

BRETFORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on
Monday 12th November 2012
in the Memorial Hall

PRESENT:

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| Cllr R Davis | Chairman |
| Cllr L Hall | Vice-Chairman |
| Cllr J Johnson | |
| Cllr J Cleveland | |
| Cllr K Carter | |
| Cllr A Grant | |
| Cllr T Bean | County Councillor |

APOLOGIES;

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| Cllr K Wright | District Councillor |
| Cllr N Smith | |

OPEN FORUM:

Two residents attended in relation to the housing on Station Road to provide an update.
Chair of Governors to Bretforton School attended to update Bretforton Parish Council on the implications of Government funding cuts.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

County Council:

Cllr Bean expressed concerns about school funding in rural areas.
Clerk raised the matter of 'o' licences with Cllr Bean and the continued issues with parking along New Street opposite Orchard Close.

District Council:

No Report.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th October 2012 Circulated and were approved and signed.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Cllr Davis-Planning application for Mr R Peats & Mr Zidani-Agent.
Cllr Grant-Gardening Club.

OPEN FORUM ITEMS.

Housing on Station Road.

PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION.

Clerk;

- Clerk had provided Cllrs with budget to agree precept for 2013/14. Budget was approved. Proposed by Cllr Cleveland. Seconded by Cllr Carter. Precept was agreed to remain at £23500 for 2013/14. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Johnson.
- A vote was taken on Parish Councillor Vacancy. Mr Paul Lisney was voted onto Parish Council with 5 votes. Send letters to advise.
- Clerk advised that Cllr Hall would be retiring from Parish Council in April 2013. She will be sadly missed.

Chairman;

- It was proposed and agreed to contact Dave Nash, Planning and provide details of proposed projects should Section 106 funds become available.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Allotments- Nothing further to report.

Parish Plan- Cllrs had looked at link provided by Clerk. Nothing further to add.

Questionnaires are to be divided between Cllr Cleveland and Carter and they will input information onto spreadsheet. Clerk to print further copies for residents that haven't received one.

Tree Planting- Two quotations received to purchase trees and plant. Quote from Ancient Oaks of £1600 was approved. Proposed by Cllr Carter. Seconded by Cllr Grant. Send letters.

Burial Ground-i. Weed Clearing. Several graves have weeds growing. Request that contractor clears as part of grass cutting.

ii. Memorial Repairs. Two quotes have been received to carry out the work on several memorials. Proposed to accept quote from Willcox Granite at a total of £2310. Work to be carry out in order of risk. Proposed by Cllr Cleveland. Seconded by Cllr Carter. All in favour.

iii. Copy of Deeds Request. Agreed. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Grant. All in favour.

iv. Letter has been sent to Diocese Registrar.

v. Gate has been fitted with slow close spring. Diary for future agenda to consider the replacement of gates.

Amenity Mowing- Awaiting list from Worcs CC. Next agenda.

Sports club- i. Storage. Chair and Clerk attended site visit regarding storage unit.

Chair will prepare planning application for storage. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Cleveland. All in favour.

ii. Letter of objection to storage has been received from The Grange.

Suggested that plans are shown to The Grange.

iii. Rent/Lease. Review due. Usually for three years. Proposal to increase to total of £800 and request independent assessment of rent so as to ensure that rent is correct. Therefore will be for one year. Proposed by Cllr Johnson. Seconded by Cllr Hall. Request from Sports Club that rent be paid three times per year. Proposed to pay by standing order either quarterly or three times per year. Proposed by Cllr Grant. Seconded by Cllr Cleveland. Email Sports Club to confirm.

Letter from Harris Lamb. Letter received to consider funds from housing development be used to enhance existing play equipment and to adopt open space. Clerk to email and arrange meeting.

Trees-Station Road. TPO has been lifted from Oak Trees. PC have been asked by Wychavon to consider funding an annual inspection of trees at an approximate cost of £700 per year. This would need approval from landowner. Chair to contact landowner to ask permission and

request that trees are not felled until after inspection. Proposed by Cllr Johnson. Seconded by Cllr Cleveland.

School Funding. Dealt with in Open Forum.

Bretforton Gardening Club. Club have agreed to maintain and plant village planters.

Donation of £50 to be made to club this year and any costs incurred. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Johnson. To be reviewed annually.

Wychavon District Council

- i. Community Recognition awards-Nominations.** Councillors to consider award for decision at December meeting.
- ii. Parish Precept-Dealt with above.**
- iii. Members Conduct Committee date.**
- iv. Localism act-Documentation as Parish Council Dispensation Form.**

Worcestershire County Council.

- i. Winter Maintenance Service & Grit Bins.** None required.
- ii. Worcestershire Minerals Local Plan-** Chair to read.
- iii. Demand Faster Broadband.-** Displayed.

CALC – Declaration of Pecuniary Interest to agree budget for precept & guidelines to increase precept amount. Emailed to all Councillors to complete and be held by Clerk until May 2015. ANY COUNCILLOR WHO HAS NOT YET RETURNED FORM MUST DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Cilca- Clerk requested approval of fee to commence CILCA training to be shared with Badsey PC. Proposed by Cllr Grant. Seconded by Cllr Carter. All in favour.

PLANNING - APPLICATIONS:

Parish Council comments recorded on Planning Register

Mr M Zidani, 41 Main Street, Bretforton

Conversion of Dovecote to ancillary accommodation.

APPROVAL:

Mr R Peats, 18 Ashwin Court, Bretforton

Rear Extension.

APPEAL:

WITHDRAWN;

- **REFUSED:**

- **OTHER ITEMS –**

- **ENFORCEMENT**

CORRESPONDENCE For Information.

Publications

Clerks & Councils Direct

Worcestershire Events Diary 2013.

Countryside Voice.

Abbey Bridge Update.

CLERKS REPORT on Urgent Decisions Since Last Meeting.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS & ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA.

ROADS/FOOTWAYS/GREENING OF THE VILLAGE:

Potholes i.

Street Lights

Other Items- i. Two marker post on Weston Road.

ii. Sweeper required along New Street.

iii. Dog Fouling-Clayfield Road.

Lengthsman Tasks

Finance:

October 2012.

| Income: | £ |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance: | 21521.73 |
| Investment Account | 10878.76 |
| Fixed Deposit | 15159.12+Int |
| Interest | .35 |

| Expenditure: | £ |
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| A Evans | 248.53 |
| A Evans/Expenses | 160.88 |
| Joseph King | 260.00 |
| Joseph King | 40.00 |
| Burial Fee x2 | 50.00 |
| OHL Stationers | 27.05 |
| Limebridge | 883.20 |
| Printer Cartridge | 14.99 |

Deposits

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| Simply Stone | 50.00 |
| Cllr K Wright/Mugs | 10.50 |

Invoices to be approved:

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| A Evans | 248.53 |
| NPower D/D | 594.47 |
| Chris Hemming | 108.00 |
| Vale Gardens-C Hemming | 10.58 |
| British Legion Wreath | 50.00 |
| Limebridge Rural services | 514.80 |
| Zoe Sinclair | 47.00 |
| C Hemming | 20.00 |
| Bretforton Gardening Club | 50.00 |

Invoices and payments approved for settlement. Proposed by Cllr Hall. Seconded by Cllr Grant. All in favour. Meeting closed at 10.00pm

Date of the next meeting; 10^h December 2012.

Signed:

Date: