

Minutes of the Brogborough Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6th February 2019 in the Village Hall, Brogborough which started at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs P Hinson - Chairman, J Newbery, A Moss & Mrs Lyman –The Clerk and 2 residents.

In Attendance: CB Cllrs S Clark & K Matthews and Matt Young (Grantscape).

2332. **To receive apologies:**

Apologies were received from: Cllrs A MacDonald, D Tuitt & M White and CB Cllr R Morris.

Matt Young CEO of Grantscape, attended the meeting to talk about the Rookery South Community Energy Initiative. Mick George Community Fund has a pot of money. Every resident whether a home owner or renter within the 8 parishes can get £60 off of their electricity bill per year. (They have to have been living in the property on 31st December 2018 and have a bank account for the money to be paid into). This will apply to housing and the village hall. This will apply for a 35 years duration which will be index linked. Residents have to be registered by 28th June 2019. Grantscape will write to all relevant homes by 18th February advising how registration can take place. Payment will not start until the scheme begins possibly in 2022. If a resident moves but is still within the area, they can still claim. Covanta are ultimately paying for this.

Although residents will be written to, information will be put in the newsletter, advertised at public events and word of mouth.

Matt was thanked for attending.

2333. **To accept Minutes of the previous meeting:**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 2nd January 2019 and they were duly signed.

2334. **To discuss Matters Arising:**

Regarding the request for possible widening of Ridgway Road to save the verges, CB Cllr Matthews had spoken to the engineer who said an assessment of what is underground would need to be carried out. Nothing will take place this financial year, if at all. **Action: KM**

2291a Dog waste signs: Following a walk round the village, these are to be erected where it was considered they were most needed. This will be carried out by Cllrs Hinson & Moss.

Action: PH/AM

2326d It was noted that where the bridleway crosses the C94 by the entrance to Manor Farm, the wooden fence has been knocked down (possibly by an HGV turning round). As it looks like a boundary fence, CB Cllr Matthews has established it is not the responsibility of CBC Highways so it could be O & H or the Farmer.

2335. **Open Forum:**

Residents will have the chance to raise anything relevant to Parish Council business but they will not be able to discuss the subject more than once. A maximum of 2 minutes per subject will be allowed. Residents were advised of what the PC has no restriction over ie private gardens etc.

The picnic table in the meadow is broken and hazardous. We should consider its removal as a matter of urgency. If the Council thinks fit, it could be replaced with another one like

those we have acquired for the play area. It was agreed to replace the table. Cllrs Hinson & Moss will check what is there are the moment and what might be best then costs can be obtained. **Action: PH/AM**

A resident spoke of the parking issues in Ridgway Road. He also spoke of the 1% increase in Council Tax and the fact that CBC going to set up a trading company to build housing.

It was confirmed that privately owned cctv is not considered eligible as evidence regarding dog fouling. CBC only has 1 dog warden.

Regarding the planning applications for warehousing, the PC has objected on all aspects.

It was noted that water is coming out of the storm drain in Highfield Crescent.

O & S need reminding that the fence at the top end of Badgers Meadow is in the wrong place as they were going to amend it after haymaking last year but it hasn't been done. (Pippa Cheetham). **Action: AM**

Cllr Moss suggested ploughing a small area (in Badgers Meadow) and drop seeds in to feed wild birds. Mick George Community Fund may fund it. **Action: AM**

2336. **To consider Correspondence/Planning:**

CBC: Station Road, Brogborough is to be closed for track inspection 50m either side of the crossing. The closure will take place from 23rd March to 24th March. Between 23:00 – 05:00 the closure will be lifted daily

Andy Muskett Ltd has forwarded the annual street lighting maintenance contract from 1st April 2019 31st March 2020 for the total of £180.00 + VAT. (In 2011 the quote was for £208.40 + VAT – we now have different lights). This is to be accepted.

A new community transport service has been set up by CBC called Greensand Country. This is a service available for anyone over pensionable age or who is unable to use public transport due to their mobility.

Planning:

CB/18/03904/Full Brogborough Manor Farm. Single storey oak framed link side extension. No objection.

Plans for Prologis. As well as writing a letter of objections, it was agreed to be included in a joint letter of objection with Ridgmont And Husborne Crawley Parish Councils.

Amazon light pollution has got worse and complaints have been passed to Prologis who appear to be trying to improve the pollution.

2337. **To Accept Finance:**

Balances as at 31st January 2019: Comm a/c: £200.00 BP a/c: £35,945.01 BP 2 a/c £15,429.36

Income: £410.25 CBC grasscutting contribution

It was **RESOLVED** that the following invoices be paid:

Expenditure:

Andy Muskett Ltd	54.00	101071
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3 rd ¼ st ltg maintenance		
Mrs Lyman	100.52	s/o
Clerks Salary – February		
e.on	17.39	d/d
Monthly Energy Charge January	<u> </u>	
	171.91	

(The Clerk explained that new salary rates for Clerks come into place for 1st April 2019 so as the last years increase bank mandate never came into operation, it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk be paid a lump sum for the last 12 months increase and a new mandate be completed when the new rates are known).

2338. **To receive Reports:**

CB Cllr Clark: Has forwarded the speed restriction plans advising that the scheme should be in place by April 2019. Yellow boxes should be installed when the speed limit comes into being.

Prologis: CB Cllr Clark /CBC planning officer met yesterday and Prologis have come up with some suggestions for the entrance to the village. They want to join up bits of footpath. CBC asking them to put in a footpath all the way down to the cross roads.

Need very clear signage/gates to make sure the HGV's stay out of the village.

Close the layby – if they put footpath in, the layby will close. Bus stop layby could hopefully be closed. The layby on the right going up the hill needs to be closed.

HGV's turn round at the old picnic site entrance and in the dark, it is even more dangerous.

Map of design for weight limit has been received and should be in place by April. 40 mph from the traffic lights into the village.

It doesn't look as though there is any physical narrowing to slow traffic where pedestrians may be crossing. CB Cllr Clark will take the comments back to CBC.

Prologis – if it goes through, what do we want to improve the entrance to the village? Footpaths, signage and gates. Flower boxes sponsorship. English/foreign drivers need to be discouraged from coming through the village. Need an entrance and exit to/from the site but not onto Bedford Road.

CB Cllrs Matthews: will make sure all the other issues are covered ie yellow lines etc. (Paul Salmon has said the yellow lines will be completed in March 2019). **Action: KM**

The Executive met yesterday and recommended Council tax be increased by 1%. Childrens and adult service will be enhanced anyway. Re efficient ways of doing things and saving money. It is not known what the Police Precept will be. Cctv being installed to help with rubbish.

Dawson Freight: CB Cllr Matthews said this hasn't been determined yet but he is aware that a lot of concern has been expressed.

The housing planning application has been re-vamped (Lee Butler & Sam Franklin) which has made it more favourable.

A letter of complaint had been received from a resident regarding cars being parked on the verge outside of his house. When he contacted CBC they advised him that he could put

stakes in the verge. Services are shallow so care must be taken. CB Cllr Matthews took the letter and will check at CBC. **Action: KM**

CB Cllr Morris: No report available.

Neighbourhood Watch: Another car has been scratched in Highfield Crescent.

2339. **Play Equipment:**

The forms for the Section 106 funding are to be completed and forwarded to CBC.

2340. **To confirm Date of the next meeting:**

Wednesday 6th March 2019 starting at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Peter Hinson - Chairman