

Minutes of the Annual Brogborough Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 which followed the Annual Parish Meeting which started at 7.15pm.

Due to Corona 19 Governmental Regulations, face to face meetings are unable to be held until further notice so this meeting was held by Zoom Conference Facilities.

Present: Cllrs T Elsdon, P Hinson, A Moss, J Newberry, D Tuitt, N Wright, V Woodward and Mrs Lyman –The Clerk and 0 residents.

In attendance: CB Cllrs K Matthews & R Morris.

2541. **To elect the Chairman:**

Cllr Hinson was nominated as Chairman by Cllr Moss. This was seconded by Cllr Newberry with all in agreement. There being no further nominations, Cllr Hinson agreed to sign the Declaration of Acceptance and took the chair.

2542. **To receive apologies:**

Apologies were received from: CB Cllr S Clark.

2543. **To elect Vice Chairman:**

Cllr Newberry was proposed by Cllr Moss. This was seconded by Cllr Hinson with all in agreement. There being no further nominations, Cllr Newberry accepted the position of Vice Chairman.

2544. **To elect Portfolio Holders:**

Open Spaces:	Cllr Moss
Village Amenities:	Cllrs Newberry
Play Equipment Inspection:	Cllr Tuitt
Newsletter:	Cllr Hinson will produce it but needs help with copy for it. It was agreed to produce a newsletter as and when required.
Footpaths: (Need not be a Cllr)	Cllr Wright
Village Hall Liaison	Cllr Tuitt
Homewatch Co-Ordinator (Police Liaison):	Cllr Tuitt
Website:	The Clerk
Grasscutting Co-Ordinator: (Need not be a Cllr)	Cllr Hinson & Cllr Newberry. Contractors are cutting the grass at the moment and it was agreed this should be the way forward. (Michael doing the large areas and Louws Landscaping doing the rest around the village).

2545. **To accept Minutes of the previous meeting:**

It was *RESOLVED* to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and they will be duly signed.

2546. **To discuss Matters Arising:**

2432c Street Lighting – CBC possible ownership: CB Cllr Matthews says the contact is now Andy Clark. CB Cllr Matthews said he had received no response from Andy Clarke. As we haven't heard from him either, CB Cllr Matthews said he would speak to Andy Clarke's Manager. CB Cllr Matthews still can't get to talk to anyone so this is ongoing. **Action: KM**

2439a A resident said it would help if the footpath by the roundabout in the area of 21 Ridgway Road could be altered as vehicles are going on the grass and also damaging the kerb stones

because they cant get round the roundabout properly. At present it is not easy for residents who need walking aids either. Cllr Moss has spoken to John Chandler at CBC as have Cllr Tuitt and Richard Ashdown but John has not come back to any of them. Cllr Moss will follow this up again. John Chandler had responded to the phone call and has sent respective issues to relevant departments. This also includes 2468J below. Nothing further has been heard. This is ongoing.

**Action: AM**

(2468j Regarding the water issues, it is known that tree routes are blocking part of the drain. There is also another problem with water by the Chinese Takeaway. Cllr Moss was advised to speak to Jack Bowers - CBC Highways Liaison Officer. CB Cllr Matthews was asked to take this up so he will contact Jack Bowers and John Chandler).

**Action: KM**

Cllrs Moss & Elsdon reported 27 items using 'Fix my Street'. Now they will check to see if anything has been actioned. Some white paint has appeared round holes. CB Cllr Matthews said as a lot of Fix my street responses not being sent out CBC are sorting it.

**Action: AM / TE**

2534 I The garage which is sinking into the ground behind Highfield Crescent: Godbolds insurance Company don't accept that we had work done. Cllr Hinson has sent photos and copy invoice of tree clearance to our insurers. We need them to clarify what they require from the second claim. This should all be left to the insurance companies to sort. The new garage was badly tacked onto the end of the garages (17) when it was done. Mrs Easter was thought to have rented 17 and she took photos of the state of it at the time. The garage is coming away from the others and there is damp egress. Cllr Moss will speak to Mrs Easter. Cllr Hinson will speak to our insurers and explain the situation as far as he can.

**Action: AM / PH**

Godbolds insurance is pushing to procecute us, Our insurance is taking it on and we have had to pay the excess of £250. We need to have a full maintenance record and maintenance contract in the future. Cllr Hinson has been in touch with a tree surgeon and will meet up on Friday. It is to take place annually. It was noted that maintaining our grounds is not an admission of liability.

2547. **Residents requests to Speak:**

**Anything residents wish to discuss must be sent to the Chairman/Clerk at least 3 days before the meeting. A maximum of two minutes will be allowed per item. The item will only discussed once at the meeting and must be relevant to Parish Council business. (Residents have been advised previously of what the PC has no restriction over ie rear access roads, private gardens etc).**

- a) Cllr Woodward said she had spoken to someone regarding the poor communications issues and things had appeared to have improved.
- b) A van is parked in the layby by shops where it is not supposed to be. It is also blocking the view. It has been there 3 weeks. It was agreed to report it to PC Mark Payne. Not known whether it has been abandoned. It could be an enforcement issue so need to speak to Craig Siddle at CBC who will pass it to the appropriate enforcement department. Cllr Moss agreed to take this forward. **Action: AM**
- c) A bug hotel had been suggested for Badgers Meadow and there are now plans to take this forward.
- d) The same resident wants to do a recycling coffee morning. This will make money for charity.
- e) Good things are now taking place regarding the Ringworks.
- f) In the layby by the old picnic site, there is a big boulder which is being used as a toilet area.

We have asked for the area to be closed as the road doesn't go anywhere. HGV's are using it to turn round too which is very dangerous. It is becoming a dumping ground. CB Cllr Clark has been looking into this.

**Action: SC**

g) The cycle way which goes across the top of Badgers Meadow: the trees are becoming overgrown. Prologis cleared it back last time. Cllr Hinson agreed to speak to Steve Haddock – Prologis.

**Action: PH**

h) Cllr Tuitt has been working on the strip of Parish Council owned land to the rear of her house and it is now looking much flatter and tidier. She has been mowing it and taking up bricks etc. Her hard work was much appreciated.

i) A resident had shown concern about the use of bleach which was being used to clean the signage so Cllr Moss had contacted Steve Haddock - Prologis and registered the concern.

j) Cllr Moss had responded to the Gypsy & Traveller Planning Application at Liddlington.

11) Used poo bags are still being left swinging on the tree branches. There are poo bins which should be used.

k) Cllr Moss and Oliver had re-installed the bollard where the container had been. Another resident had tidied the car park and mowed around the verges for which he was thanked.

l) There is a black Vauxhall Corsa being driven dangerously round the village by a young lad. He has been parking on the service road behind Ridgway Road. He meets others on Badgers Meadow and a bag of weed has been found. He may be coming into the village to deal drugs. Unsightly things are being left around the village in various places.

m) We had spoken about getting some signs and there is a company at Stewartby who may be useful. It was thought we may need to sort out exactly what signs we need. Like no parking, care children playing. Cllrs Moss & Tuitt will walk around the village to make suggestions and obtain quotes. This is for safety sake. As the signs will be on CBC Highways owned land, permission will need to be obtained.

n) A zoom meeting was held recently about the Ringworks and the Round House. Mrs Spearing (Ridgmont PC Chair), CB Cllr Clark, Cllr Moss and representatives from Historic England and 4 ladies from CBC attended. Mrs Spearing was on 3 Counties Radio recently as was Nadine Dorries MP. Quite a few people are interested in tidying up the area but we don't own the land.

o) Long term resident Nev Pilgrim passed away recently. Resident would like to put a bench up in his memory, possibly in Badgers Meadow.

p) Local Plan response to the modifications has been submitted. Quite a few residents have also submitted responses. It was felt that it was not clear on what we could respond to. CB Cllr Matthews agreed it did seem unclear but Caroline Danby will ensure that all responses will be forwarded to The Inspectors. CBC needs to make it clear what we can respond to.

#### 2548. **To receive Reports:**

**CB Cllr Matthews:** He will try to progress the outstanding items.

CBC AGM is being held on Thursday of next week and Portfolio Orders may be changed. He will report back at the next meeting.

**CB Cllr Clark:** Unfortunately CB Cllr Clark sent her apologies for this evening but said we should use her Local Plan response as her report for this evening.

**CB Cllr Morris:** Social distancing needs to be observed in the AGM so maybe not all CB Cllrs and Officers may attend.

#### 2549. **To consider Correspondence/Planning:**

No items of correspondence or planning.

#### 2550. **To Accept Finance:**

Approx balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021: Community Account: £200, BPM 1 £46,653.96

BPM 2 £15,472.64

**Expenditure:**

Louws Landscaping Grasscutting	216.00	101134
ATM Mowing	324.00	101135
Mr P Hinson Reimbursement of Insurance claim	250.00	101136
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary - May	114.52	s/o
e.on Monthly Energy Charge	21.46	d/d
	925.98	

2551 **Section 106 Play Equipment Update:**

The Section 106 forms submitted to CBC have now been agreed and the order for the equipment has been placed.

(Red Lynch Leisure quote is for £78,938.30 (inc VAT) which covers safety surfacing in all areas and new equipment in all areas).

The Clerk has re-checked what Section 106 funding the PC has left and it is £53,547.40 leaving the difference of £12,234.60 which it was agreed will come out of Parish Council funds. These figures do not include VAT.

Work on the new equipment / safety surfaces begins tomorrow.

2552. **To confirm Date and Format of the next meeting:**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 7.30pm in The Village Hall. There will not be a meeting in June.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Peter Hinson – Chairman