

BREDON & BREDON'S NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Bredon Parish Council Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on **Monday 8th August 2022 at 7:00pm.**

Present: Councillors: Mr Nick Bradley [Chairman], Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Neil Leyden, Mr Ed Pyke, Mr Declan Shiels, Mr Rob Sly and Mr Brod Whiting.

In Attendance: Mr Tim Drew (Clerk), Cllr Mr Adrian Hardman and Mr Peter Whitehead.

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Mr Andrew Rhodes.

2. Declaration of Interests.

None.

3. To consider the Adoption of the Minutes of the Meetings held on Monday 27th June 2022 and Monday 11th July 2022.

The minutes were **agreed.**

4. Finances:

- i. Invoices to be paid:

Village Hall:

Jo Lomasney	Balance of Wages – July 2022	£356.80
Darren Rosser	Bar Work – July 2022	£68.00
Netbuilder Ltd	Repair Microphone System (Chandler Room)	£180.00
RPK Maintenance	Repair of Courtyard Benches	£176.00
CW Hygiene	Consumables	£76.61
Kevin Falvey	Materials for Courtyard Bench Repairs	£45.38

Parish Council:

Timothy Drew	Balance of Wages – July 2022	£166.65
Nick Bradley	Screwfix – Squire Padlock for Car Park Bollard	£36.29
Wychavon	Clean & Empty 4 x Dog Bins	£401.38
David Gray	Lengthsman July – Parish	£416.16
David Gray	Lengthsman July – Highways	£225.00
Greenworks	Grass Cutting July (x2)	£1655.23

All payments above were **agreed.**

- ii. To approve the Financial Report.

The July 2022 bank statements and cash book were **approved.**

5. Planning:

- a) For Approval:

- i. W/22/01221/HP Rosemary Cottage, Manor Lane, Bredon's Norton, GL20 7EZ
No objections, but the materials used should be as per the Neighbourhood Plan.
- ii. W/22/01309/HP 1 Waterloo Way, Bredon, GL20 7UA
No objections.

The parish council's comments above were **agreed.**

b) Approved:

- i. W/22/01263/LB The Old Thatch, Main Road, Bredon, GL20 7EG
- ii. W/22/01125/HP Crantock, Watery Lane, Kinsham, GL20 8HU

c) Other Planning Matters.

The Planning Inspectorate have received an appeal from the North Tewkesbury Landowners Consortium and Developers for the two Mitton Bank planning applications (18/00771/OUT & 20/00008/OUT).

It was **agreed** to engage with Richard Buxton Solicitors for presidents and preparation of a briefing paper.

Tewkesbury Borough Plan 2011 to 2031 did not mention the Garden Town.

It was suggested that a Working Party be formed to administer future large planning applications possibly with parishioner representation.

6. Glebe Field Churchyard Extension.

The revised quotation (£7,360) from All Seasons Gardens Company, provided by Peter Whitehead, was **agreed** on an equal shared basis with the Bredon Parochial Church Council, with the final invoice paid by the parish council.

7. Playing Field Incursion on 24th July 2022.

A proposal letter from Bredon Bowling Club, to install a CCTV system was discussed and **agreed in principle**. Clerk to respond stating any system should be compatible with measures introduced by the council with access granted as required.

It was decided to erect, lock and chain the Harris Fencing at the end of the Main Car Park.

8. Climate and Ecology Bill.

Cllr Sly explained the loss of biodiversity in the UK. It was **agreed** to support the Climate and Ecology Bill, write to Harriett Baldwin MP and lobby in support of the bill, using the Carrant Valley as a local example.

9. Progress Reports and Updates for Information.

a) County and District Councillor:

- The hedge on the narrow corner, where the road bends after the Surgery, will be moved back. Clerk to request permission from Kemerton estates. This will allow a wider footway, which to be laid from the Surgery to Lower Westmancote, by Worcestershire County Council (WCC) Highways.
- There is a WCC Highways meeting next week to discuss the Kinsham interconnector footpath scheme.
- During September and October, work will begin on solving the drainage problem in Bredon's Norton. This will impact all 3 sections of road at various times, requiring road closure and diversions.
- The UK's lowest Covid-19 cases are in Wychavon District.

b) Police & Defibrillator:

- Police have received reports of cases of abuse by local youths.
- Bicycles have been stolen from a garden shed on Main Road.
- No defibrillator update.

Working Groups:

c) Transport & Organisations:

At a meeting with WCC Highways on 22nd July, the following issues were covered:

- There is around a 6-month backlog for the fitting of poles for the Evolis Radar Speed Signs. WCC Highways to expedite.
- Traffic Calming measures, for example between at junction of Main Road/Church Street next to pottery or on junction of Kemerton Road/Cheltenham Road would require sign off by traffic management proposal. Street lighting is required for traffic calming. Both possible schemes would run into 6 figures.
- Unless something is accident led, it's unlikely it would be funded by WCC and would need to be funded by the council.
- WCC Highways will refer the Cheltenham Road and Pottery proposals to a colleague to review and make a scheme recommendation.
- A traffic survey is to be installed in Church Street for one week period during School Term to establish vehicle speed/volume.
- Any vehicles parking on the restricted single yellow in Church Street should be referred to Wychavon enforcement team: enforcement@wychavon.gov.uk with photos/comments

10. Correspondence, Progress Reports and Updates for Information.

The Clerk provided the following update:

- A parishioner's request for bollards to be fitted adjacent to the Green Space accessed via, Glebeland Drive, Plantation Crescent and Croftlands, will be reviewed by the Transport & Organisations Working Group.
- A quotation for £750 plus VAT, from Matt Hale to to cut back and remove shrubs/trees along fence line of the Tennis Club Courts to ensure no overhang, was **agreed**.
- Cllr Leyden suggested signs in the Chandler Room be posted requesting that any damage to artwork displayed be reported. This was **agreed** and Clerk to notify the Art in Bredon Group.
- Information on Public Space Protection Orders – Dogs on the Playing Field, was requested from Overbury Cricket Club (via Cllr Hardman).
- Information regarding a complaint relating to the Grange Field Road bend was provided by Cllr Hardman.
- The latest Parish and Town Council news from Wychavon was circulated.

11. Councillors Reports and Items for Future Agenda:

Cllr Falvey requested that maintenance of the Public Toilets be a September agenda item.

Cllr Falvey will seek quotations for the Village Hall Kitchen to be replastered now the leaks have been resolved. It was **agreed** that the broken Village Hall bench be repaired.

12. Date of Next Meeting:

12th September 2022

Notes of Public Question Time:

Peter Whitehead referred the July meeting the Parish Council when he addressed the need to extend the current churchyard at St Giles

Peter had sought detailed advice for each aspect of the work involved, with specific timelines to ensure each phase was correctly timed to maximise the prevailing weather cycle.

The project has now been fully costed and there is now a workable plan. One contractor will be responsible for the total tasks, which is the PCC's preferred option.