

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL.

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Minutes of the Broughton Parish Council held at Broughton Baptist Church, 7pm, Wednesday 19th April 2023

Councillors Present:

Cllr P Scouse (Chair)

Cllr R. Shrive

Cllr M. Rose.

Cllr. H. Bull

Cllr M. Gray

Cllr J. Manning

Ward Councillors present:

Cllr Chris Haynes-Smith

Members of the Public present:

Three members of the public present.

01/23. Apologies.

Cllr C. Taylor - accepted

02/23. Declarations of Interest.

Cllrs Bull, Shrive, Rose, Gray and Scouse resolved to update their Declarations of Interest after being appointed trustees and clerk for Bentham Charities.

03/23. Minutes.

Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th March 2023 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.

04/23. Public right to speak.

Resident

Resident expressed his concern over the volume of water in the pond when heavy rain occurs now that the perimeter has been reduced. Members discussed but as the pond has been dredged and is now deeper and March saw an unprecedented amount of rainfall they were not overly concerned at this point. All agreed to keep an eye on the situation.

The former trustees of Bentham Charities have now all resigned and are no longer recognized by the Charity Commission.

It was agreed to publically thank them all for their many years of service which was all voluntary, in the next parish newsletter.

The Broughton Scout Leader addressed BPC in regards to a group of 10-14 year olds gaining their Community Impact Badges. It was agreed their help would be greatly appreciated on Big Broughton Monday being held on 8th May. 10:30 – 12:30pm. A list of jobs will be drawn up by Cllr Bull and volunteers can choose which ones they take on.

There was also a discussion regarding the scout's involvement with the Old Memorial Garden project as they had already done some gorilla planting daffodil planting about 18 months ago. All agreed to the scouts/Beavers/Cubs building a Bug garden in the area over the summer.

05/23. Reports from NNC Councillors.

Cllrs Currall apologies given

Report from Cllr Chris Haynes

Various meeting attended

Following the email trail regarding the traffic calming – will be talking to Cllr Currall to see if he will be taking the lead representing Broughton on this issue.

A discussion regarding the pot holes and conditions of the roads ensued.

Cllr Rose pointed out there is a piece of equipment that other councils have used, the JCB pot hole Pro repairer. This piece of equipment costs £165k and there is a leasing option of £600 per week which has been dismissed by NNC ward councilor Graham Lawman.

Action: Contact Highways to see if this could be trialed in Broughton. Also ask under the FOI act for NNC Highways budget 23/24 for this financial year.

06/23. Report from clerk & correspondence

Clerk report

Cllr Scouse reported a very huge pothole in Northampton Road which has since received a temporary repair.

Cllr Shrive received a complaint from a resident of St Andrews Close about a workman from NNC who was sent to clear the gutters from her bungalow who threw what was collected over the fence into the High St Park, some landed on the footpath and some in the Memorial Garden. Although photos were taken, NNC stated they were unable to investigate a claim of flytipping. Resident advised to make formal complaint.

Received a complaint from a neighbour regarding The Cottage which was forwarded onto the planning Enforcement Team.

22/146. General interest items – 30/03/2023 Emailed Landlady of field where water is running off the field onto Wellingborough Road to rectify.

22/157 Pocket Park Report. Castletree to meet Cllr Scouse for onsite meeting for path quote.

22/160 Kings Coronation and Big Help Out. 30 sticks and 40 litter bags ordered and being delivered next week.

22/163. General interest items. NNC Ground Maintenance were contacted to see if anything could be done regarding the flooding that takes place at the cemetery when there is heavy rainfall. Response was **due** to the soil structure there is not a great deal that can be done unless further drainage is put in at a deeper depth than the depth that the graves are dug but unable to dig graves that have been used and disturb anyone that has been buried there.

Path by Bakehouse Lane – Old steps in High Street Rec will be cleaned but metal handrail will not be reinstalled.

22/173 Reports from other meetings attended. The clerk has registered with Communities Prepared as recommended by NACRE, who provide free online training in developing Emergency Plans. **Action: clerk to circulate dates and book.**

22/175 Old Memorial Garden. Resident who donated money towards the tree happy for BPC to compile wording for plaque near tree words remembering villagers who died of covid.

April 2023

- Update from the Leader of the Council 06/04/2023
- Friday mini eUpdate – 06/04/2023, 14/04/23
- Northants CALC eUpdate - Mar/Apr 2023
- North Northamptonshire Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan – Advance notice of consultation
- Upcoming LAP events week commencing April 24th
- 6 weekly Teams meetings with the Commissioner, Chief Constable and Chief Fire Officer - Tuesday 18th April at 6pm.
- A43 Kettering Road, Walgrave (Walgrave junction) - Night works - Monday 17th April to Sunday 23rd of April
- Consultation on the draft Kettering Local Cycling, Walking and Infrastructure Plan
- Kettering Energy Park – Consultation on Draft Masterplan Document / Engagement Event
- Short Break Service - Engagement

07/23. Reports from other meetings attended

No other meetings were attended this month.

08/23. Information Commissioners Office registration

The Independent Commissioners Office is the UK's independent body, set up to uphold information rights. The GDPR Act came into force on 25 May 2018 and replaced the Data Protection Act 1998. It was **resolved** to register BPC with the ICO.

09/23. Project Reports

Traffic Calming Project

BPC have still not received a quote for traffic calming from NNC. The question was asked if BPC could employ another contractor in using s106 monies and copying in the local MP.

Action: Cllr Smith-Haynes to find out who s106 officer is.

Memorial Garden Project

BPC are still waiting on NNC clearing the shrubs. It was decided that councillors and volunteers may as well do it ourselves.

High Street Play Project

There is a company based in Kettering who have had some good reviews.

Action: Cllr Scouse to invite them to site with a view to tender and include a slide.

10/23. The Big Help out – Monday 8th May

40 Bags and 30 pickers have been ordered and will be delivered to the chair in the next couple of days. NNC cannot provide gloves. Cllr Bull to draw up list of jobs that need completing and refreshments will be served afterwards in Broughton Chapel Room.

11/23. North Northamptonshire Gypsy & Traveller Local Plan

NNC are publicly consulting on the Scope and Options for the North Northamptonshire Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan and supporting Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report between 5th April 2023 and 31st May 2023.

The North Northamptonshire Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan will provide planning policies and site allocations to meet the identified need for Gypsy and Travellers and ensure high standards of design, development and living conditions.

Should you have any queries regarding this email please contact the Planning Policy Team via email at planningpolicy@northnorthants.gov.uk

Action: Clerk to set up Zoom meeting to respond as a council.

12/23. Planning Report. (11)

Planning applications

NK/2023/0188

LOCATION: St Andrews Church, Church Street, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Application for Works to Protected Trees: T1-T4 Fir and T5 Holly - 2m height reduction

Planning decisions

NK/2023/0069

Location: 5 Donaldson Avenue, Broughton

Proposal: s.73A Retrospective Application: Erection of shed adjacent to existing shed at the rear of the site.

No comment

Target date 18/04/2023

NK/2023/0060

LOCATION: A43 Broughton Bypass

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

Approved

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

Approved

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 –27/04/2023

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.

Revised drawings have been submitted but BPC has not receive notification of this. It was **resolved** to submit another comment.

13/23. SLCC renewal.

The SLCC membership subscription is due for renewal on 1st June 2023 costing £112.00. It was **resolved** to renew.

14/23. NACRE renewal.

Northants ACRE membership is now due for renewal costing £35 plus VAT. It was **resolved** to renew.

15/23. NCALC Membership renewal.

The NCALC membership renewal is due on the 2nd June costing £836.72. A discussion ensued and findings were that they seemed to be more of an ear piece than a voice for parish councils. A unanimous vote **resolved** the decision **not to renew**.

16/23. Finance Report.

April 2023 statements

Nationwide 125-day saver - £16,512.33

Community - £17,238.78

Credits to Community account

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Credits to Nationwide account

Interest		£282.20
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Payments issued from Community account.

Payee	Method	Amount
A McDaid wages - mth 1	Bank transfer	£387.09
HMRC income tax	Bank transfer	£96.60
A. McDaid home working, phone, ICO	Bank transfer	£61.15

NCALC training	Bank transfer	£66.00
NACRE membership	Bank transfer	£42.00
Mrs L A Bedford – Bus Stop	Bank transfer	£65.00
Room hire	Bank transfer	£16.00

The AGAR has been completed and final true balance is £33,751.11.

Income was £16,380.20 and expenditure was £21,903.97. £5k on gym equipment was not budgeted for in 2022/23 precept.

Pocket Park project is currently showing a minus figure of £2309.66 but once VAT is reclaimed, the project will come in on budget.

It was **resolved** to appoint Tino La Torre to audit 2022/23 internal accounts.

The precept money budgeted for the NCALC renewal will now be put aside in the slush fund.

Cllr Shrive to sign off and verify online payments.

17/23. General interest items.

No items of interest were discussed.

18/23. Date of next meeting.

Wednesday 17th May 2023.

19/23. Any other matters that the Chair considers to be urgent.

The meeting was closed at 8:25pm

Signed:

Dated: