

*BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL*  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

Present: Cllr G Elliott (Vice Chairman), Cllr J Dumper, Cllr J Mann, Cllr B Keane, Cllr J Hodgson, Cllr C Hamilton-Parker & Cllr P Boulton.

In attendance: Heather Bourner-Clerk  
HCC David Drew  
TVBC Cllr Alison Johnston  
0 Members of public

The Vice Chairman welcomed everyone present to the meeting.

**Apologies for Absence**

1) Apologies had been received from Cllr James, Cllr Jenkins & Cllr Baillie.

**Public Participation**

2) There were no members of the public present.

**Declarations of Interest**

3) There were no declarations of interest.

**Planning**

**4) The following decisions by TVBC were noted:**

21/02781/FULLS- insertion of 3 light tubes, Harlequin Cottage- permission  
21/02876/FULLS- two storey extension, 2 Fir Tree Cottages-permission  
2132237/FULLS- demolish outbuildings and replace with single storey extension-The Old Post Office- permission  
21/02541/FULLS- erection of first floor extension, 2 Mouland Cottages- withdrawn

**Resolved: that the planning decisions on the following applications were endorsed:**

21/03096/FULLS- instal 5 bar gate-Highfields, 4 Downs Close- no objection  
21/03266/TPOS- tree works Driscolls, Horsebridge Road- no objections  
21/03277/TPOS & 21/03273/TREES- tree works The Barn House- no objections  
21/03381/TREES- tree works, Old Church Farm- no objections  
21/03356/FULLS- single storey extension, Nutley Farm, Salisbury Road - no objections  
21/03358/FULLS- part rebuild barn, 2 Venison Terrace, Dixons Lane- no objections  
2103450/FULLS- demolish existing dwelling and replace with two detached dwellings-Bayards, South Road, Broughton- no objections

**5) County and Borough Councilors' Report**

**HCC David Drew provided a full report which can be seen at appendix 1.**

**TVBC Cllr Johnston** referred to the recently circulated Mid Test Matters and noted in particular details on how to recycle Christmas Trees. Once the festive season is over, real Christmas trees can be recycled at one of the 9 temporary sites provided. The ones closest to Mid Test Ward are below but the full list is on the TVBC web site.

- Dobbies Garden Centre Salisbury Road
- Alma Road Car Park (near Waitrose) Romsey
- Village Hall, West Wellow
- Hillier Garden Centre Braishfield

Please remove all decorations and non-compostable items before recycling.

These sites are provided for **real** Christmas trees only from Thursday 30 December to Monday 10 January. If you subscribe to the Garden Waste Collection Service, Christmas trees can be collected (please only cut it in half if it's over 6ft).

**Minutes**

6) **Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November were confirmed as a correct record These will be signed by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr Boulton seconded Cllr Hodgson. All agreed.

### **Streetlight Queenwood Road**

7) Cllr Keane has spoken to the resident affected by the street light. Work continues to make progress on dimming this light.

### **New Village Sign**

8) Cllr James reported on a request to erect a new village sign. The request had been circulated by email and agreed by all Councillors. The Clerk confirmed she has made an official request to Hampshire Highways to change this sign and awaits a response. Any costs incurred will be met by the Village Hall and Village Shop.

### **Defibrillators**

9) The Clerk confirmed she had received a grant from TVBC for £900 toward the cost of a new defibrillator. The new machine has been ordered but not yet arrived. Cllr Keane agreed to fit the machine as soon as he is able.

### **Budget 2022/23**

10) The Clerk had circulated a spreadsheet to inform Councillors of the level of income required to meet the planned costs of the Parish Council in 2022/23. Discussions followed regarding rising prices and inflation. The general view was that a small increase to the precept will be necessary and all agreed the precept should be set at £28000.00 for 2022/23.

### **Flood response group.**

11) Cllr Keane reported that a group of villagers have formed a flood response group. They will be meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022 to plan how they can respond in the case of a flood emergency in the village.

### **Sports Field Update**

12) Cllr Elliott confirmed tenders for the new sports pavilion building will be sought very soon. He said there has been some successful local fundraising and some donations have been offered. It is hoped that there will be firmer news early in the new year.

### **School Lane Completion work**

13) Cllr Boulton reported there is nothing further that the Parish Council can do until the solicitors working on the transfers complete the work required. There has however been some tidying of green areas which has improved the areas significantly. Cllr Keane suggested it would be timely to try and get some quotes to build a MUGA. Cllr Boulton will speak to TVBC to obtain some advice.

### **Clerks Report**

14) The Clerk reported as follows: -

A grant for £900 toward the cost of a new defibrillator has been received from TVBC.

HCC Davis Drew has been asked to speak to HCC Highways about repair work required in Rookery Lane.

CIL funding of £16900.00 has been received in relation to 9 dwellings at Hyde Farm

### **Footpaths.**

15) Cllr Elliott said he had reviewed paths that need cutting back now and the Clerk has asked the Lengthsman to carry out the work required.

### **Allotments & Centenary Garden**

16) Cllr Ballie was absent. This matter will be carried over for discussion at the January meeting.

### **Hedge cutting and grass maintenance contract**

17) Cllr Elliot reported on work he has been carrying out regarding cutting hedges throughout the village. He has circulated a spreadsheet which detailed all areas he believed the Parish Council were responsible for and was able to confirm some quotes to carry out this work had now been received. While one quote seemed favorable Cllr Elliot still needs to speak to a contractor before a decision is made.

He has also reviewed grass maintenance throughout the village and has obtained tenders

from two contractors for the grass cutting season in 2022. Further tenders are awaited before any decisions can be made.

Both matters will be discussed at the January meeting.

### **Finance**

18) Balances in the bank accounts were noted as: -

30/11/2021:

TSB Charity account £152135.96

TSB Business Instant £71863.05

United Trust £30,000

**Payments Resolved:** that the following payments be approved, online transactions approved or cheques signed:

H Bournier sal	£420.09
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H Bournier exp	£18.66
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HMRC	£79.80
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Grass & Grounds	£253.20
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HCC Street lights	£361.07
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Awbridge PC speed sign	£236.85
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### **Items to carry forward**

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1. Climate change community initiative
2. Moving recycling bins from Village Hall
3. Wildflower turf
4. New equipment at skate park

### **Correspondence**

20) The Clerk reported on an email received from a member of public suggesting a lengthsman can now work on highways. The Clerk said while this was possible it could only happen if the lengthsman and the Clerk had the necessary training from Hampshire County Council. She agreed to discuss the issue of clearing ditches, damaged road surfaces and lengthsman training with Hampshire Highways.

The Clerk highlighted a series of emails that had been circulated regarding a campaign for a new 20mph speed limit. HCC David Drew has confirmed the matter is to be debated by HCC in due course and any decisions made will be passed to Parish Councils.

Finally, the Clerk highlighted an email she had received from Broughton Firework Committee thanking the Parish Council for the support given staging the event on 5<sup>th</sup> November.

### **New items for next meeting**

21) Hedge Cutting & grass maintenance

Allotment rents and pruning in Centenary gardens

### **Any Other Business**

22) None

### **Date of next meeting**

23) 7.30 pm on Tuesday January 4th 2022

### **Appendix 1- Report from HCC David Drew**

#### **Grants of up to £5,000 offered to help communities reduce waste**

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for community organisations and groups to help Hampshire's residents reduce waste and make items last longer as Hampshire County Council's Waste Prevention Community Grant Fund opens once again for applications.

"This is the fourth year we've been able to make this funding available following the tremendous success of the first three years which has kickstarted many local businesses and launched several community based innovative projects, helping us all to waste less."

Organisations and community groups can find out more at: [www.hants.gov.uk/waste-prevention-community](http://www.hants.gov.uk/waste-prevention-community) The deadline for applications is 5pm Friday 18 February 2022.  
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20210212wastegrant>

### **Recycling road repair waste wins environment award for Hampshire**

Hampshire County Council's Highways team and partners - Milestone Infrastructure and OCL - have won a prestigious International Green Apple Environment Award 2021 for its new Highway Materials Recycling Facility, which came into operation in Summer 2021.

Councillor Rob Humby, Hampshire County Council's Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment, said: "I am delighted that our facility has achieved this high-profile recognition for its green credentials. On behalf of the County Council, I would like to congratulate all involved in the development and operation of this facility – the first of its kind in Hampshire, putting us at the cutting edge of material re-use and recycling.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20212511environmentaward>

### **County Council announces further funding for community climate change action**

As COP26 draws to a close, Hampshire County Council has welcomed news of a successful bid for over £205,000 from the Government's Community Renewal Fund, which will enable the Authority to expand its work with communities to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to climate change.

HCC's priority for this latest funding award is to invest in communities and place. Community groups have a huge role to play in tackling climate change. With additional money, we can further our work with the [Greening Campaign \(GC\)](#) and [Community Energy South \(CES\)](#) to engage and support even more residents and communities across the county to take action at a local level to reduce carbon emissions and build climate change resilience from household to community.

Hampshire County Council has been working with the Greening Campaign and Community Energy South since 2019, as part of the [County Council's Climate Change Strategy](#).

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20211112communityrenewalfund>

### **County scheme helping young people to get to work is given green boost**

A Hampshire County Council scheme, which enables young people to hire mopeds at an affordable rate so that they can get to work or vocational training, is going green with the addition of five electric mopeds to its fleet of conventionally powered bikes.

The electric mopeds are now available to hirers through Wheels to Work - a scheme which helps young people aged 16 to 25 years old in some rural areas of Hampshire by loaning them their own form of transport. Public transport options may be limited where they live, and they generally have no transport of their own because they don't have the money to fund this yet.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20211111wheelstoworkgreen>

### **County Council agrees plans to provide more early years and special educational needs places**

Hampshire County Council has agreed to take the next steps to create new places for nursery age children (two to four years old) in Poulner, near Ringwood and North Baddesley, as well as separately, in Andover, to increase the number of places for secondary school age young people (11 to 16 years) with special educational needs.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20211111-school-places>

### **HCC to look again at options for a 20 mph speed limit on residential streets**

As a result of my question about electric vehicle charging points at the HCC full Council meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> November, Hampshire County Council's Executive Member, Councillor Rob Humby agreed to look again at the option of a 20 mph speed limit on residential streets in town and village centres. The review will be undertaken by the chairman and members of the Environment, Transport and Economy Select Committee. I will support any application which meets the criteria (once set) and on the basis the community supports it. Further details will be available soon!

### **Boost your immunity this winter**

Hampshire County Council is lending its voice to the NHS call for everyone to 'Boost your immunity this winter' by getting the COVID-19 booster and 'flu vaccine.

With COVID-19 infection rates continuing to rise across the county, eligible residents are being urged to get their booster and 'flu jabs as soon as possible. Respiratory viruses such as Coronavirus and 'flu spread more easily in the colder, wetter winter months.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/271021winterimmunity>

**County Council agrees steps to improve bus services in Hampshire**

Hampshire County Council has made two significant decisions geared towards improving bus services in the county. Firstly, approving a countywide Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) for submission to the Department for Transport and, secondly, adopting a policy that will enable the County Council, as the local transport authority, to take action when unauthorised vehicles are found using bus priority measures.

The Authority's Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) sets out the vision and the proposed steps that would be taken to achieve higher standards in bus travel in Hampshire. It aims to achieve a substantial increase in bus use across the whole of the county by creating the conditions that will both attract investment for bus services and infrastructure, as well as grow the number of passengers.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20210111buserviceimprove>

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