

# BRETFORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019.  
At the Memorial Hall, Bretforton.

## PRESENT:

Cllr J Cleveland	Vice-Chairman
Cllr R Davis	Chairman
Cllr G Collins	
Cllr A Grant	
Cllr K Carter	
Cllr N Smith	

## APOLOGIES:

Cllr J Johnson

## OPEN FORUM:

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

### County Council:

See report which is displayed, when supplied, on school noticeboard and at [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/myparish](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/myparish).

### District Council:

No report.

## MINUTES:

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 were circulated. Proposed by Cllr Cleveland, Seconded by Cllr Smith. All in favour to accept the minutes.

## OPEN FORUM ITEMS:

- **Village security-dealt with in item 4.**

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

- a. Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- c. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their (Councillor Councillors with pecuniary interests must leave the room for the relevant item(s)).

Cllr Grant-Item 1b- Pecuniary Interest.  
Cllrs Davis, Carter, Smith and Cleveland- Item 3.

## PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION.

### Clerk;

- **Burial Ground Annual Audit** - The annual audit of burial ground entries was carried out by Cllrs Collins and Cleveland with no concerns raised.
- Burial Ground Fixed deposit has been re-investment until April 2019.

### Chairman;

## FINANCE:

1.

# Bank Account Reconciled Statement

**Lloyds Bank Current Account**      **01875579**      **30-93-11**  
Statement Number      23  
Statement Opening Balance      £6,456.78      Opening Date      02/12/18  
Statement Closing Balance      £5,794.39      Closing Date      02/01/19  
True/ Cashbook Closing Balance      £5,794.39

Date	Cheque/ Ref.	Supplier/ Customer	Debit (£)	Credit (£)	Balance (£)
03/12/18	BACS181203BSC	Bretforton Sports Club	0.00	67.00	6,523.78
06/12/18	002219	Andy Tyrrell	40.00	0.00	6,483.78
10/12/18	BACS181210AE	Andrea Evans	427.58	0.00	6,056.20
11/12/18	BACS181211AE	Multiple Suppliers/ Customers	106.47	0.00	5,949.73
14/12/18	002231	Maurice Parkinson	25.00	0.00	5,924.73
14/12/18	002232	Maurice Parkinson	48.00	0.00	5,876.73
18/12/18	002233	Vale Gardens	40.64	0.00	5,836.09
19/12/18	002230	HMRC	107.00	0.00	5,729.09
27/12/18	002228	SLCC	89.00	0.00	5,640.09
28/12/18	500280	Martin Grinnell	0.00	180.00	5,820.09
31/12/18	002227	Bretforton Memorial Hall	19.90	0.00	5,800.19
31/12/18	BACS181231AE	Andrea Evans	5.80	0.00	5,794.39

## Bretforton Parish Council

### Expenditure transactions - payments approval list start of year 01/04/18

Tn no	Cheque	Gross	Heading	Invoice date	Details	Cheque
134	002234	£50.00	21400	14/01/19	British Poppy Appeal – Wreath	£50.00
135	002235	£95.00	20500	14/01/19	Phil Moxon - Defib & play area	£95.00
137	002237	£201.00	20500	14/01/19	Westcotec Ltd - VAS batteries	£201.00

138	002238	£168.00	20200	14/01/19	Eon UK Ltd - Street Light repairs	£168.00
139	002239	£96.00	20500	14/01/19	Maurice Parkinson - Strimming weeds Blowing footpaths	£96.00
140	002240	£98.00	21300	14/01/19	Maurice Parkinson - Lenthsmen/VAS	£98.00
143	D/D190123 NP	£1,238.85	20200	23/01/19	Npower – Electricity	£1,238.85
<b>Total</b>						£2,949.86

**Invoices and payments approved for settlement including account balances and payments.  
Proposed by Cllr Cleveland, Seconded by Cllr Grant. All in favour.**

- 2. Precept 2019-20.** Discussion took place with regard to the precept, Cllr Smith proposed, seconded by Cllr Cleveland with a unanimous vote in favour to increase the precept request to £34000 which translates into an increase of £3.62 per annum for a tax band D property.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.**

- 1. Burial Ground-**
  - a. Rules- Discussion took place to amend the wording to incorporate a wider group than residents currently living in Bretforton Parish. Cllr Smith Proposed, seconded by Cllr Cleveland with a unanimous vote in favour that in principle the wording could be amended but that the exact wording would be agreed at February meeting.
  - b. BG gardening applicants- Two applicants have been received for the gardening/maintenance of the BG with effect from March 2019. Cllr Smith proposed with a unanimous vote in favour to offer both applicants the role at a fee of £35 each per month with one as the gardener and the other as maintenance. It was agreed that clerk would meet with them to discuss the arrangement. It was agreed to order a brown bin for garden rubbish and to request Andy Tyrrell to sand down and varnish benches.
2. Parish Games Signs- Data has been received from Wychavon Sports and Worcs CC will work with PC to design signs.
3. Assets of Community Value- Bretforton Social Club- Next agenda.
4. Village security measures as proposed by West Mercia Police-It was agreed to purchase two solar powered LED sensor activated battery operated lights for Stoneford Lane and initially one CCTV camera.
5. Dog Poo- Ivy lane- Issues have again been raised by residents about the huge amount of dog poo left in entrances to properties along Ivy Lane, it is believed that at least one of the offenders is known, cctv cameras have been suggested as a solution. PC has installed more bins and has put constant notices in the magazine. It was agreed to contact Wychavon for any proven ideas in other areas and to contact dog warden, resident to be advised of action.
6. Update with regard to proposed development by Rooftop - PC have been invited to meet with Rooftop to receive feedback from resident's surveys and progress.

**Wychavon District Council.**

1. Un-allocated NHB funding- Letter has been received from Wychavon advising all PC's that any un-allocated funds need ideally to have been applied for by 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019. If this is not possible, Wychavon should be contacted. Clerk has done this and the funds are earmarked, however, PC and applicants need to be mindful that these funds could be re-allocated to other community projects. It was agreed to contact applicants to move idea forward.

**Worcestershire County Council.**

CALC –

PLANNING – APPLICATIONS:

**Parish Council comments recorded on Planning Portal.**

**Applications for Consideration:**

**W/18/02498/FUL- 128 Weston Road, Bretforton.**

Full Planning application for the change of use of ancillary residential accommodation approved under W/16/2377/CU to holiday let (retrospective).

**W/18/02613/HP- Lyndhurst, 116 Weston Road, Bretforton.**

Single storey rear extension.

**REFUSED:**

**APPROVAL:**

**W/18/01265/HP, Millington House, 30 Weston Road, Bretforton.**

Extension and remodelling of existing detached House and ancillary Works.

**APPEAL:**

**WITHDRAWN;**

- **OTHER ITEMS**

- **ENFORCEMENT-**

**CORRESPONDENCE For Information.**

**Publications**

**CLERKS REPORT on Urgent Decisions Since Last Meeting.**

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS & ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA.**

- **Memorial Hall Committee.**
- **Oak Posts.**
- **Solar panel-dealt with.**
- **Village Gate designs-Dealt with.**
- **Tree maintenance-Dealt with.**

**Meeting closed at 9.10pm**

**Date of the next meeting; 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019.**

Signed: .....

Date: .....

**County Councillor Report- Bretforton**  
**Month: January 2019**  
**Prepared by Alastair Adams**  
**Littletons Division, Worcestershire County Council**

I hope you had a great Christmas, and I wish you all a very prosperous New Year.

At this time of the year both District Council and County Council are looking at budgets for next year.

**County Council Tax – Budget 2019/20**

Councillor Simon Geraghty, the Leader of Worcestershire County Council, said:

*" An extra £14 million is proposed to be invested into adult social care whilst an additional £7.7 million is to be invested into children's social care next year. Spending on social care currently accounts for around 70 per cent of the Council's budget.*

*The Budget that we are proposing includes significant investments into adult social care and into improving the lives of the county's children and young people. We also intend to continue to support measures to grow the local economy, improve our infrastructure to tackle congestion and redesign this organisation to ensure that we live within our means.*

*In 2019/20 £50 million of capital investment will be made available for projects to support economic growth, infrastructure / regeneration and organisational transformation. This is in addition to funds already allocated to maintaining the county's roads and bridges, reducing congestion and delivering improvements for cyclists and pedestrians.*

*It is proposed that Council Tax will be increased by 2.99% to support the general budget and by 1% ring fenced for Adult Social Care.*

*The increase is the equivalent to 93p per week extra on a Band D property. "*

**District Council Tax – Budget 2019/20**

The District Council is looking to increase their portion of council tax by a maximum of 2%, but there are discussions going on to have a zero increase.

**New Bin lorries**

The new waste collection service with all new lorries and improved recycling is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> month, and progress is good.

The confirmed weights for the materials collected during October were 0.66 tonnes of textiles and 0.502 tonnes of batteries.

To put the numbers into some sort of perspective, 0.502 tonnes of batteries is approximately 21,000 AA batteries.. We will keep you updated on these collections in future round-ups.

For more information about the new waste collection service and what new items you can recycle, please see the website, <https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/refuse> You can also click on the "Bin collection calendar " and then enter in your post code to find out what days your bins will be collected.

**Upgrading the railway platforms at Honeybourne**

The platforms have been made longer at Honeybourne station so up to 7 carriages can open their doors.

More information on the rail service is available on <https://www.gwr.com/> to buy tickets at discounted rates and to find out about any planned maintenance on the lines that might affect your journey.

### **Highways:**

Worcestershire County Council's winter season has started and gritting becomes the main task for Highways. Worcestershire County Council currently has 14,700 tonnes of salt in storage, and 32 gritter trucks (costing £120k each) to keep our roads clear and safe. So far this winter it has been mild and only 9 grit runs have occurred, but the Beast from the East is expected to come back in February so a cold spell may be on the horizon. More information on the gritting routes, the location of the WCC yellow gritting bins and lots more information can be found on the following link; - [http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20007/travel\\_and\\_roads/381/gritting\\_ice\\_and\\_snow](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20007/travel_and_roads/381/gritting_ice_and_snow)

1. **An extra £6.6m has been allocated to WCC from central government to help repair pot holes.**
2. **Flooding on the B4035 New Street Bretforton near the junction with Honeybourne Rd –** Highways visited Bretforton last month and jetted all the gullies along this stretch of road. They also said “We'll monitor the location during the winter months and check the viability (and check levels) of trying to get an extra gully or two installed at this location. We are also planning to return to the area in a couple of weeks to check 'problem gullies' elsewhere along this section of road and obtain more survey info for the Bretforton area”
3. **Road Closure C2099 Sheenhill Road, South Littleton 25/02 - 27/02**
4. **To close part of B4085 Cleeve Road, Middle Littleton from its junction with B4510 Cleeve Road to Three Cocks Lane on to its junction with C2050 Long Hyde Road in order to facilitate new culvert crossing works by WCC from 4<sup>th</sup> February.**

As always, if you have any issues on any Highways matters, please report it on the WCC website [http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report\\_it](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report_it)

Also remember a photo of the Highways problem is as good as “a thousand words” so always take a photo where possible.

### **Divisional Fund - Grants requested/paid this month:-**

If you run a local Community organisation and need a grant for some vital equipment or service, then please feel free to apply for one from the Divisional Fund by contacting me at [adams.pebworth@gmail.com](mailto:adams.pebworth@gmail.com)

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