

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DRAKES BROUGHTON AND WADBOROUGH WITH PIRTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 2nd MARCH 2023 AT 7.30 PM AT DRAKES BROUGHTON VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: Cllr J Butterworth (Chair), Cllr R Turner, Cllr A Crouchman, Cllr Pell, Cllr Bessant, Cllr Williams, Cllr R Small, Cllr R Booker, Cllr Thomas, Cllr J Murphy, Cllr Yeo & Cllr D Skeys

IN ATTENDANCE: County Councillor Linda Robinson & District Councillor Mark Ward.

PUBLIC: None

1) APOLOGIES: Cllr Roberts & Mrs N Nicholson (Clerk)

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Thomas – W/22/02744/OUT

3) MEMBER VACANCY PIRTON

The Chair advised that the vacancy remains unfilled.

4) MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting held on 5th February 2023 were proposed by Cllr Williams, seconded by Cllr Pell, agreed by all and signed by the Chair as a true record.

5) MATTERS ARISING

None

6.) FINANCE

The monthly bank reconciliation was not completed for February.

106 Money – update on amounts allocated: The Chair advised that she is progressing this. District Councillor Ward will investigate why the amount of money for 106 for one development allocated for public open space appears to have been reduced from £97,130 to £83,376.76.

CIL money – The chair advised that the Clerk would report on how much was currently available in April's meeting. It would be helpful for members to decide at the meeting what the community infrastructure levy money is to be spent on.

Lengthsman Contract. It was proposed by Cllr Butterworth to increase the lengthsman hourly rate to £13 per hour and that the totals hours per annum would be reduced to 230 to allow the contractor to take some time off during the summer. This was seconded by Cllr Pell and agreed by all.

Grass cutting contract: The chair advised that Smart Cut's quote was the most competitive received and that there continued to be a good working relationship with them. Smart Cut had offered 3 years fixed annual price of £2960.20 for grass cutting, hedge cutting, playpark strimming, playpark surface blowing and playpark weedkilling. It was proposed by Cllr Thomas to accept this, seconded by Cllr Bessant and agreed by all.

It was noted that during the month SSE monthly street light electricity payment had been made of: £449.72

It was proposed by Cllr Crouchman and seconded by Cllr Murphy to authorise the following payments:

a) Mrs. N Nicholson – Clerk Salary –February S/O £559.64

b) Mr B Arrowsmith – Lengthsman Services – February	£240.00
c) SSE – Streetlighting electricity	£TBC

Remittance:

WCC reimburse lengthsman December £240.00

HMRC VAT Claim £3542.83

7.) LOCAL ELECTIONS

The Chair advised everyone that they would need to complete nomination forms and return by hand to Wychavon to retain their seats on the Council. The Chair would circulate detailed information and the timeline of what members were required to do. Cllr Thomas and Cllr Ward offered to deliver the forms to WDC on behalf of members. Printed copies of the nomination forms were provided to those who wanted them.

8.) PLAYPARK & PLAYING FEILD

The Chair advised that during the month the zipline had been repaired she gave thanks Cllr Turner, Mr Les Wild and Mr Martin Huxley who all assisted in completed the required repair work.

The Chair advised that a quote had been requested from Martyn Harley to replace and protect the trees that have once again been damaged at the Playpark.

The Chair advised that the football garages would cost circa £3000.00 to remove. There is a meeting between football club, Village Hall committee and Parish Council planned for 7th March to look at ways to fund this. The Chair will report back once this meeting had taken place.

OPEN SPACE PHASE 2 – The Chair reported that the consultation on the layouts held during the half term had been well attended. There were many positive comments about the layouts but there had been a number of concerns raised by residents living in close proximity to the Playing field regarding increased antisocial behaviour. Members agreed that actions to reduce antisocial behaviour must be taken. Members agreed that this should not deter the development of the space, as more use and more activities should actually reduce antisocial behaviour. The members unanimously voted to begin implementation of the phase 2 of the master plan. The chair encouraged members who haven't already visited to visit Rushwick to see what the pump track will be like. It was agreed to arrange a site visit/meeting with the community liaison officer. Cllr Thomas, Cllr Bessant, Cllr Butterworth, Cllr Pell, Cllr Small and District Councillor Ward all wanted to attend, the Chair would invite members of the Open Space Committee too. Cllr Bessant suggested that a statement to the community be developed outlining what the Parish Council would do, what individuals should do, and what the community should do to make the Playing field and open space a good place for everyone.

9.) PARISH MEETINGS

The dates of the Annual Parish meeting were noted: Pirton Parish – Tuesday 23rd May at Pirton Church. Drakes Broughton and Wadbrough Parish – Thursday 25th May at Drakes Broughton Village Hall.

The provisional agenda was discussed, and the Chair advised that local groups and clubs would be invited to attend and give short presentations to the public, the Parish meetings are all about what goes on in the communities. The dates would be included in the Villager report this month.

10.) REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS –Written Reports from County & District Councillors had been circulated prior to the meeting.

County Councillor Robinson joined the meeting.

It was noted that WDC had waved the fee for road closures for the Kings coronation and that there would be a grant for community events – the grant was double that granted for the jubilee celebrations.

District Councillor Ward was asked to check and confirm if the Neighbourhood Plan boundaries will be respected even though the 5-year land supply isn't in place.

Members Reports

Cllr Small advised that he was getting the Drake Broughton water pump serviced.

Cllr Small advised that the lengthsman was doing his role as required.

Cllr Turner advised that the school speed sign lights were still not operational. County Councillor Robinson was still progressing this.

Cllr Pell advised that the £2 bus journey fee had been extended until June 2023.

Cllr Butterworth advised that there were resident complaints in Pirton regarding the burning of horse manure. District Councillor Ward advised that it is illegal and should be reported to regulatory services. The Chair advised that residents had contacted Regulatory Services but no action had resulted. District Councillor Ward asked that all the details were sent to him to follow up.

11.) PERIODIC HIGHWAYS REVIEW

The Chair thanked Cllr Roberts and Cllr Small for the review.

Cllr Small left the meeting.

12.) VILLAGER SUBMISSION

It was noted this was required on Tuesday and the Clerk & Chair would liaise regarding the content.

13.) PLANNING

SWDPR – Joint Parishes committee meeting, Liaison group meeting.

The Chair advised that herself and Cllr Pell had attended the meeting earlier in the week. They would both be attending the liaison meeting with Wychavon on 6th March. The Chair is hopeful that there will be more information about the reported absence of a 5-year land supply and how it will affect planning applications in our Parishes. District Ward was asked to find out if the adopted Neighbourhood Plans development boundaries would be respected.

Neighbourhood Plan – The Chair asked that ALL members read and review the contents of the adopted Neighbourhood plan, it would be an agenda item at April's meeting, and it was important to confirm all the contents remain relevant.

Residents meeting regarding application for 30 dwellings on land to the rear of Stonebow Road. It was noted that there had been a residents meeting regarding this application. The Chair also advised that Lone Star, the developer, had contacted the Parish Council to offer to meet with members to answer questions regarding the application. Members did not wish to meet with Lone Star the only query members had, was, would Lone Star consider keeping the land as a Community Space.

- a) Comments made on planning applications to Wychavon: W/22/02744/OUT Land at (Os 9259 4864) Stonebow Road, Drakes Broughton. Outline planning application for the erection of up to 30 residential dwellings and associated infrastructure (all matter reserved except for access) OBJECTION.
W/23/00258/FUL Land to the South Of, Walcot Lane, Drakes Broughton. Erection of 12 no. Dwellings (including 4 no. affordable homes) creation of new access off Walcot Lane, associated works, SUD's and landscaping. OBJECTION
W/23/00255/HP Drakes Place, Worcester Road, Drakes Broughton. Single storey rear extension. NO OBJECTION.
W/23/00292/PIP. Thorndon Grove, Windmill Lane, Stoulton. Permission in principle for the construction of up to 2 no. dwellings. OBJECTION.

W/23/00254/PIP Lea Haven, Drakes Broughton. Permission in principle for 1 no. self-buld dwelling. NO OBJECTION.

- b) Applications Approved: W/21/00636/TDC5 Alley Garden, Brickyards Lane. Application for Technical details consent following approval of permission in principle ref 20/00139/PIP for the construction of 2 no. dwellings within domestic curtilage of Alley Garden.

W/22/02124/FUL The Timber Yard, Crabbe Lane, Wadborough. Demolition of existing buildings and erection of one live/work unit.

- c) Applications Refused: N/A

- d) Applications Awaiting comment: N/A

- e) Application Withdrawn: N/A

- f) Planning Committee: 5 Year Land supply

- g) Planning correspondence: Residents regarding 30 houses off Stonebow Road.

It was noted that correspondence had been received from a number of residents. Concerns were raised regarding the storage of Sanctuary Homes top soil on this site and already destroying the habitat. Due to that the planning consideration for destruction of wildlife habitat would not be a big consideration, Cllr Bessant would send all the details to District Councillor Ward to raise with the Planning Dept at WDC. It was also queried by members if TPO's can be put upon the entire orchard, District Councillor Ward would investigate if this was possible.

14.)CORRESPONDENCE

- Sanctuary Homes resident requesting Dog Waste bins – Members agreed to review all the dog and litter bin coverage later in the year to see if it was adequate and to ensure locations are appropriate for all areas including the new housing developments.
- Government consultation on National Planning Policy

15.)INFORMATION AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council will be meeting on **Thursday 6th April 2023** at 7.30pm at Drakes Broughton Village Hall

Meeting closed 9.20pm