

Minutes of the Brogborough Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6th October 2022 held in Brogborough Village Hall which started at 7.30pm.

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

In Attendance: CB Cllrs S Clark.

2654. To receive apologies:

Apologies were received from: Cllrs T Elsdon, V Woodward, N Wright and CB Cllr K Matthews.

2655. To accept Minutes of the previous meeting:

It was *RESOLVED* to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 7th September 2022 and they were duly signed.

2656. To discuss Matters Arising:

2432c Street Lighting – CBC possible ownership: CB Cllr Matthews says he has made contact with Andy Clarke at CBC. What is required from the PC is a list of all street lights, their precise location (address and post code if possible), whether the column is metal or concrete and, if known, the type of lamp fitting. CBC will then undertake a survey and determine if any of the columns are able to be re-used, followed by the cost of bringing them up to standard, including LED lighting, for CBC adoption. Cllr Tuitt has produced a list which Cllr Hinson has sent to Andy Clarke at CBC. Cllr Hinson agreed to forward a copy of the e.mail to CB Cllr Clark who agreed to follow this up. This is ongoing. **Action: SC**

2547g) The cycle way which goes across to the Blue Bridge: the trees have become overgrown. Prologis cleared it back last time so Cllr Hinson spoke to Steve Haddock – Prologis. Steve Haddock says he has done the work up to their boundary. The rest is up to O & H as landowners. (Bidwells are the Land Agents). Cllr Moss has contacted Bidwells but no work has been carried out as yet. Cllr Moss has spoken to them again and they are working out who owns which pieces of land. Fence posts have been put in but no further work has taken place. Cllr Moss will chase this up again. **Action: AM**

2623c Recreation Ground fencing quote. Cambia have amended the quote: Supply and erect the new fence round the play area - £6468. After discussion it was agreed Cllr Tuitt should go ahead and place an order. This should take place on 3rd December. **Action: DT**

2621d Fix my street, items reported haven't been done but have been taken off the Fix my Street listing so Cllr Elsdon will report them again. 4 potholes have been left. Cllr Tuitt advised that the signs have been removed from outside the shop and overgrowth has been cut back.

2630b Toddlers Play Area: Cllr Tuitt is concerned about the tar mac which is lifting and grass is coming through which could form a trip hazard. It apparently needs attention every couple of years. Cllr Moss agreed to speak to Neil at Redlynch and ask them to come back and check it out. Safety surface under the tyre needs infill as the tiles are coming apart. Cllr Moss agreed to check. Company not answering e.mail etc. **Action: AM**

Street Lighting Column o/s 44 Highfield Crescent: The resident living at 44 Highfield Crescent has asked if the column could be moved slightly to enable better vehicular access to his property. He already has a dropped kerb. Andy Muskett has quoted £980.00 + VAT. If the resident wants

it moved, he will have to pay for it. There may need to be a consultation with neighbours. This would need to be confirmed by Highways/consultation? CB Cllr Morris had agreed to advise of a contact at CBC to see if we can proceed or not. **Action: RM**

Kerbs have been run over so much that that are flattened. This is to be reported to Fix my Street by Cllr Elsdon and is ongoing. **Action: TE**

It has been noted that two of the pieces of the sports equipment are coming out of the ground. The suppliers have been contacted. The company were re-assessing the work which needs to be carried out. It obviously needs installing deeper. Two men were sent to do the work last week and were given 1 hr to do it, where it would need at least a whole day so the equipment has still not been re-installed. They know what pieces need to be re-fitted so should have the correct equipment/staffing. We have been advised that they will be coming out to refit the equipment on 3rd November. Cllr Hinson will ask if they can come along sooner than 3rd November).

Action: PH

2657. **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).

Resident: House in Highfield Crescent has become infested with blue bottles etc as it is empty. Resident had advised Environmental Health but nothing has happened. Subsequently it is being cleared by a member of the family.

The next Covanta meeting takes place on 17th October at 6pm.

Grasscutting at village hall. It will be added to the invoice when it has been done. This is to be paid by PC when we know how much. Add to the contract for future.

A resident is fly tipping behind his house onto parish council land behind Ridgway Road. Cllr Moss will speak to the resident. **Action: AM**

Delivery of bricks has been on Highfield Crescent for possibly 3 years. Cllr Hinson agreed to speak to the resident. **Action: PH**

The bricks have subsequently been moved.

Grasscutting in Badgers Meadow need cutting. Cllr Hinson to organize. **Action: PH**

Do People need to have permission to park on the grass verge, as services are just under the surface? There are still problems with water leaking onto the road along Highfield Crescent. Anglian Water are working on it. This needs to be put in the newsletter – don't park on verges. Services are just below the surface which the householder will be responsible for and have to pay for should their vehicles cause any damage.

An illegal squatter has been living at 25 Ridgway Road.

Vehicles are still being parked and drivers going off all day. Can this be stopped – possible not if the car is fully taxed and insured.

The elderly are being duped by illegal police officer about stealing items and getting into the house to steal.

Cllr Wright had been bitten by a dog which was being walked from Lidlington. This is now a Police matter.

2658. **To receive Reports:**

CB Cllr Matthews: No report available.

CB Cllr Clark: CBC have been using cameras to catch HGV's but the technology they have is not good enough. Hopefully CBC will be following this up.

Junction 13 roundabout is having issues with car racing cars each other on Sunday evenings especially around 8pm ish. They are causing black smoke and marks on the road. CB Cllr Clark will report to CBC. Cllr Newbery has reported in to the Police previously. The Clerk will report it again to the Police. **Action SC/LL**

There will be no more Marston Valley Stakeholder meetings until the application has been received by CBC.

Cranfield, Marston Moretaine and Wootton schools will be going from 3 to 2 tier schools.

Marshalls planning application for Cranfield is expected quite soon.

CB Cllr Morris: reported that we are no nearer finding out when the Weigh limit on C94 will be happening. CB Cllr Morris was asked to follow this up again. Ongoing. **Action: RM**

2659. **To consider Correspondence/Planning:**

Bedfordshire Police have stopped running the face to face quarterly Priority Setting Meetings saying that the meetings were poorly attended. The Clerk had attended them on a regular basis and didn't agree, lots of parishes seemed to be represented! Instead they want parishes to send in quarterly the priority settings themselves. Every 3 months, one priority will be agreed for each of the 5 areas (we are area 2). 10th October, 10th January 2023, 10th April and 10th August. Cllr Moss agreed to report Priority Setting items for 10th October.

Planning:

No applications received.

2660. **To Accept Finance:**

Approx balances (Metro Bank) as at 3rd October 2022

Community a/c £4868.09

Business 1 a/c £20,074.03

Business 2 a/c £10,478.01

Expenditure:

Playsafety Limited	205.80	Online
Safety Inspection		

Magpas Air Ambulance Donation	100.00	800009	
Andy Muskett Ltd 2 nd 1/4 st Itg maintenance	57.60	800010	
HMRC 2 nd 1/4 PAYE	89.40	800011	
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary – Oct	114.52	s/o	119.60
Mrs Lyman W F H Allowance – Oct	26.00	s/o	
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It was unanimously agreed the above invoices be paid.

NALC has finally come to an agreement regarding Clerks Salary increases for the year 2021-2022, to be backdated from April 2021. If agreed the difference will be .54p per hr less PAYE. This was unanimously agreed.

As the Grasscutting invoice contained a figure for cutting which it was agreed had not been carried out, it was agreed to ask for a Grasscutting schedule of what they are going to do and when. Football pitch was too dry to be cut.

It was suggested we ask for the schedule at the end of the season before possibly engaging them for the next 12 months. *Action: PH*

2661. **To confirm Date of the next meeting:**
Wednesday 2nd November 2022 starting at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Peter Hinson – Chairman