

# **BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL.**

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## **Minutes of the Broughton Parish Council held at Broughton Baptist Church, 7pm, Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

### **Councillors Present:**

Cllr R. Shrive (Chair)

Cllr. H. Bull

Cllr M. Gray

Cllr C. Taylor

Cllr M. Rose.

### **Ward Councillors present:**

Cllr J Currall

### **1/24. Apologies.**

Cllr P Scouse

Cllr J O' Hara

### **2/24. Declarations of Interest.**

None were received.

### **3/24. Minutes.**

Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and copies were circulated. The minutes were approved by members and was authorised for signature by the chair. **RESOLVED.**

BPC - Broughton Parish Council.

NNC - North Northamptonshire Council.

SID – Speed Indicator Device

### **4/24. Public right to speak.**

No members of the public were present

### **5/24. Reports from NNC Councillors.**

End of year so committee commitments will be distributed in May.

Cllr Currall appeared on a video with the MP in response to the works carried out at Pytchley Crossroads which was shared on his socials.

**Action: Clerk to email Cllr Currell as solar powered electronic sign from Pytchley still displays Give Way sign.**

### **6/24. Report from clerk & correspondence**

149/23

- Cllr Shrive reported 30mph speed limit sign is down in Wellingborough Road. Ref: 5367562. **Completed.**

167/23 – The clerk is continuing to look into grant schemes for the play equipment. Tesco Stronger Start is inviting applications for the **July – August 2024** voting period of its Stronger Start grant scheme. Grants of up to £1,500 are available.

182/23 The clerk has sent a photo of the broken fence by the old memorial garden to NNC and asked if they could mend/replace it. **Update: This is ongoing but clerk will contact Western Power to enquire if it is their fence.**

Weldon stone parking has been resolved.

185/23 The clerk wrote to a resident regarding parking in Wellingborough Road. The residents explained that permission has already been obtained for a driveway and dropped curb to be installed on their property and the legitimate reason for their need to park near their house based on health issues when other vehicles force them to move further forward.

### **Clerk Report**

The clerk received interest from a resident interested in becoming a parish councilor.

Cllr Bull reported several bad potholes in the dip on Wellingborough Road towards Pytchley. Ref 5783553 Completed

The 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the newsletter has now been published

The clerk is yet to speak to Dean Jones from Northamptonshire Community Foundation about their Rural Community Fund opening in June

### **April 2024 correspondence**

- Leaders update 22/03/2024, 05/04/2024
- Kettering Energy Park: Amended Masterplan and Additional Consultation (Ends 15th May 2024)
- PFCC Election May 2 – Election statement from candidate

### **7/24. Reports from external meetings**

There were no external meetings attended this month.

### **8/24. High Street Play Equipment – update on quotes**

Playdale sent a revised quote for play equipment. Items quoted for were an embankment slide tower, an embankment slide and a gravity bowl which included grasslock surfacing, delivery and installation. The quote came in at £12,737.30 NET.

**Action – Chair/clerk to contact Dave Lane to see if equipment is suitable and seek either written permission to enable BPC to apply for match funding or ask if there are any grant streams NNC can apply to for match funding as the landowners.**

#### 9/24. – Traffic Calming - update on Northampton Road consultation

Sarah Barnwell advised that consultation is now all completed, and the scheme can proceed to the next design stage.

In line with Council policy, NNC now need to apply to the Developer Contributions Board to have the S106 money released to enable the necessary surveys and detailed design work. All being well, this should be presented at the next board meeting on 11 April.

NNC will update us after the Board meeting. **Action: Clerk to chase**

#### 10/24. Rural Housing – Northamptonshire ACRE

It was decided to defer discussion until next month where it will be added back onto the agenda.

**Action: Clerk to invite the lady who gave initial presentation at NACRE meeting to BPC June meeting.**

#### 11/24. Gov.uk domain

The main two reasons for parish and town councils not adopting .gov.uk were cost and difficulty of registration. Now, both of those barriers have been removed. Firstly, the Cabinet Office has set up the Parish Council Domains Helper Service (PCDHS) to help parish and town councils to own and operate a .gov.uk domain more easily. Essentially, there are three aspects to the service:

1. A suite of practical advice, guidance, and reference materials - taking councils through the process of registering, adopting and maintaining a .gov.uk domain.
2. An enhanced level of support from .gov.uk domain registrars who understand the needs of parish councils.
3. Help with costs - a one-off contribution (£100 + VAT) towards a new .gov.uk domain

There are a series of workshops available on the following dates on which councillors will attend at their own convenience:

19th April 10 - 10.45  
25th April 12.30 - 1.15  
26th April 9.30 - 10.15  
2nd May 4 - 4.45

#### 12/24. Development control / Planning Report.

##### **Planning applications**

NK/2024/0158

LOCATION: The Hollies, Coxs Lane, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Certificate of Lawfulness for Proposed Operations: New roof light to ancillary building.

No comment

NK/2024/2201

LOCATION: 35 Wellingborough Road, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Approval of Condition: Condition No.3 (Materials) of NK/2022/0747

No comment

##### **Planning Decisions**

None

**13/24. Finance Report – to resolve to pay yearly subscriptions to SLCC & NACRE along with normal monthly payments**

**April 2024 statements**

Nationwide 125-day saver - £17,093.18

Nationwide 35-day saver - £5,030.29

Community - £13,936.27

Credits to Nationwide 125 day-saver account

Interest		£580.85
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Credits to Nationwide 35 day-saver account

Transfer		£30.29
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Credits to Community account

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Payments issued from Community account.

Payee	Method	Amount
Salary - mth 1	Bank transfer	£414.77
HMRC income tax	Bank transfer	£103.60
A McDaid home working, webpage, phone and ink for printer	Bank transfer	£46.70
A McDaid reimbursement – Memorial garden	Bank transfer	£263.81
ICO subscription	Bank transfer	£40.00
SLCC subscription	Bank transfer	£144.00
NACRE subscription	Bank transfer	£42.00
CPRE Subscription	Bank transfer	£36.00

Cllr Shrive to authorise payments this month.

The insurance quote from Clear Councils for next year is £711.07. **Action: Clerk to ask if a three year deal can be done as previously**

**14/24. Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2023/24 and to appoint Internal Auditor**

Total income for 2023-24 - £19,197.00

Total expenditure for 2023-24 - £16,888.00

Start of year C/F - £36,060.00

It was resolved to ask Tino La Torre, being independent to BPC, to audit the accounts and AGAR again this year.

**15/24. Items for consideration at next meeting**

Rural housing

Savings account

**16/24. Date of next meeting.**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**17/24. Any other matters that the Chair considers to be urgent.**

The meeting was closed at 7:35pm

**Signed:**

**Dated:**

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