

BROOKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Members are summoned to a meeting of Brookland Parish Council to be held on Monday 17th January 2022 at 7.15pm at The Village Hall, Brookland.

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Wallington, Cllr Gillies, Cllr Roberts, Cllr Pollard, F&HDC Cllr Hills, A Lawson

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th November 2021 were unanimously agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed: Cllr Roberts, Seconded Cllr Pollard.

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – Public Participation

None

5. PLANNING

Members discussed the following planning application:

Ref: 21/2485/FH Proposal: Erection of a 5 metre high acoustic fence. Fairfield Court Farm, Brack Lane, Brookland, Romney Marsh, TN29 9RX.

Correspondence had been received from 2 local residents on the planning application. The Councillors agreed to ask that the planning application is called in for a full review by F&HDC. The Councillors are concerned about the impact of the fence in the flat rural landscape and the impact on the visual amenity.

6. MATTERS FOR REPORT ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- a.* High St sign replacement – Logged for replacement
- b.* Harris fencing around new builds – fence has been moved, no further issues
- c.* Election of new Vice Chair – Cllr Roberts was elected as vice chair. Proposed Cllr Wallington, Seconded Cllr Gillies and unanimously agreed.
- d.* Dog Waste Bin – Cllr Hills was thanked for the Ward Grant to fund a replacement bin. Bin on order with the District Council.

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT & REPORTS FROM OTHER OUTSIDE BODIES

Members discussed the work completed on the resurfacing of Brack Lane.

Local PCSO offices can now be contacted via the mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk website.

8. FINANCE

Members reviewed the invoices paid and to be paid since the last meeting and forecast expenses to the end of the financial year. No issues or questions raised. The Finance summary is included as an appendix to this document.

9. VILLAGE SIGN

Members discussed:

- a. The F&HDC Head of Terms agreement & requirements for use of land and agreed to continue discussions with F&HDC on finalising a legal agreement for the installation of a village sign.
- b. Design of Flag – Details to be included in the Harrier & via Brookland school
- c. Insurance & Public Liability – Covered by existing policy

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

- a. Councillors discussed making a £500 donation to the Marsh Harrier to ensure the publication is financially secure post covid. Proposed Cllr Gillies, Seconded Cllr Roberts and unanimously agreed.
- b. Correspondence received from Mr Parr regarding website access and annual budgets was noted.

11. QUEENS GREEN CANOPY

The parish Council were successful in the bid for 60 saplings to be planted as part of the Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations, saplings to arrive in March. Member discussed the possibility of planting at the burial ground, in the school grounds, church yard or around the village hall.

12. CO -OPTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER

Vacancy to be advertised via the Marsh Harrier.

13. ANY FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. **Review draft Emergency Plan**
- b. **Update on progress on burial software**
- c. **Queens Platinum Jubilee event 2nd June 2022.**

The meeting closed at 8.18pm