



GREAT BRICETT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Great Bricett
on **Tuesday, 22nd January 2019 at 7pm.**

Present:

Councillors: S Burnett (Chairman)
N Ford
M Ford
R Morley
D Payne

In Attendance County Cllr K Oakes
J Blackburn - Clerk

GB103/18/19 – PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

GB104/18/19 – APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Craddock.

GB105/18/19 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr N Ford declared an interest in item 15 on the Agenda and Cllr M Ford declared an interest in items 13 and 15 on the Agenda.

GB106/18/19 – APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None had been received.

GB107/18/19 – TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 27th NOVEMBER 2018

It was AGREED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 27th November 2018 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

GB108/18/19 – POLICE REPORT

The Police were not present at the meeting and a report had not been received.

GB109/18/19 – COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Oakes reported that she had expressed the Parish Council's concerns at the Highways meeting she had attended, in relation to the speeding issues along The Street and also how the narrowness of the road was making it dangerous for pedestrians. Unfortunately, Highways officers were not able to consider the provision of a chicane or widening of the road. Members were concerned as accidents had already happened on the stretch of road in question and they asked why Highways would not consider the safety options. Cllr Oakes agreed to contact them again as to why they had declined the suggestions.

Cllr Oakes reported that she had locality budget funding still available and would be more than happy for the Parish Council to have some for projects within the village. Members felt that a VAS would be an excellent use of the money to at least try to slow drivers down through the village.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk email the details to Cllr Oakes in order to apply for some funding.

GB110/18/19 – DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

The District Councillor was not present at the meeting and a report had not been received.

GB111/18/19 – CLERK’S REPORT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

i) **TO RECEIVE THE CLERK’S REPORT**

The Clerk had nothing to report in addition to what was on the Agenda.

ii) **TO RECEIVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

The Clerk reported on the Council’s current financial position and stated that the balance in the accounts as of 21st January was £22,544.90.

The Budget Monitoring report was noted.

iii) **TO AUTHORISE PAYMENTS AND NOTE RECEIPTS**

The Clerk reported the following payments be authorised:-

100998	Jennie Blackburn	Clerk’s Pay (Jan)	£284.77
100999	Jennie Blackburn	Clerk’s Office Allowance / Expenses (Jan)	£44.48
101001	Suffolk Cloud	Website Training	£40.00
101002	Jennie Blackburn	Clerk’s Pay (Feb)	£284.77
101003	Jennie Blackburn	Clerk’s Office Allowance / Expenses (Feb)	£20.00
101004	Heelis & Lodge	2017/18 Internal Audit	£80.00
101005	CHT	Cabinet for Defibs x 2	£588.00

It was AGREED: That payments totaling £1,342.02 be authorised and actioned by the Clerk.

iv) **TO APPROVE THE FINAL BUDGET 2019/2020**

It was AGREED: That the Final Budget be approved.

v) **TO APPROVE THE PRECEPT 2019/20**

It was AGREED: That the Precept be approved and set at £10,350.

GB112/18/19 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

None had been received.

GB113/18/19 – PLANNING DECISIONS

The following planning decisions were noted:

Ref: DC/18/04774 - Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act following grant of Outline Planning Permission DC/18/01756 without compliance with Condition 3 to amend approved access arrangements. Land East of Brambles, The Street, Great Bricett, Suffolk – **GRANTED**

Ref: DC/17/03568 - Outline Planning Application (all matters reserved) - Residential development of up to 51 dwellings - Great Bricett Business Park, The Street, Great Bricett, Suffolk IP7 7DZ - **GRANTED**

GB114/18/19 – TELEPHONE BOX

Cllr N Ford reported that a Surrey company would collect and refurbish the box and return it for approximately £5,000. A more local company was being sought in order to obtain a quote. The refurbishment of the telephone box would be revisited once the lighter days and warmer weather arrived.

GB115/18/19 – VILLAGE SIGN

Cllr Burnett reported that the sign would be returned that weekend.

GB116/18/19 – VILLAGE HALL / FLOOR

Cllr M Ford reported that an inspection report had been completed and circulated. The report showed that the main areas of concern were the flooring which needed inspecting for possible dry rot. If that was the case it would need repairing as soon as was possible.

The garden at the Village Hall was also in need of refurbishment in order to make it usable. In its current state it was felt not to be safe as the wall needed to be repaired due to a large tree that was leaning against it. The owner of the wall needed to be established in the first instance.

A carbon monoxide detector was suggested when the boiler was inspected and also a mains wired smoke alarm was required.

GB117/18/19 – TRAFFIC CALMING

This was discussed mainly with item 7 on the Agenda.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk commence the application process for the positioning of a VAS machine on The Street, Great Bricett, with Suffolk County Council.

GB118/18/19 – 1 & 2 THE GREEN – ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

Cllr N Ford reported that in relation to the electricity works going on at 2 The Green, a meter box was to be installed on the front of the property. Being the owners of No.1 The Green, Cllrs N and M Ford stated that they were not in favour of this, being an old property, and it was felt it should be placed on the side of the building. It was currently unknown as to what had been decided.

GB119/18/19 – ROAD NAMES – WIXFIELD PARK

A letter had been received from Address Management at Babergh and Mid-Suffolk District Council, asking the Parish Council for suggestions of street names for the new development at Wixfield Park. The Parish Council asked for any suggestions from residents, one of which replied.

Following further discussion, it was felt by members that the new development should also be called Wixfield Park and the numbering be continued where the previous development had left off, which was no. 65. **Clerk to action.**

GB120/18/19 – DEFIBRILLATORS

The Clerk reported that the new cabinets had arrived and were being stored at the Village Hall. Once installed the old cabinets needed to be returned to the Community Heartbeat Trust.

GB121/18/19 – CESSPIT

It was noted that following the insurance work on the cesspit, which whilst was not of a high standard, had a 5-year guarantee. The best way forward was to put decking over the top of the cesspit with a seating

area and a hatch in order to access the cesspit, all of which would be part of the Village Hall garden refurbishment project.

GB122/18/19 – BUILDINGS ERECTED WITHIN THE VILLAGE

There continued to be concerns that buildings had been erected within the village without the proper planning consent. The Clerk had liaised with Planning over the matter, who had forwarded it onto Enforcement. **Clerk to chase.**

GB123/18/19 - MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

- Tree on The Green needed a trim and tidy up.

GB124/18/19 – NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, 26th March 2019 at 7pm.

The meeting finished at 8.45pm.

Chairman: Dated: