## **BROMPTON-ON-SWALE PARISH COUNCIL**

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### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Thursday 6 September 2018

Present:

Cllrs

A Guest

D Sharp

M Rutter

R King

R Haynes

S Ducker

The Clerk

1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs Mason and Dempsey. County Cllr Carl Les, District Cllr Ian Threlfall

2. **Open Forum:** No members of the public present

#### 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2018 were approved

Proposed:

Cllr D Sharp

Seconded:

Cllr R King

#### 4. Matters Arising

4.1 100 years Commemoration of end of the First World War – Joint Project with Primary School (Minutes 12 July, item 4.2.2) – The Chairman met with Mr Firmin, Deputy Headteacher of Brompton-on-Swale CE Primary School. He is keen to take up a joint project with the Parish Council and will discuss projects with his teaching staff. Mr Firmin proposes to start the project after half term (from 5 November). The Chairman said the Parish Council could provide book tokens/WH Smith vouchers if appropriate. The Chairman asked for approval to buy 3 prizes of £25, £15 and £10. Councillors agreed with the proposal.

Proposed:

Cllr R Haynes

Seconded:

Cllr M Rutter

Mr Firmin had said Councillors were welcome to go in to school to see the work the children were doing for the project and for the presentation assembly where the prizes would be given out. The Chairman will give further information at the next Parish Council meeting on 18 October.

- 4.2 Notice Board (Minutes of 12 July, item 4.3) The Chairman has spoken to a local builder/handyman who has said it will be quite easy to remove the noticeboard from its current location and placing it onto the wall next to the post office. However, the Chairman was concerned the top of the noticeboard would obscure part of the Post Office sign. Cllr Haynes said the owner of the post office must be consulted before any work commenced.
- 4.3 Defibrillator (Minutes 12 July, item 11.1) The Chairman said we had received the funds from the Tesco Bags of Help Scheme which would enable the Parish Council to purchase a second defibrillator for the village. The Landlady of the Crown Pub has agreed to site the defibrillator on the front wall of the building and the Brewery has drawn up a licence for this purpose. The Chairman and Clerk have read the licence and believe it to be correct. However, it was suggested ClIr Mason check the licence. ClIr King asked whether the building was listed or whether it was in the conservation area. It was decided to check these details with RDC Planning department.

Action – The Clerk and Cllr Mason

#### 5. Reports

#### 5.1 Report from the Police

PC Wood said there had been more issues than usual in the village. There had been 7 reported incidents of theft from the recycling centre in July and August, a house burglary and the theft of a lorry.

The Clerk mentioned issues of speeding through the village and Gatherley Road. The Community Speed Watch Scheme was discussed. PC Wood suggested implementing a speed survey in the village so that issues in the village can be pinpointed. He will arrange to visit various locations in and around the village with a speed gun. He said the Parish Council would get a better interpretation of speeds if a survey was done.

Action - PC Wood and The Clerk

An email was received from a resident who is concerned the area around the Community Sports Hall has become a problem with youths congregating. The hall and field are listed as a 'hot spot' and the PSCO has been patrolling the area more frequently. Damage has been done to the boiler flu and other fabric of the building. Residents who have concerns should call the Police, email the Safer Neighbourhood Team and/or PC Mark Wood. PC Wood said he would continue to pay attention to the area and urged residents to call the police. The Chairman asked PC Wood if he could follow up on the case regarding damage to the Sports Hall Building.

Action - PC Wood

#### 5.1 Report from the Village Society

There are issues with the hot water in the building. Three local people are working on the grounds which has made a difference to the area. Yoga continues at the hall on a regular basis. The Chairman suggested a door to door survey might help to attract new committee members.

#### 6. Current Issues

6.1 Replant Oak Trees - An email had been received from RDC regarding two Oak trees requiring a 'new home'. They are currently situated on the grass verge outside North Yorkshire Timber and Moduloft. If the Parish Council were to accept the tree donation they must be replanted on Parish Land. It is understood NYT will arrange replanting of the trees. The Chairman said a possible location would be the perimeter of the sports field. This was agreed.

Action - The Clerk

6.2 **Red Telephone Box** - A resident asked Cllr King to ask if the Parish Council was going to do anything with the telephone box. Cllr Sharp suggested it could be made into a cycle workstation. He said this had been tried and tested in the Lake District for mountain bikes. Cllr Haynes said we should adopt the telephone box and cost up the cycle workshop option. He would like to see the defibrillator in the phone box however timescales for the defib funding will not allow this. Other ideas mentioned for the phone box were to be used as a community facility, such as a library.

Councillors agreed to adopt the telephone box.

Proposed:

Cilr Rutter

Seconded:

Cllr Haynes

Councillors agreed to look into converting the telephone box into a cycle workstation.

Proposed:

Cllr Rutter

Seconded:

Cllr Sharp

Cllr Sharp has agreed to manage the project.

Action - Cllr Sharp and The Clerk

- 6.3 **Mile Marker Gatherley Road** Cllr King had been asked by a resident where the mile marker along Gatherley Road near the Farmers Arms had gone. Councillors did not know who had removed it and when it had been removed.
- 6.4 **Signage from 'back of the tip to Scorton' –** There is a footpath from the back of the tip to Scorton. There are no signs marking the footpath until Scorton is reached. Cllr Sharp said because of ongoing quarry works there is no public right of way at present.

#### 7. Parish Finances

7.1 To receive and note the payments previously authorised (circulated prior to the meeting).

The full grant from Tesco/Groundworks has been received for the Defibrillator project. A VAT refund of £678.94 has been received. The second half of the precept is now due to be received. A mobile phone has been purchased for £37.50 as previously agreed. No further questions were raised.

Proposed:

Cllr King

Seconded:

Cllr Sharp

# 7.2 To receive a Bank Reconciliation and Budget Comparison for the year to date (circulated prior to the meeting).

The Council has currently spent less than budget on grass cutting. However, cutting is weather dependent on the grass growth so the full budget allowance may be used during the season. A memorial bench has been purchased on behalf of a resident. The resident will reimburse the Parish Council when works are complete. No further questions were raised.

Proposed:

Cllr King

Seconded:

Cllr Sharp

7.3 The following payments were approved.

There were no new payments

#### 8. Correspondence

A letter had been received from Rishi Sunak regarding the Noise Barriers for the A1 this included a letter from Highways England. Highways England said that a pre-scheme assessment was carried out which considered impact on all residential properties within 300 metres. The result of the assessment showed that noise levels were expected to reduce when the motorway was completed and opened for traffic. There is no requirement to consider specific noise fencing in the areas mentioned.

RDC Environmental Services can undertake a noise survey. Cllr Threlfall was waiting for a resident to contact him regarding the survey. The Clerk had also contacted the resident regarding the survey. Cllrs asked the Clerk to contact the resident again to remind them of the need to speak to Cllr Threlfall regarding the noise survey.

Action - The Clerk

- 8.2 A letter was received from RDC informing of the Town/Parish Council elections which will take place on Thursday 7 May. The letter advised of the approximate recharges whether the election is contested or uncontested.
- 8.3 The Chairman had received an email from Citizens Advice. The Rural Advice Bus is now on the road. It is self-sufficient with advisors and iPad. The letter asks whether we would be interested in the bus visiting Brompton-on-Swale. Cllr King suggested Wednesdays during the morning since The Hub was on at the church on this day. It may be possible to park in the church car park.

Action - The Clerk

8.4 An email was received from RDC regarding the Local Plan Review Issues and Options Consultation. This had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. The Chairman proposed Councillors consider the consultation documents carefully and return to the meeting on 18 October to discuss.

Action - All Councillors

- 9. To consider and decide upon the following **Planning Applications** 
  - 9.1 18/00550/FULL Full Planning Permission for Siting of Storage Container, Portaloo and Extension of Existing Hardcore parking area for 20 Cars at Recreation Ground, Johnson Close, BOS.

A discussion between the Councillors and applicant took place. Councillors said they had no objections to the planning application however they expressed concerns over the security/stability of the porta loo during such times the recreational ground is not in use by the football teams. Councillors said RTFC must ensure the portaloo is secured in such a manor that it cannot be tipped over to allay their concerns and objection

Action - The Clerk

9.2 18/00586/FULL – Full Planning Permission for Renewal of Planning Approval (15/00766/FULL) for Garage to the side of the Property to include First Floor Accommodation for Carers at High Gatherley Barn, Gatherley Road, BOS.

There were no objections or comments made regarding the above-mentioned planning application.

Action - The Clerk

- 10 To receive the following Planning Decision/Information
  - 10.1 **18/00408/FULL –** Bark Fish Farm, Parkgate Lane, BOS **NO OBJECTION/COMMENTS**
  - 10.2 18/00496/FULL 44 Richmond Road, BOS NO OBJECTION/COMMENTS
  - 10.3 18/00476/LBC 17 Richmond Road, BOS NO OBJECTIION/COMMENTS
  - 10.4 17/00655/FULL and 17/00656/LBC 28 Richmond Road BOS GRANTED

#### 11 Minor matters

- Cllr Sharp mentioned the stream at the bottom of Bronte Close. A resident had been in contact with Persimmon Homes and Cllr Les. Persimmon have agreed to undertake maintenance work and clear the stream. They will complete further maintenance works over the next 2/3 years. Cllr Sharp had discussed this with the Chairman. They both feel that this must be included on the discussions on adoption. If the responsibility for the stream is transferred to the Parish Council the financial settlement will need to be adjusted accordingly. The resident had tried to discuss the overhanging trees but was advised he would need to discuss this with another member of the team at Persimmon Homes.
- 11.2 Cllr Sharp mentioned the condition of the main playpark in Augustus Gardens. A resident had said the equipment was in poor condition and at lest one piece did not work properly. The Chairman asked that if the resident could list the details of the issues we would contact Persimmon Homes.

Action - Cllr Sharp and The Clerk

11.3 Cllr King mentioned the condition of the climbing frame at the play park in Bridge Road. The Clerk will contact RDC to discuss the issue.

Action - The Clerk

11.4 Cllr Haynes mentioned parking on the grass verge opposite Off Rhodes. It was noted there are vehicles constantly parked on the verge. This has been reported to Area 1 on a number of occasions.

Action - The Clerk

- 11.5 Cllr Haynes mentioned the broken gatepost at the bottom of River Lane. Councillors agreed the post will need to be replaced.
- 11.6 Cllr Haynes said the riverside path is heavily overgrown in the area at the bottom of St Pauls Drive heading towards the church. The Chairman said we would have to get a quote for the work.
- 11.7 The Chairman read an email received from a resident regarding the easement across parish land to his property. The resident was expected to attend this meeting, however was waiting for further information before he presented to the Parish Council. The Clerk said there was no map of the area of easement. Cllr Haynes said it is extremely important to look after common land.

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