council Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllr's Mrs Gail Whiting, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Phil Handy, Mr John Masters, Mr Andrew Rhodes, Mr Declan Shiels, Mr Rob Sly and Mr Andrew Woodward (Chairman).

In Attendance Ms J Shields (Clerk).

## **1. Apologies For Absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's Mrs Alison Palmer, Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Allen Frampton, Mr Andy Norman and Mr A Hardman (District and County).

## **2. Declaration of Interests.**

Cllr's were reminded to update their Register of Interests with Wychavon. Cllr Woodward declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in 5 (c).

## **3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012.**

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

## **4. Finances.**

a) Invoices to Be Paid.

PC - Severn Signs £471.60, Lengthsman £132.00, DD - WDC Rates £27.00 and £72.00, Clerk £553.17, Pension £168.48.

Village Hall - Johnston Scotia £30.00, J Lomasney £182.65, D Rosser £56.00, DD- Inn Express £225.28 and £191.36, British Gas- Gas £729.98 and Electric £75.39, J Lomasney £258.45, Wychavon Trade Waste £35.83, D Rosser £56.00.

b) Financial Report.

The following remittances have been received: PC - WCC – Tree at Kinsham £200.00, Ditch work £100.00 and Speed Sign £1,000.00, Lengthsman Oct and November £352.00, Village Hall lettings £823.50 and Bar £1,479.60.

c) To Ratify The Precept for 2013/2014.

The Council have received further advice from Wychavon, Cllrs Rhodes and Sly will contact Wychavon for the relevant figures, with the aim of a nil % increase on the Parish Council part of the rates. The figure will be supplied to the Clerk in time for the form to be returned to Wychavon by the 11<sup>th</sup> January.

## **5. Planning.**

a) For Consideration.

i. W/12/02799/LB Lower End Cottage, Lower Lane, Bredons Norton. Replacement Windows. No reason to object.

ii. W/12/02481/PP Mid Barn, Rectory Lane, Bredons Norton. Two storey side extension and single story granny annexe to the front of the property. Reasons to Object, The proposed development is not subservient to the original building as required by policy SUR6. The proposal would result in overdevelopment of the site. In the event of any development being approved a restriction be added that the new property as a whole must remain as one entity and not subsequently be split into separate properties.

b) Decided By Wychavon.

Approved by Wychavon

W/12/02233/PN Bredon Village Hall, Main Road, Bredon. Proposed club house providing bar counter, kitchen, toilets, seating area and external viewing gallery above existing changing rooms with 2 no. dormer extensions and external fire exit staircase.

c) Development in Cheltenham Road, Bredon.

Cllr Woodward left the room, after making it clear to the Council that he did not want dispensation to participate in any discussions or decisions taken in regard to this possible development. All correspondence will be dealt with by the Clerk or the Vice Chairman Cllr Handy.

Cllr Handy took the Chair.

The Parish Council was made aware, at this meeting, of a potentially large housing development on the Cheltenham Road, adjacent to the new development in Orchard Close, just outside the 30mph speed limit and the village boundary.

The Council would like to reiterate its long standing policy of opposing any large development that does not coincide with the policies stated in the Village Design Statement and would urge potential developers to only proceed with sites allocated in the SWDP.

The Council agreed for an article on this item is advertised in the Parish with immediate effect.

Cllr Woodward entered and resumed the chairmanship of the meeting.

#### **6. Correspondence For Information.**

The Chairman had reluctantly accepted the resignation of Mr Allen Frampton. The Clerk will inform Wychavon of a vacancy on the Council.

Worcs. County Council have asked for a donation of 50% towards the new piece of footway linking the two car parks in the main road, Clerk to check previous minutes and act accordingly.

#### **7. To Discuss Maintenance Of Areas In The Village.**

The Council agreed the three presented quotes of less than £1,000.00 each for continued maintenance in the parish.

#### **8. To Ratify the Appointment Of A Bus Shelter Cleaner.**

The Council ratified the appointment of Mr Mark Farey to carry out the cleaning of five bus shelters in the parish, Clerk to ask him to carry out an audit of all the shelters.

#### **9. Update on Speed Sign.**

The Council have received £1,000.00 from the Cllr Hardman budget and has applied for £1,000.00 from the New Homes Bonus Scheme to purchase the sign; Highways are currently assessing appropriate sites.

#### **10. Progress Reports For Information.**

a) Clerk. (report previously circulated)

Work on the wall in Main Road Bredon has been held up due to the weather.

b) Bredon Village Hall.

The Chandler Room Floor will be sanded and re sealed in the February half term.

At long last the door between the Jubilee room and kitchen will be repaired this week.

The heating in the hall has been discussed on various occasions; unfortunately due to the structure of the three rooms each requires separate temperature. The Manager tries to accommodate everyone's needs however, users of the rooms require different heats ie exercise classes do not want the heat on and in fact open windows and doors, if this is then followed by a sedentary user the room will appear cold. Each room has thermostats in each radiator, unfortunately some have been enclosed as previously the controls were taken, by person unknown, users may alter the heat but are asked to return to former settings once they leave. Users are also asked to keep the main door closed, which is often left wide open by users.

Cllr Sly volunteer to pressure wash the patio area of the Village Hall.  
A volunteer is required to carry out the monthly stocktake.

c) Bredons Norton Village Hall.  
No report as meeting has not yet taken place.

d) County and District Councillor.  
No report provided.

e) Lease Negotiations and Playing Fields.  
On going, Chairman to 'chase' the Solicitor.

f) Parish Magazine.

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Cllr Shiels will provide a draft to be circulated via E mail.

g) Defibrillator.

Report form Cllr Falvey.

The Cabinet should arrive this month. Local Electrician secured to do the installation.

Parish Council will need to pay for materials, but Electrician will provide his services free of charge, cost should be approx. £200. RPK Maintenance will fit the Cabinet free of charge.

h) School Governor.

Due to resignation of Cllr Frampton the post is now vacant.

## **11. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.**

A sign should be erected at the dock advising motorist of possible flooding.

## **12. Date Of Next Meeting.**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2013.