MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRAILES PARISH COUNCIL

MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAILES

Present: Cllr Greaves Cllr Kaack

Cllr Rosenthal Cllr Witherick

Cllr Cole Cllr Grey

Apologies – Cllr Saint, Cllr Lloyd

Clerk and 14 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. |  |
| 1. Approve and sign the Minutes of the Jan 30th Meeting, to agree any apologies –   Apologies received from Cllr Saint Lloyd. Proposed by Cllr Cole, 2nded by Cllr Rosenthal, agreed by all. |  |
| 1. Report from the last meeting,  * E-mail sent to Michael Rogers re flood signs and other * Letter was sent to Brian Nockalls. |  |
| 1. Reports from Sub-Committees   NDP Louise Couchman reported that the draft NDP is out for consultation. There have been a few comments from the community and SDC 0 they are working their way through these. Mid April hopefully the next draft will be out for consultation.  Louise was asked to comment on Paul Clark’s comments from the last month which was asking about sites being allocated based on location rather than those offered. The chair suggested that the NDP meeting would be the best forum for this discussion. |  |
| 1. Floodwatch – Ken Taylor’s flood report follows:   Report on the meeting 16/12/2016, Brailes Flood Group (BFG) and Multi Agencies. This was a complicated meeting as both WCC Highways and Flood Team were recruiting new staff in the posts with whom we had previously liaised and the other Agencies were not necessarily aware of the varied and widespread problems in both villages. These have considerable knock on effects and it was very hard for the BFG to collate a coherent and meaningful meeting. STW came out top of the meeting, as our contact of 2 years, Aaron, attended. As promised he arranged a complete site inspection (camera and flushing) of the area School Lane down to Main Road/Jeffs Close.  A compromised pipe was discovered at 4 Oaks, Main Road. This will have to be replaced and the appropriate notices will be issued for when they close one lane of the Main Road. Aaron had also promised regular inspection of the system and Sutton Lane/Main Road/Jeffs Close was flushed out etc a few weeks ago. These meetings are arranged through the Flood Forum. We analysed the last meeting and have drafted an Agenda for the next meeting with the Agencies on 17/3/2017. Hopefully the new WCC staff will be in post and we will invite them for a tour of the problems. The Flood Forum representatives did the tour 2 weeks ago and they it found very useful, being able to seeing the areas not just having names in a report. The Agenda will include the PC's interest in the Community Road Warning Scheme.  We will, I think, have to have a formal Village Flood Resilience Team and whilst there is an early warning flood scheme vaguely in place, it is reliant on insomniacs for the night time downpours. We have volunteered Mick Fidoe, 2 Orchard Close and Chris Westerman, The Old Coach House, of BFG to start the team and do some research. May we have support/volunteers from the PC? Ken Taylor Floodwatch. |  |
| 1. Matters Arising since the last meeting   Those needing decisions:  Tree on the Lower Green – Cllr Ashall and Cllr Cole to liaise as to whether it needs to be felled. Look into whether planning permission would be needed.  Save the Horton Campaign – all councilors agreed that it would be a good idea to invite them to arrange a meeting, but also to invite a representative from the other side. Proposed from Cllr Rosenthal, 2nded by Cllr Greaves, agreed by all. | Clerk  Clerk |
| 1. District and County Councilor Reports   Cllr Grey reported that the District Council is consulting a budgetary increase of 2%. He offered his help with the housing numbers for the NDP if he can.  The DC tax levels have been agreed for the next year. Brailes is getting £200 less.  Clerk to write to SDC to ask for £200 back. |  |
| 1. Maintenance   Street Lamp at the corner of Jeffs Close and Sutton Lane is damaged and in need of repair. The clerk has already reported it.  The Mile Markers need cleaned and repainted  The kerbstone outside 2 Bakery Cottages is in need of repair. |  |
| 1. Correspondence   Chris Righton has written to ask if there can be a zebra crossing near the school. Cllr Gray agreed with the councilors that there probably, sadly needs to be an incident before this is considered.  Chris Righton also asked that a black wheelie bin is put in the burial ground for all the plastic wrapping that comes from the flowers.  He also informed the PC that the Village Hall Committee are intending to apply for a small area bar to be added to the Village Hall, and hopes that the PC will be supporting of the application.  The clerk has received a letter via Cllr Cole from Jane Burman asking for the PC to contact WCC and Johnsons to ask them to look at the bus times, particularly the 50A Stratford-Chipping Norton. | Clerk  Clerk |
| 1. Members of the Public   There were comments from several members of the public regarding the planning application 17/00324/FUL in opposition to the application due to its position, scale and building outside of the boundary for permitted development.  There was a request to hold the planning meeting in the Village Hall, this was dismissed due to the meeting on site being more important than being in the VH. Erry Lilly added that she has not been given her site notice as a neighbour, and could the site notices be more obvious, when they are put up near the site. The site notices need to be as close to the site as possible so this would not be an option. Cllr Gray added that the site notices are up to SDC and to definitely contact them. |  |
| 1. Planning   **17/00324/FUL** – Field adjoining former Methodist Chapel, Off chapel Lane, Upper Brailes – Erection of a single dwelling – **Comments due by 13/03/17**  **16/04033/FUL** – Cotswold Cottage, Upper Brailes, OX15 5AT – Conversion of garage to holiday let, erection of fencing to create private amenity area for use by holiday let ad associated works – **Unanimous decision at planning meeting on 11th Feb 2017 of no objection.**  **16/03307/FUL** – Land rear of Old Bakery, Friars Lane, Lower Brailes – Detached dwelling and garage – **Comment was submitted to uphold objection – Will go to committee on the 1st March**  **16/02804/FUL** – Feldon Valley, Sutton Lane, Lower Brailes – Erection of accommodation building containing 13 bedrooms, creation of 4 no accommodation lodges, reorganization of existing car par, and associated landscaping to include timber walkway – **went to planning committee earlier in the month.**  **NO decisions were made but a planning committee meeting will be held on the 4th March at 9.45 am at the site of the Field Adjoining the former Methodist Church. This was proposed by Cllr Rosenthal, 2nded by Cllr Greaves, agreed by all.** |  |
| 1. Finance.   Receipt – Locke and Son Burial £300.00  Payments requiring authorization:  Clerk Salary Dec and Jan £1,212.64  Stratford District Council NDP £648.00(£108VAT)  Ash Tree Care Removal of overhanging branches £240.00  RBS Software Accounts package £135.60(£22.60VAT)  SDC Election £1673.48  Chris Righton Mowing and Strimming £1669.0 (£278VAT)  Payments – payments by BACS were approved at the last meeting and have been paid to:  Clerk Salary £606.32  Greyhound Leisure Playground Repairs £900 (£150 VAT)  J2B Print Draft Plans for NDP £67.20 (£11.20 VAT)  SDC Uncontested Election Dec 2015 £100 |  |
| Date of next meeting –Monday 27th March 2017 in the Village Hall |  |
| The meeting was closed at 8.30pm |  |
| Items for next meeting |  |
| DATES FOR MEETINGS THROUGH THE YEAR:  FEB 27TH  MARCH 27TH  APRIL 24TH ANNUAL MEETINGS  MAY 30TH (TUESDAY)  JUNE 26TH  JULY 31ST  AUGUST 29TH (Tuesday)  SEPT 25TH  OCT 30TH  DEC 11TH |  |