

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Broughton Parish Council held
Wednesday 20th March 2019, 7.00 pm
at Broughton Village Hall

Councillors Present:

- Cllr P. Scouse (Chair)
- Cllr R. Shrive (Vice Chair)
- Cllr H. Bull
- Cllr J Chester
- Cllr R. Baxter
- Cllr I. Robson
- Cllr M. Rose
- Cllr S. West
- Cllr O. Wyeth

County Councillor present:

- Cllr J. Hakewill
- Cllr C. Smith-Haynes

		ACTIONS
19/7942	Apologies (1) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cllr P Wade	
19/7943	Declarations of Interest (2) No declarations were made	
19/7944	Minutes (3) Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20 th February 2019, copies were circulated and then approved by members and authorised for signature by the chair after a slight change to 19/7941 which should have read NCC instead of KBC when styles, gates and posts were minuted. KBC – Kettering Borough Council NCC – Northamptonshire County Council BPC – Broughton Parish Council <i>This meeting was audio recorded and was agreed with by members. The</i>	

	<i>recording will be deleted as soon as the minutes have been signed off. Broughton Parish Council meetings are open to the public but the audio recording is to remain solely as a reference for minuting by the clerk at all times.</i>	
19/7955	Public Right to speak (4) The facility was not used at this meeting	
19/7956	<p>Reports of Local County and Borough Councillor's (5)</p> <p>Cllr J. Hakewill reported on the ongoing problems the village is experiencing with caravans being dumped and one set fire to. Incidents are being documented and submitted to all the local authorities for action.</p> <p>Cllr Hakewill expressed his delight at the prompt way the 2nd abandoned caravan this month was dealt with within 4 hours by KBC on a Friday late afternoon/evening.</p> <p>It was commented on the works taking place on the Old Willows site, which include dismantling and setting fire of caravans on the playground area on the site referred to in planning application KET/2017/0980.</p> <p>The fire Brigade and the fire inspector have attended the site in the last few days.</p> <p>Following correspondence from BPC, KBC has acknowledged that there had been no movement to comply with planning conditions and enforcement would be soon.</p> <p>Cllr Hakewill is thoroughly enjoying being independent and was able to put forward an alternative budget to KBC which included a dedicated traffic warden for the rural areas, and a rural environmental warden. A need for an environmental warden was picked up through a presentation at a Rural Forum Meeting. This worked out less than £5 per year for residents. The alternative budget proposal was rejected.</p> <p>Cllr Smith-Haynes reported that NCC have had their budget agreed for the final year of its existence with the reinstatement of the winter gritting to 2017 levels and well as other various issues.</p> <p>An extraordinary meeting was held with the full council to deliberate on the Unitary as the costs have gone from £29M to £43M in the estimates without any clear trail how figures have evolved. It was agreed to put a pause on committing any more expenditure until answers are provided.</p> <p>Overview and Scrutiny have been doing a lot of work on Early Years Payments as Nursery schools have not been paid yet. Providers came in and have given evidence.</p> <p>Cllr Smith-Haynes met with NHFT Governors and good progress is being made towards strategic thinking.</p>	Action

	<p>STP is now known as NHCP (National Health & Care Partnerships) and is moving forward quite well.</p> <p>S106 in connection with Traffic Calming measures - Have spoken to KierWsp who are getting back with an answer to if funds awarded will include/exclude VAT by end of week.</p> <p>The Commissioners have written to say they are pleased with the progress NCC have been making in balancing budgets. They have acknowledged there are serious concerns describing Children's Directorate as fragile and £40M savings being needed going forward for the next year which has been budgeted for this year.</p> <p>Cllr Hakewill and Cllr Smith-Haynes left the meeting at 8.20pm.</p>	
<p>19/7957</p>	<p>Matters arising from the minutes (6)</p> <p><u>Matters arising from November Minutes</u></p> <p>18/7893 General Interest Items</p> <p>It was noted that the Old Memorial site is looking rather shabby lately. Cllr Scouse met with KBC in March and it was agreed it will be added to the winter works list. Works will include: Repair wall, removing slabbed internal pathway, re-soil and seed, plant up with spring bulbs and up to 4 small trees (depending on space) The work will be in keeping with a memorial garden. ONGOING</p> <p>19/7892 Cllr Baxter reported that the light in Bakehouse Lane had been removed years ago. The unlit area is a trip hazard due to uneven surface. KBC responded they could install one but would need a contribution from PC envisaging the cost would be approx. £2,250. This was rejected by members and after a few different options were discussed, it was decided to ask for a small footpath light instead that would be more than adequate for area. Clerk emailed KBC and asked for a footpath light instead. KBC replied to say they are looking at costs and will get back to BPC shortly. 13/02/2019. Chased again 15.03.19 ONGOING</p> <p><u>Matters arising from December Minutes</u></p> <p>18/7910 General Interest items</p> <p>Unit 3 Street light still out on Grange Road. RESOLVED</p> <p>Vegetation at 23 High Street is now totally obscuring the light. KBC has agreed to write to resident and ask to cut back. Street light on Podmore Park no 4 (opp 25 Donaldson Avenue) is out and full</p>	<p>Actions</p> <p>Clerk to chase KBC again and ask about a solar light source</p>

of water. KBC have raised jobs for both. Chased 15.03.18. A notice has been put on the streetlight to let residents know it has been reported and is in hand. **ONGOING**

Cllr Rose reported that the wall opposite the Red Lion by the bus stop has deteriorated due to the tree pushing the wall over. Clerk contacted KBC and the Senior Building Control Surveyor attended the site. They reported back that they removed the loose brickwork from the top of the wall and left a card for the owner of the wall to contact them as they were not available. The remainder of the wall was not deemed to be at risk of falling at the time of the visit. KBC replied: Regarding the wall, I can confirm the owner did contact us following our visit. There is no further action required by Building Control at this time. BPC decided as it is not deemed serious, they shall just keep an eye on the wall. **RESOLVED**

Matters arising from February Minutes

19/7932

Cllr Scouse added that at the Unitary meeting herself and Cllr Bull attended last month, KBC would need to go to consultation with the residents on whether or not they would want Kettering to become a Town Council or a Parish Council and residents will probably want to know how much this would cost. There were no indications on cost at the time. It was also recognised that as the process of dissolving KBC progressed, there will be consultation with Parish Councils by the shadow authority which will come into effect in May 2019.

19/7936 Finance

All bank mandates and address finally changed. **RESOLVED**

19/7941

Cllr Bull reported that opposite Rob Price Motors, Northampton Road, there have been regular instances of human excrement behind the hedge and a lot of rubbish over the fields. There is a public footpath nearby.

Various suggestions were offered as to why this is happening however this is now an environmental issue and will be reported to KBC for investigation.

Other reports of similar incidents were noted - Butts Lane, the corner of Donaldson Avenue and a report of toilet paper with excrement on, strewn across the Village Hall Playing Fields. Reported to KBC who replied Enforcement will take place soon. **ONGOING**

Cllr Wade reported that the stiles, gates and posts are rotten. Cllr Baxter had previously reported them to NCC and was asked to find out who the land owner is. This was done and reported back to NCC but no work has been

Chair to contact KBC again and clerk to put on future Agendas until further notice.

	<p>carried out. Update: All work is now complete and members expressed their gratitude on the good standard of work. RESOLVED</p> <p>Cllr Wyeth commented that the step over stile has not yet been done at the top of Glebe Avenue but it was discussed that this is not an official one.</p> <p>Cllr Scouse suggested a meeting with the Village Hall Committee might be an idea as they had requested financial assistance towards their development project but this request had come too late again to be considered in the 2019-20 budget and as a result BPC had to refuse. The meeting would be to ensure the Village Hall Committee make any such requests in the Autumn before the precept is set for the following year. Cllr West is on the Village Hall Committee and said she would remind them again.</p>	Cllr West to remind them.
19/7958	<p>Correspondence (7)</p> <p>The following correspondence were put into circulation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Invitation to Mayors Charity Tea Party ○ SSLC Membership Information ○ Northamptonshire ACRE Facilities Membership Information ○ Letter from Highways England – M1 J13-16 ○ Rural Wellbeing leaflet ○ Rural Services Network 	Actions
19/7959	<p>Reports of Members attending meeting of other bodies (8)</p> <p>Cllr's Scouse and Wade met with KBC at Pocket Park. (please see agenda item 14)</p>	Actions
19/7960	<p>Policing (9)</p> <p>As a result of a recent spate of activity in the local area with perpetrators attempting to break into vehicles and property, the police have been collecting evidence including CCTV footage. It is reported that there are clear images from a number of locations which will assist the police in their investigations.</p> <p>Cllr's Robson and Wyeth attended a local Neighbourhood Watch meeting with Church Street residents and the coordinator of all the Neighbourhood Watch schemes. The idea is to try and establish how best Street Watch can communicate with other surrounding Neighbourhood Watch schemes to raise awareness to residents and to set up more Neighbourhood Watch streets. Many residents now have devices that capture images and these are proving a good tool in the fight against crime as images are very clear. Intelligence was shared and is now being collated.</p> <p>Cllr Wyeth will be delivering 1000 leaflets for Street Watch as there are still residents unaware of its identity.</p>	<p>Actions</p> <p>Clerk to put on next Agenda Broughton News (importance of cctv)</p>

	<p>It was raised that other local areas are considering ANPR and CCTV to cover villages but no evidence of viability has been submitted yet. ANPR would need to be linked up to the police for car tracking purposes.</p> <p><i>Residents are requested to report all non urgent crime and anti social behaviour to the police by either calling 101 or filling in an online form www.northants.police.uk/webform/online-crime-reporting</i></p> <p><i>For emergencies or serious crime, call 999 immediately</i></p>	
19/7961	<p>Development control (10)</p> <p>Members were reminded that the Neighbourhood Plan should always be consulted now when looking at Planning applications for consideration.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Planning applications for consideration</u></p> <p>KET/2019/0088 Mr Perkins 2 Meacham Close Full – First floor side extension No comment</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Planning Decisions</u></p> <p>KET/2019/0040 Mr Chandler 6 Lenton Close First floor side and ground floor rear extensions. APPROVED</p> <p>KET/2019/0038 Mr Mann 3 Thoday Close Change of use of existing garage (front part only) to dog grooming parlour APPROVED</p> <p>KET/2019/0039 Mrs Hodgkins The Gables, 54 Church Street Application for Listed Building Consent. Replace fire with a wood burner and hearth with natural slate, whilst retaining the mantelpiece. Install liner and rain/bird guard to chimney</p> <p>Members expressed their concerns that DB Symentry now looks to have had</p>	Actions

	<p>semi approval and is now being forwarded to the Secretary of State for conclusion.</p> <p>Cllr Bull provided members with a copy of the neighbourhood plan conditions document and a summary of the policies to refer to when considering planning applications.</p>											
19/7962	<p>Finance (11)</p> <p>Feb statement - Savings £11,458.95 Feb statement - Community £18,889.26</p> <p>March statement - Savings £11,464.66 March statement - Community £17,891.60</p> <p>Cheques issued from Community account 20th March 2019</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Zen internet DD</td> <td>5.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BRT PF & VH Ass SO</td> <td>10.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A. McDaid 867</td> <td>215.76</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC income tax 868</td> <td>54.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A. McDaid 869</td> <td>12.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>There is no interest currently being paid on the community account.</p>	Zen internet DD	5.99	BRT PF & VH Ass SO	10.20	A. McDaid 867	215.76	HMRC income tax 868	54.00	A. McDaid 869	12.00	<p>Actions</p> <p>Clerk to look into other banks that may offer interest. Contact ACRE</p>
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19/7963	<p>Traffic calming costs (12)</p> <p>The S106 money awarded originally from the Redrow Development was £72,137.00 and was collected by KBC in 2014. Interest was earned and when funds were transferred to NCC Highways in April 2016, they amounted to £83,851.56. NCC Highways have confirmed that there will not be any additional interest on this money accumulated since April 2016.</p> <p>Members agreed that the next step is to have a meeting with Highways to discuss the best way forward and look at any additional costs that have not yet been identified and the exact location conditions of the agreement.</p>	<p>Actions</p> <p>Clerk to check legality</p> <p>Chair to contact Highways</p>										
19/7964	<p>Grit bins (13)</p> <p>As we now enter spring, it was decided to postpone this item until the Sept Agenda</p>	<p>Actions</p> <p>Clerk to add to Sept/Oct Agenda.</p>										

<p>19/7965</p>	<p>Podmore Park (14)</p> <p>Cllr Scouse and Cllr Wade had an encouraging onsite meeting with KBC to discuss the Rospa report.</p> <p>It was proposed to repaint both swing units as they are sound, just tatty. Climbing frame has now been condemned and obsolete. KBC will try and replace like for like from this financial year's fund if any but if unavailable, it will be financed from April onwards.</p> <p>Works to include: take away black floor tiles and replace with grass just replacing tiles where there is heavy wear and looking at the possibility of a roundabout.</p> <p>The existing seating bench needs replacing.</p> <p>New mini-muti unit.</p> <p>The Rospa report included comments on the gate as it closes very flush to the post and the heightened possibility of finger trapping. KBC have taken photographs of the gate and will seek advice as it could be complicated to modify.</p> <p>The meeting then moved onto the Old Memorial gardens where there was a discussion about demolishing the wall. It became apparent that this would not be possible because of the access to the site. Instead, repairing the wall where the steps are would be a better option. Works will include: removing slabbed internal pathway, re-soil and seed, plant up with spring bulbs and depending on space, up to 4 small trees depending on space.</p> <p>Members noted that it already looks much better than it did a year ago as it has been tidied up and agreed works would make a significant improvement</p>	<p>Actions</p>
<p>19/7966</p>	<p>General interest items (15)</p> <p>Pocket Park/Parsons spinney– KBC replied to the clerk who asked about continuing with its 12 month management agreement for the site and who is responsible for felling trees if need be. KBC replied that all major tree works would be carried out by them.</p> <p>Cllr Baxter bought up that he has received a resident complaint about the footpath (GD15) adjacent to Crane Close. Aggregate has washed away exposing large tree roots growing up into the footpath which are now dangerous.</p> <p>Cllr Baxter also emailed KBC to say thank you on behalf of BPC for doing a marvellous job in Bakehouse Lane with the cutting of the grass.</p> <p>Cllr Scouse also thanked and showed KBC, the crocus that were provided through the Operation Spring Bloom scheme and planted last year by members</p>	<p>Actions</p> <p>Clerk to email and find out who the fence belongs to on the Pychley side.</p> <p>Clerk to email NCC re footpath</p>

	<p>of BPC.</p> <p>Cllr Bull presented to members, the dummy Parish Council website she had been working on. Members were very impressed with the progress made so far and the features the site offers. The Sub Committee will continue to work on it and enquire on the hosting costs and any additional costs.</p> <p>Cllr West forwarded on a request from the Village Hall regarding how they would like the room left after usage. There is a safety issue with handling heavy tables so Cllr West will report back.</p> <p>Cllr West also asked what is happening on the roadworks on the A43. General opinion is that works are probably being carried out for sewage/main water works.</p>	
19/7967	<p>Date of next meeting (16) Wednesday 17th April 2019</p>	
19/7968	<p>Any other matters that the Chair considers to be urgent (17) No further matters were raised and the meeting was closed at 8.20pm</p>	Actions

Signed:

Dated: