Minutes of the Brogborough Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in the Village Hall, Brogborough which started at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs P Hinson - Chairman, D Harris, A Moss, J Newberry, D Tuitt, V Woodward & N Wright, Lyn Lyman - Clerk and 1 resident.

In attendance: CB Cllrs S Clark & R Morris.

## 2444. To receive apologies:

Apologies were received from: CB Cllr Matthews.

## 2445. To accept Minutes of the previous meeting:

It was *RESOLVED* to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and they were duly signed.

## 2446. To discuss Matters Arising:

Container Break-in: The Clerk has spoken to the insurance company and agreed a settlement figure for items which were stolen from the container. The insurance company need to see a copy of the original registration document. As The Clerk doesn't have it, Cllr Hinson agreed to speak to Michael at ATM.

\*\*Action: PH\*\*

Traffic signals are still out of sync on Bedford Road. (Report number 330028 & 332071). As this is still wrong, it is to be reported yet again. (Subsequent report number 334794). CB Cllr Matthews agreed to follow this up but as he wasn't present there was no report. *Action: KM* 

2417b Greensand Country Gateway signs: This is ongoing (Cllr Moss). Action: AM

2432c Street Lighting – CBC possible ownership: The Clerk had contacted at CBC again but no response has been received. CB Cllr Matthews agreed to follow this up.

Action: KM

2433 A Scrap business seems to be running in one of the garages to the rear of Highfield Crescent. Cllr Hinson had made contact with the garage owner but they said they only lease the garages out, they are not concerned with what they do with them. CB Cllr Matthews agreed to invite the Enforcement Officer to check out what appears to be happening.

\*\*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. As present it is not easy for residents who need walking aids either. Cllr Hinson agreed to report this to Highways.

\*\*Action: PH\*\*

2439c Security Lights are not working properly on the footpath by the brook. Cllr Tuitt agreed to check if the column has a number on it so that this can be reported to Prologis. Cllr Hinson has contacted Prologis.

2440a Prospective insurance claim regarding a damaged garage allegedly by a tree which is on Parish Council owned land. Cllr Hinson and Michael of ATM have had a look at the situation and it was thought that the tree is not close enough to the garage to have done any damage. The previous re-building was not carried out properly. The garage was never put on a concrete base. Michael suggested that we got a machine to dig out a trench to find exactly where the roots of the tree in question went. The tree is about 10 ft away from the garage. The claim papers have been passed to our insurers. They have asked if we have a maintenance programme for the trees in

place – a maintenance schedule has never been needed before and are self-set trees. The garages were built direct onto clay in 1963 and clay is likely to subside anyway. At the time surveyors would have checked if there were any trees at the time of purchase. We now await the insurance company to take this forward. The garages were considered to be temporary structures with no foundations.

# 2447. 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).

P Cllr Harris had spoken to Debbie Willcox about the Dawson Freight application. It will go to committee but the decision will not be known until April. Freya Dawson wanted to attend a PC meeting this evening but couldn't make it so she is to be invited to attend the March Meeting.

Action: LL

P Cllr Woodward complained about the drivers attitudes regarding the temporary traffic lights and them driving through the red lights. Gas pipes are being laid to the Prologis building at the traffic lights and they will be going up to the top of the hill. Average speed cameras were discussed as a deterrent but it is not CBC's policy to use these.

## 2448. To receive Reports:

#### CB Cllr Matthews:

Regarding the blocked /broken drain opposite the village hall and the fact that the village hall had flooded: The Clerk had contacted Mark MacDonald but had not received any response. CB Cllr Matthews had agreed to follow this up. Subsequently it had happened again. *Action: KM* 

#### CB Cllr Clark:

As the original HGV ban order was never sealed, new orders are being made by CBC for Bedford Road from Marston Moretaine. The notice will need to be published again before it can be sealed.

The next Marston Vale Stakeholder meeting takes place on 24<sup>th</sup> February. We need to make comments on the draft development brief. Cllr Tuitt agreed to make copies of the document so that comments could be made. Cllr Hinson & subsequently Cllr Moss and the Clerk will attend the meeting.

### CB Cllr Morris:

Spoke of the 'Schools for the Future' consultation which will affect Brogborough. The Fulbrook Triangle – bring to two tier schools, federate Husborne Crawley, Ridgmont and Woburn Lower School which will become one primary school. They are considering bussing 4 year olds together with 10 year olds which is a terrible idea. The Consultation end in early April. We need to make our comments – the document can be downloaded from the CBC website. Various issues were discussed.

*Neighbourhood Watch:* Nothing further to report.

#### 2449. To consider Correspondence/Planning:

No items.

## Planning:

No items.

## 2450. To Accept Finance:

Approx balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020: Community Account: £200, BPM 1 £40,487.53 BPM 2 £15,452.45

## **Expenditure:**

Mrs Lyman Re Wix.com website	86.40	101104
Jed Gibson Setting up of new website	150.00	101105
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary – February	114.52	s/o
Eon Monthly Energy Charge - Feb	21.46	d/d
	372.38	

Jed Gibson set up the new pc website free of charge and has offered to continue help if required so the Clerk suggested that he should be paid for his time and the fact that he is willing to support her for as long as required. It was unanimously agreed to pay Jed £ 150.

## 2451. Section 106 Play Equipment Update:

The Section 106 forms are now in the process of being completed. (The hall is owned by the village but run by the Village Hall committee) and still has allocation of £8,993.93 (Sarah Hughes CBC).

Red Lynch Leisure quote is for £78,938.30 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 £53,766.47 leaving the difference of £25,171.83. If the Parish Council pays this difference, it will leave £15,315.70 in the BPM 1 account. It was agreed to go ahead.

\*\*Action: LL\*\*

The Clerk agreed to check what Section 106 funding is left for the village hall. Action: LL

#### 2452. To confirm Date of the next meeting:

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Apologies were received from Cllr Woodward.

Meeting closed at 9.21pm.