

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL.

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Minutes of the Broughton Parish Council held at Broughton Baptist Church, 7pm, Wednesday 15th February 2023

Councillors Present:

Cllr P Scouse (Chair)

Cllr R. Shrive

Cllr M. Rose.

Cllr. H. Bull

Cllr C. Taylor

Ward Councillors present:

None present.

Members of the Public present:

There were no members of the public present.

22/149. Apologies. (1)

Cllr M. Gray – accepted.

Cllr J. Manning – accepted.

Cllr John Currall (ward)

22/148. Declarations of Interest. (2)

No declarations were made.

22/149. Minutes. (3)

Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18th January 2022 and copies were circulated. The minutes were approved by members and authorised for signature by the chair. **RESOLVED.**

BPC - Broughton Parish Council.

NNC - North Northamptonshire Council.

NCALC – Northamptonshire County Association of Local Councils.

22/150. Public right to speak. (4)

The facility was not used at this meeting.

22/151. Reports from NNC Councillors. (5)

Report submitted from Cllr Currall on behalf of all NNC Councillors

Attended full Council.

On the agenda was to advise councillors of the introduction of an NNC standard operating Procedure for the payment of a goodwill gesture to tenants of the council when Temporary

heaters are left in their property, because of a breakdown of their primary heating system this winter [2022/2023]

Voted too not take the proposed annual increase of members allowance linked to the NJC pay award which was given to staff due to the current financial dilemma caused by global matters

Safeguarding training

Various Planning and housing Matters

Attended Scrutiny Commission

On the agenda was to provide the commission with an initial scoping document to help set out the terms of reference for a scrutiny review into ICT value for money and Development of the North Northamptonshire Public Health Strategy.

22/152. Report from clerk (6)

22/16. General interest items - Yeoman's house, 25 High Street

Update Oct: Principal Planning Manager, Troy Healy is looking into the site and will possibly be issuing an s215 untidy land notice. Ongoing. Dec – chased Troy for a response. Emailed Iain Smith 14/02/22 to chase Troy. Update Dec: Side of chimney has now gone.

22/56. General interest items - There are large potholes on the slip road coming off Kettering Road and entering Northampton Road. **Action: Clerk to report. – Ian Boyes contacted as FixMyStreet was not working. Update Oct:** Some repairs have been completed but the holes within the white lines have not. **Update Dec – Cllr Scouse has contacted Ian Boyes**

22/137. Reports from other meetings attended - Action: Clerk to look into the implications of the Village Hall changing to a CIO and the event of the charity being wound up.

Clause 19 of the Trust Deed deals with the issue.

If the Committee feels it cannot continue, i.e. is not able to find sufficient members to function then it can put a resolution to the inhabitants that the lease be given up and returned to the landlord (NNC) and appropriate value paid by the Council to the Trust to be used as stated in the Trust Deed.

There is no responsibility on the Parish Council to take over the running of the Village Hall without settling with the Trust and establishing a new arrangement with NCC. The existing value in the lease and the assets would remain within the Trust.

22/138. Traffic Calming update – Clerk sent over the existing locations for the s50 license to Cllr Shrive. **Completed**

22/140. Pocket Park Report - Action: clerk to look into finding expert advice and quotes. **Ongoing**

22/145. Civility and Respect pledge - Action: Clerk to ask our MP Philip Hollobone to sign EDM 611 on intimidation in community, parish and town councils as well.

Completed. MP did not sign but emailed concerns direct to the HM Government Minister responsible instead.

22/146. General interest items – Water running off the field onto Wellingborough Road and lifting road surface. **Action: Clerk to contact highways and ask Ian Boyes to contact the landowner. Emailed 01/02/2023 but was directed to report through StreetDoctor. Action: Clerk to contact Landlord.**

Action: Clerk to contact Environmental services regarding odour in Wellingborough Road. **Reported: ref 276525**

Action: Clerk to contact Dave Lane regarding killing of patch of grass at High Street memorial garden. **Emailed 01/02/2023**

Action: Clerk to contact the dog warden. **Reported 07/02/2023 Ref DOG484690292**

Action: Cllr Shrive to take a photo of metal signpost in Gate Lane and send to clerk for reporting. **07/02/23 FixMyStreet Ref 4210763. 14/02/2023 We can confirm that this issue will be investigated within a week.**

Clerk report

The clerk received a complaint from a neighbour to The Cottage. This complaint was forwarded onto Mark Coleman, Case Officer and Troy Healy, Principal Planning Manager.

The clerk was contacted by Brixworth Country Park who had been tasked with sorting out historic pocket park information (including old maps and action plans) from when the Pocket Park Officer for Northamptonshire was based there. The clerk will collect the documents for your pocket park/Parsons Spinney on Weds 1st March.

22/153. Correspondence. (7)

February 2023

- Friday mini eUpdate - 20/01/23, 10/02/23
- Rural Crime Engagement Events
- Parish Council Network Event, 28th Feb – NACRE – Cllrs Scouse, Manning, Rose
- Northants CALC eUpdate - Jan/Feb 2023
- Zoom – Price increase from 1st March – 1 per week
- Email from resident regarding untidiness of The Cottage
- Resident contact regarding the junction on A43
- Northants ACRE Winter 2022/23 Village Viewpoint
- North Northamptonshire Place Development Event for all Councillors – Cllrs Scouse & Bull attending
- Update from the Leader of the Council 43

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22/154. Reports from other meetings attended (8)

Cllr Scouse attended the last Village Hall meeting.

Several new people attended and expressed an interest in joining the committee.

22/155. Traffic Calming update (9)

Highways have yet to send on costings for Northampton Road plans yet. **Action: to contact**

Ian Boyes, Sarah Barnwell, Graham Lawman, Graeme Kane, Nick Henstock and John Currall. Need a reply by March meeting as this is a failure by the authority. Find out when spend by date is due.

22/156. Community & Police report (10)

Two Street watch people were spotted patrolling in the village wearing high viz vests. The speed van has also been in the village this month.

22/157. Pocket Park Report. (11)

Councillor Rose had a meeting with R Riggall at the pocket park to go through plans and provide a quote for putting a 3-foot motorway style wooden fence along the back of the pond together with a smooth handrail on top. Suggested fence motorway style fence at the back of the fence with handrail £525.00.

Also discussed was the path from the entrance to the dipping platform and it was suggested that possibly the cheapest and most sensible option would be to scrape a path about 6 inches deep and just over a metre wide and then wacker hardcore in, which would then be topped with granite dust so it would be similar to the pathways at Pitsford Reservoir. Rough estimates suggest it's going to require 18 tonnes of hardcore £4750.00.

To reduce costs it would make sense to further backfill the back of the pond with the removed soil before fitting the fence.

Action: email Cllr Smith-Haynes to ask about the Empowerment fund as this will aid disabled access to the pond.

Action: Ask Castletree for quote for path granite and fence. Cllr Rose to send over work spec.

22/158. Planning Report. (12)

Planning applications

NK/2023/0060

LOCATION: A43 Broughton Bypass

PROPOSAL: Application for Works to Protected Trees: T10-T11 Oak – fell

NK/2023/0064

LOCATION: 20 Kettering Road, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Full Planning Permission: Rear and side single storey extensions and rear patio area and steps leading down to garden

No comment

Planning decisions

NK/2023/0001

LOCATION: 6 Gables Lane, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Certificate of Lawfulness for Proposed Operations: Installation of solar photovoltaic and energy storage systems with associated ancillary equipment

Target decision date – 03/03/2023

NK/2022/0783

LOCATION: 37 Church Street, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Notification of Works to Trees in Conservation Areas: G1 Sycamore - cut back by 1m to boundary.

No objections

NK/2022/0747

LOCATION: 35 Wellingborough Road, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Full Planning Permission: Construction of 1 detached dwelling with new vehicular access

Approved

NK/2022/0460

LOCATION: The Cottage

PROPOSAL: Change of use from unknown use to dwelling with porch to side, replacement lean-to and amendments to fenestration

Approved with conditions.

NK/2021/0995

LOCATION: Old Northampton Road

PROPOSAL: Section 73A Retrospective Application - Siting of caravans for residential occupation with associated utility buildings

Expiry consultation date: 20/06/2022

Comment: Objection - Broughton Parish Council object to this application, Report submitted.

22/159. Finance Report. (13)

February 2023 statements

Nationwide 125-day saver - £16,230.13

Community - £18,511.49

Credits to Community account

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Credits to Nationwide account

Interest		£0.00
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Payments issued from Community account.

Payee	Method	Amount
A McDaid wages - mth 11	Bank transfer	£387.09
HMRC income tax	Bank transfer	£96.60
A. McDaid home working, phone, Zoom,	Bank transfer	£34.39
Room hire January 2022	Bank transfer	£16.00
Jan Manning (reimbursement for Plant man)	Bank transfer	£180.24

Cllr Shrive to sign off and verify online payments.

£1 rise for Zoom – it was **resolved** to discontinue the zoom subscription.

Telephone as from 31st March, the price on the current £8.00 plan will increase by £1.15 a month.

22/160. Kings Coronation – The Big Help Out (8th May 23). (14)

The Village Hall has confirmed it has no bookings that weekend and will not be putting on an event.

The Church might live stream the coronation.

Several Street parties may go ahead in Glebe Avenue, Donaldson Avenue and Lime Close. Cllr Bull suggested as part of the Big Help Out, we could organise a general tidy up and litter pic on Monday with tea and cake after either in the hall or the pub. Suggested time would be 10:30 – 12:30pm. It was **resolved** to put out Expressions of Interests via facebook.

Action: To ask NNC for 50 litter pickers, bags and gloves.

22/161. Christmas lights. (15)

Cllr Scouse will walk round the village with an electrician who will advise where the Christmas lights would be best situated.

Everyone agreed uplighters to illuminate the trees near the path on the High Street Playing Fields would look very impressive if possible.

22/162. Recruitment of councillors. (16)

It was **resolved** to use Facebook to do a recruitment campaign to attract new councillors.

22/163. General interest items. (17)

There have been more changes to the Old Willows site. Hard standing has been created with 2 additional caravans placed on it and trees planted in front of the caravans which has created another plot.

There is also lots of spoil on the site.

The A43 verge is now noticeably subsiding.

NNC is aware.

A discussion took place regarding NNC 5 year G&T plan.

Cllr Shrive – The amount and depth of the potholes all over the village and beyond are ever increasing.

Cllr Scouse – Highways have been asked to reinstate the white lines in Kettering Road as they have almost disappeared.

Cllr Taylor – The cemetery has been submerged underwater which is distressing to people visiting loved ones. The clerk will contact the Grounds maintenance team.

The path in the High Street Playing Fields known as Bakehouse Lane is slippery with old leaves. The old steps also do not have a metal handrail anymore. Clerk will contact NNC

The Memorial tree for the old memorial garden is being delivered and planted this weekend. Cllr Bull will chase Dave Lane and ask for the boulders which were offered and ask him to clear the site as discussed leaving just the Mahonia.

22/164. Date of next meeting. (18)

Wednesday 15th March 2023.

22/165. Any other matters that the Chair considers to be urgent. (19)

The meeting was closed at 8:50pm

Signed:

Dated: