BRETFORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th June 2011 in the Memorial Hall

PRESENT:

Cllr R Davis Cllr L Hall Cllr K Wright Cllr A Grant Cllr J Johnson Cllr B Cleaver Cllr J Cleveland Cllr K Carter Cllr N Smith Chairman Vice-Chairman District Councillor

APOLOGIES;

Cllr T Bean

County Councillor

OPEN FORUM:

Several residents attended to make points about the press article that highlighted Bretforton Burial Rules relating to non-residents. They raised questions about why the rule was made and whether it could be changed. Concerns about whether you could be a life long resident and move to downsize and lose your right to be buried. Suggestion that if land shortage was an issue whether the PC could acquire more land? Suggestion that charge could be higher for non residents? Evesham Journal Reporter also attended with regard to this matter. Chair made a brief statement thanking residents for their comments/suggestions. He also outlined the reasons why the rules were made in February 2003. He clarified the life of the BG under existing rules and current burial rate. He also calculated the life if the BG was open to all. Confirmed that PC would look into other land opportunities and carry out a full review of rules.

Two residents attended to raise concerns about the location of the possible allotments.

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County Council:

No report

District Council:

No report

MINUTES:

Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th May 2011 had been circulated and were approved and signed.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

OPEN FORUM ITEMS.

PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION. Clerk;

Lloyds TSB Savings Rates-Fixed deposit has now been set up attracting gross interest at a higher rate as previously agreed.

Chairman;

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

- i. Allotments- Feedback from residents recently contacted is that they have concerns about the look of the allotments in the centre of the village. Concerns also about the access and the land being used for youths in the evening. There is a large support for allotments but worries about the location. Suggestion that another location be considered. Councillors to contact landowners. Vice-Chair may have a contact with land available. Suggestion that land be rented anyway as part of greening of the village. Next agenda.
- **ii. Red Telephone Boxes-** No conclusion on use for them. Clerk to contact BT to get a price to disconnect power supply so as to consider moving boxes.
- **iii.** Website- Cllr Cleveland agreed to look at website with a view to updating it and including more information. Clerk to obtain passwords. Proposed by Cllr Davis. Seconded by Cllr Wright.
- **iv.** Lengthsman- i.List of tasks to be made. Budget provided by WCC needs to be used each year. Clerk to include lengthsman at the end of agenda each month alongside other village issues.

ii. Flowers Planters- Cllr Smith has acquired half barrels and slabs to put planters at each end of village under Bretforton signs. Ask lengthsman to carry out work.

- v. Village Hall- Clerk has been contacted by secretary as been 12months since they gave notice of their retirements from the committee. Send letter asking for a meeting to handover details of management to PC. Cllrs Hall and Johnson agreed to take this role. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Johnson.
- vi. Street Light Rolling Programme- Clerk has list of next section of lights to be replaced. However, she has been in discussion with engineer as some lamps are higher priority. Proposed that put on next agenda to assess priority lights.
- vii. Retired Councillors-Clerk provided information about nominating a Councillor for a UK Honour. Letters of support are required. Several members of village will be contacted to provide letters for next meeting.
- viii. Burial Ground- i. Shed Break-in. The shed has recently been broken into but nothing has been taken and there is no damage. Police have been informed.

ii. Complaint-Detailed in Open Forum. Clerk to obtain information from other PC's regarding their rules and fees for next meeting. Chair to investigate other land. Letter to be sent to FD expressing disappointment in their part of process also letter to professional body governing FD's. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Wright. All in favour.

iii. A new wheelie bin has been positioned in BG. Ask lengthsman to remove old wire bins.

Wychavon District Council

- **i. SHLAA-** Letter read out. DC is attending meeting and will report back at next PC meeting.
- **ii.** Training event-date passed

Worcestershire County Council.

i. Public notice, draft order and statement of reason re B4035 speed limit

CALC -

PLANNING - APPLICATIONS:

Parish Council comments recorded on Planning Register

Ms Hammond, Location; Barn @Brook Farm, Station Road, Bretforton. Change of use of redundant building to secure caravan storage

APPROVAL: APPEAL: WITHDRAWN;

- **REFUSED:**
- OTHER ITEMS –
- ENFORCEMENT

CORRESPONDENCE For Information. <u>Publications</u>

The Clerk magazine Countryside Voice

CLERKS REPORT on Urgent Decisions Since Last Meeting.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS & ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA.

Village Fete Stoneford Lane-car park

ROADS/FOOTWAYS/GREENING OF THE VILLAGE:

Potholes –
Street Lights.
Other Items- i.Trees opposite Memorial Hall need trimming. Send letter.
ii. Hedge at Cottage Shop Lane needs trimming. Send letter.
iii. Posts in The Cross have been damaged. Send letter to coach company and ask

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Finance:		May 2011.	
Income:	£	Expenditure:	£
Opening Balance:	11236.67	A Evans	231.33
Investment Account	25871.11	A Evans/audit 12hrs	119.29
Interest	.80	Terry Miles/audit	250.00
Bret Silver band	200.00	Eon	156.00
		NPower	628.90
		Worcs Calc	417.24
		Limebridge	637.20
		Eon	3962.65
		Ohl	13.34
		Bret PCC	280.00
		J Johnson	6.03

Invoices to be approved:

A Evans-Salary	248.53
Limebridge	1152.00
M Parkinson (Silver band)	249.00
Aon Insurance	869.48
Ian Tomlinson	276.50
A Evans/Audit	19.88
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Invoices and payments approved for settlement. Proposed by Cllr Hall .Seconded by Cllr Johnson. Meeting closed at 9.25pm

Date of the next meeting; 11th July 2011.

Signed:

Date: