MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRAILES PARISH COUNCIL

MONDAY 25thth April 2016 AT 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAILES

Present: Cllr Ashall Cllr Lloyd

Cllr Rosenthal Cllr Witherick

Cllr Greaves

Cllr Saint Cllr Gray

Apologies – Cllr de Maillet, Cllr Kaack

Clerk, Amanda Wasdell and around 10 Members of the Public

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| 1. Disclosure of Interest.   Members are asked to declare personal interests in any item on the Agenda. You are reminded that the Code of Conduct, which took effect from August 28th 2012, provides that if you have a prejudicial interest in any matter under discussion you should withdraw from the room and not seek improperly to influence a decision in the matter.  Cllr Lloyd recorded the meeting,– Cllr Greaves would like clarification as to whether or not this is allowed as an individual councilor, given the Parish Council as a whole voted not to record meetings . | Clark to get clarification |
| 1. Thanks go to Chris Righton, Martin Cole, Clive Jefferies, Helen Taylor and all the landowners for their efforts in the beacon lighting to celebrate the Queen’s 90th Birthday on the 21st April. |  |
| 1. Approve discuss and sign the Minutes of the April 4th Meeting   Proposed by Cllr Rosenthal, 2nded by Cllr Witherick, agreed by all |  |
| 1. Update from last month   Maintenance is still ongoing and proceeding. | Clerk to keep chasing. |
| 1. Reports from other Committees/Sub Committees and meetings   Neighbourhood Plan – Update from the NP Steering Committee - Peter Jordan updated the PC. The website now has uploaded all the NP info, thanks to Paul Clark for his work on this. The Housing Needs Survey forms have been applied for by 9 households, and they have a few weeks more to submit them. |  |
| 1. Floodwatch Report –            There was a meeting on the 18th April with Paul Rimen from WCC.  SDC grants need to be chased up. Cllr Ashall noted and asked that it be minuted that there was a meeting with a representative from the Environment Agency in the last month, and a Councilor was present at that meeting as a friend and advisor.  The Councilor did not mention at the last meeting when the EA and a meeting with them was discussed, the knowledge of this existing forthcoming meeting |  |
| 1. Matters Arising since the last meeting  * Standing orders have been amended to reflect a policy on verbal abuse and abuse in correspondence. All voted to accept these. Proposed by Cllr Witherick, 2nded by Cllr Rosenthal. * Annual Parish Meeting – Tuesday 31st May. Annual Meeting of Parish Council as well. Publicise the event. All agreed, and the planning meeting is to be held on the 14th May * Thanks to Maggie Goren for organising the Brass Band concert which raised £200 for the Brownies and Guides to share. * Queen’s 90th Birthday Celebrations. Friday 10th June, 6-8pm Village Hall. Bring your own picnic. And the WI to plant the tree. * Insurance – The clerk is going to ask Cllr de Maillet to look over the insurance policy with her. * Finance meeting – to look over finances, prepare end of year reports and look over financial regulations that need to be adopted – 10th May? | Clerk to put notices up on notice boards.  Clerk to ask Cllr de Maillet |
| 1. County and District Reports  * Cllr Saint reported that the Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service is one of the few that are still on their own, and not a shared service with another county. This means they retain control and independence over management. * There is an increase in burden on the Social Care Services in the County, so there is a move to a MASH (Multi Agency Services Hub) that provides an overview and integration of the services. * Stratford upon Avon bus services are being reduced. The bus service to and from Banbury is changing, but not sure what those changes will be. Johnson’s Coaches are taking over the service from 1st June which will be a reduced service due to a loss of subsidy on the Oxfordshire side. All agreed to write a letter to object to the reduction in service. * Cllr Grey – Updated that the PCC Elections are on the 5th May. * The management reshuffle mentioned in previous months has gone ahead. * The Core Strategy should now be found to be sound and could be adopted in July. * Long Compton Village has had its NDP adopted. * Shakespeare’s celebrations went well. | Clerk to write |
| 1. Maintenance.  * Chris Righton has tendered a quote for the mowing. Cllr greaves proposed, Cllr Witherick 2nded that the PC accepts this quote, all agreed. * Broken seat of the bench on the High Street. | Clerk |
| 1. Correspondence   Maggie Goren wrote to report on the Brass Band Concert.  Gary Bonsor wrote to ask that the NP is used to object to the Betty’s Field application, which could come at the East Area Planning Committee in Early June. The PC discussed this letter and agreed that a letter be sent back to Gary to explain that the NP could not be used as a tool to object to planning applications nor would it be ready y the beginning of June. However the PC was keen to put together a co-ordinated strategy of objection to Betty’s Field should it come up at East Area Planning soon. | Clerk |
| 1. Members of the Public   Martin Cole – Asked that the PC could write to Highways to request that a smaller lorry is used to take refuse from Butcher’s Lane as it is being damaged by a bigger lorry.  Chris Barratt offered to share an ecological findings report on Betty’s Field that shows some v rare species have a habitat there to add to the objection to Betty’s Field. After a discussion the PC proposed to have a public meeting to discuss Betty’s Field. Cllr Greaves proposed, Cllr Rosenthal 2nded, agreed by all. | Clerk |
| 1. Planning   16/00855/FUL – Hill House, Upper Brailes – Replacement of existing conservatory with single storey extension. Alteration to Porch roof and insertion of new dormer window to roof. – **Decision needed by 5th May 2016 – The PC all agreed no representation**  16/00914/LBC – Stonecroft, Upper Brailes – Re-building of water well in front of House – **Decision agreed and submitted was no objection**  16/00899/FUL - Long Barn House, Holloway Hill, Lower Brailes. Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling (including creation of new access onto private driveway already approved and extant under 00/00894/FUL) with detached garage/ancillary living space.  **Decision agreed and submitted was to object at 16.4.16 planning meeting**  14/03040/OUT – Land off Orchard Close, Lower Brailes **-** Erection of up to 25 dwellings, associated garages, public open space, vehicular access off Orchard Close and pedestrian/cycle and emergency access off School Lane. – **Decision agreed and submitted was to continue with objection**  16/00902/FUL – Land to rear of Old Bakery, Friary Lane, Lower Brailes, Construction of 2 detached dwellings and associated garages **– Decision agreed and submitted was to object**  16/00286/FUL- Old Farmhouse – **Is due to be discussed at East Area Planning Committee on April 27th**  15/03647/REM – Land off Sutton Lane has been granted approval.  15/04842 – Green End Farm –Lower Brailes **Permission Granted with Conditions** | Clerk  Clerk  Planning Meeting on site 16.4.16, 9.30am |
| 1. Finance     Receipts – BT Wayleave £18.37  Payments requiring authorization:  Rialtas Financial Software £133.20 (VAT 22.20)  Cotswold Teak Bench £323.33  Amanda Wasdell Salary £587.60  Amanda Wasdell Expenses £120.56(VAT £18.83)  payments by BACS were approved at the last meeting and have been paid to:  Amanda Wasdell Salary £587.60  Warwickshire County Council NDP £1215.00    Proposed by Cllr Rosenthal, 2nded by Cllr Witherick, agreed by all to make these payments |  |
| Date of next meeting –Tues 31st May 2016 in the Pavilion |  |
| Items for next meeting –Finance, Lower Green as a PC asset? |  |