

# BREDON & BREDON'S NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Bredon Parish Council Annual Meeting held at Bredon Village Hall on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at 7:00pm.**

**Present:** Councillors: Mr Nick Bradley (Chairman), Ms Karen Brooks, Mr Matt Darby, Mr Colin Davidson, Mr Kevin Falvey, Mr Andrew Rhodes, Mr Rob Sly and Mr Brod Whiting.

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

## 1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs Ms Katie Hall and Mr Declan Shiels.

## 2. Declaration of Interests.

None.

## 3. To consider the Adoption of the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

These minutes were **agreed**.

## 4. Finances:

- i. Invoices to be paid:

### Village Hall:

Jo Lomasney	Balance of Wages – July 2023	£275.78
Carl Booth	Exterior Decoration of VH	£2966.00
Kevin Falvey	Paint for VH Redecoration	£57.23
RPK Maintenance	Decorating Kitchen/Annex – Labour & Materials	£1379.99

### Parish Council:

Timothy Drew	Balance of Wages – July 2023	£178.30
David Gray	Lengthsman – July 2023 (Highways)	£390.00
David Gray	Lengthsman – July 2023 (Parish)	£195.00
Greenworks	Mowing – July 2023 (x3) & Glebe Field Gates	£3953.99

All payments above were **agreed**.

- ii. To approve the Financial Report.

The July 2023 bank statements and cash book were **approved**.

## 5. Planning:

- a) For Approval:

- i. W/23/01451/HP The Stones, Westmancote, Bredon, GL20 7ES  
*Demolition of existing garage, erection of new double garage and workshop.*  
**No objection in principle, but it was noted that the structure was 4 feet higher than the existing garage and if lower the impact, particularly on the neighbouring property to the north, would be reduced.**
- ii. W/23/01216/HP Rose Cottage, Lower Lane, Bredon's Norton, GL20 7FB  
*Demolition of existing double garage and replacement with disabled suite.*  
**No objection, subject to approval by the Conservation Officer.**

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

b) Approved:

- i. W/22/00488/LB True Blue Farm, Lower Lane, Kinsham, GL20 8HT
- ii. W/22/00488/HP True Blue Farm, Lower Lane, Kinsham, GL20 8HT
- iii. W/22/01381/LB True Blue Farm, Lower Lane, Kinsham, GL20 8HT
- iv. W/22/01451/HP 9 Hill Close, Westmancote, Bredon, GL20 7EW
- v. W/22/01467/HP Manor Farm Bungalow, Farm Lane, Westmancote, Bredon, GL20 7ES
- vi. W/22/01214/FUL The Croft, 1 The Dell, Bredon, GL20 7QP

c) Other Planning Matters:

The consultation stage response date has now expired and there was a good public submission of over 300 objections.

Tewkesbury Borough Council are meeting with both Tewkesbury Town Council and Ashchurch Rural Parish Council to discuss the Garden Town project.

Houses at M5 Junction 10 are undergoing compulsory purchase.

### 6. Glebe Field Land Transfer.

It was **agreed** that the Chairman and Clerk could sign the land registry Transfer document on the Council's behalf.

### 7. Arrangements for the Police & Crime Commissioner's visit on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

In expectation of a large public attendance at this meeting it was **agreed** to hold the meeting in the Chandler Room at 7pm and postpone the September Parish Council meeting to the next day – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

The Police Surgery held in Bredon Village Hall on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023 was attended by over 40 members of the public.

### 8. Grass Cutting Tender 2024.

The existing maps of mowing areas were reviewed and discussed and were deemed appropriate. Cllr Rhodes requested a grass strip, near The Moretons in the 40mph zone on the Kemerton Road, be added. An area adjacent to the Bredon's Hardwick bus stop will also be considered. Cllr Sly will provide new and updated maps for the September meeting.

### 9. Bredon Parish Magazine.

Cllr Hardman had provided a copy of the Burlingham News which was considered by Councillors. It was decided the Council would not assume responsibility for producing the Parish Magazine if Bredon PCC decided not to continue production, but perhaps produce a publication like Burlingham News with distribution on the website, via social media and on hard copy. This item is to be discussed further at the September meeting when Cllr Shiels is present.

### 10. Progress Reports and Updates.

a) County and District Councillor:

- The Eckington Bridge repair is expected to be completed on time.
- The Worcestershire County Council Local Members Divisional Fund is available to organisations, through Bid for Funding, such as the Playgroup, Severn sailing Club, and Bredon Community Play and Recreation (BCPR).

b) Police & Defibrillator Report:

- Cllr Falvey is providing a Defibrillator presentation to Bredon WI.
- PC Molly Keeler is now Bredon's primary Police contact.

- Various Anti-Social Behaviour events have been notified in the parish. These include vandalism of the Main Road Telephone Box.
  - Garden furniture has been stolen from a property in Lower Westmancote.
  - The Sports Clubs are considering the provision of CCTV around the Tennis Club.
  - CCTV will be progressed and included in the proposal for the Main Car Park project based on a cost of approximately £800 per unit for the system and solar charging.
- c) Working Groups.
- Various Working Groups are scheduled to meet in September.

### **11. Correspondence, Progress Reports and Updates for Information.**

The Clerk provided the following update:

- Details of the pending Road Closure at Back Lane & Perwell Close.
- A parishioner's request to set up a Bredon in Bloom team or committee. A notice will be included in the Parish magazine requesting volunteers with financial support from the Council.

### **12. Councillors Reports and Items for Future Agenda:**

Cllr Sly advised the area around the Bredon's Hardwick bus stop was overgrown. It was **agreed** to instruct Thomas Spry to arrange clearance.

Cllr Brooks advised the September Parish Magazine would include Local Police Surgery, Bid for Funding and Bredon in Bloom.

Cllr Darby and Cllr Davidson gave their apologies for the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 meeting.

Cllr Shiels also sent his apologies for the September meeting.

Cllr Falvey requested a quote from Matt Hale to cut back trees on Blenheim Drive and hedge in Eckington Road Car Park adjacent to Playing Field.

Cllr Falvey advised there was a request to site an Outdoor Tennis Table between the MUGA and Tennis Club. This could be eligible for Section 106 funding.

Cllr Falvey has received a request to site a memorial bench for Ken Brown (former Parish Council Chairman) adjacent to the MUGA - September Agenda Item.

Cllr Falvey to provide quotations to upgrade the Village Hall Ladies Toilets (lighting, sinks, tiles, and seats) – September Agenda Item.

### **15. Date of Next Meeting:**

12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 (Tuesday)