



GREAT BRICETT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall, Great Bricett **Tuesday, 27th September 2022 at 7pm.**

Present:

Councillors: S Burnett (Chairman)
R Morley
A Auchterlonie
J Walsh

In Attendance J Blackburn – Clerk
District Councillor D Pratt

GB61/22/23 – TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Parnell and County Cllr Oakes.

GB62/22/23 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None had been received.

GB63/22/23 – TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None had been received.

GB64/22/23 - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON TUESDAY, 12TH JULY 2022

It was AGREED: That the minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday, 12th July 2022 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

GB65/22/23 – PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

GB66/22/23 – TO RECEIVE THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S REPORT – CLLR KAY OAKES

Cllr Oakes report was circulated prior to the meeting and would be published on the village website.

GB67/22/23 - DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CLLR DANIEL PRATT

Cllr Pratt's report was circulated prior to the meeting and would be published on the village website.

He reported that he had some Locality Funding left should the Parish Council require any funding for projects and also mentioned the Suffolk Solar initiative.

GB68/22/23 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Ref: DC/22/04535 - Householder Application - Remove rear door and window and replace with French Doors - 14 Releet Close, Great Bricett

It was AGREED: That the Parish Council had no objections to the application. **Clerk to action.**

Ref: DC/22/04231 - Full Planning Application - Construction of a four storey, Single Living Accommodation building (Use Class C2a), associated external works and erection of ancillary buildings (following demolition of Building 314) - Building 314, Wattisham Airfield, Ringshall

It was AGREED: That the Parish Council had no objections to the application. **Clerk to action.**

GB69/22/23 – PLANNING DECISIONS

The following decisions were noted:

Ref: DC/22/02989 - Householder Application - Erection of a single storey rear extension, new front porch; Conversion of attached garage including forming pitched roof, new sewage treatment plant and application of render to existing brickwork on front elevation - Westways, The Street, Great Bricett – **Granted**

Ref: DC/22/03263 - Application under S73 for Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of Planning Permission DC/21/02820 dated 19.08.2021. Erection of 4no (2no pairs) of 2/3 bed semi-detached dwellings, shared outbuildings and improvements to existing vehicular access. Town and Country Planning Act 1990.- To vary Condition 2 (Approved Plans & Documents) - Land North Of Pound Hill Cottages, The Street, Great Bricett - **Granted**

GB70/22/23 – PLANNING

Cllr Pratt reported the latest position regarding the Red Lion Pub. He stated that there had been enquiries to purchase it from interested parties who wished to resume its purpose as a pub.

The confirmed that the first appeal for its change of use was refused, with the second appeal being granted. Although, there had been some confusion as the change of use application had been refused whilst the Listed Building application had been granted.

It was confirmed that the pub used to be a dwelling before it became a pub many years ago.

a) DC/22/06386/IN EN/22 - Land adjacent Brambles, Great Bricett

Members briefly discussed the enforcement issue with the site and Cllr Pratt confirmed that the trees in question did not have protection orders on them. He explained that he had tried to speak with the Planning/Enforcement team with no positive outcome.

It was AGREED: That the Cllr Morley/the Clerk respond to the latest email from the Planning Team.

b) Driveway onto B1078 – unauthorised/planning needed? (Grid reference 52.115253.0.979759) / Visibility Splay to new house from A1078 (Grid reference 52.115594,0.980840)

Cllr Burnett explained that she had been approached by a resident in relation to works on B1078. Members felt that the resident should approach Highways/Enforcement as it was not a Parish Council matter. **Cllr Burnett to action.**

GB71/22/23 – PURCHASE OF LAND

Cllr Burnett circulated an email to all members from Oliver Cooper who owned the small meadow on The Street which was occasionally used for extra parking.

His email stated the options for him in relation to the land. His intention was to pass the ownership of the field to the next generation and bring to an end the maintenance (grass cutting) that he had provided up to the present time.

He suggested that should the Parish continue to value the parking facility the field offered there might be scope to secure that on a rolling agreement basis in return for maintaining the field.

He concluded that the transfer of ownership would take place over the next month and should the Parish Council decide to maintain the field in return for its use then to contact him to let him know.

Members discussed the options and considered the costs involved for maintaining the field against how often it would be used by the Parish.

It was AGREED: That Cllr Burnett contact Oliver Cooper and ask what price he would consider for the purchase of the land.

GB72/22/23 - TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) **CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk had nothing to report other than what was already on the Agenda.

b) **TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Clerk reported on the Council's current financial position and movements since the last meeting. It was reported that the balance in the accounts on 20th September 2022 was £49,587.27.

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

The Clerk reported the following payments be authorised:-

Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Pay (Sept)	£339.40
Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Office Allowance/Exp (Sept)	£48.90
HMRC	PAYE to end 5 Oct 2022	£97.20
NSK Landscapes	Mowing / Mulched - Community Woodland	£270.00
NSK Landscapes	Mowing / Mulched - Com. Woodland (Sept)	£390.00
Mixbrow Construction	Telephone Box Base	£756.60
M Burnett	Maintenance of Field Pond	£17.97
Zurich Insurance	Insurance Renewal Premium	£372.99
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit 2021/22	240.00
Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Pay (Oct)	£339.40
Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Office Allowance/Exp (Oct)	£26.00

It was AGREED: That payments totaling £2,898.46 be authorised and actioned by the Clerk.

The following receipts were also noted:

Village Hall MC	Contribution towards soffits replacement	£500.00
MSDC	Precept - 2nd Instalment	£5,250.00

d) **BANK RECONCILIATION**

It was AGREED: That the Bank Reconciliation be approved.

e) **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

It was AGREED: That the Budget Monitoring Report be noted.

f) **INSURANCE RENEWAL**

It was AGREED: That the Insurance renewal be accepted - £372.99

g) **EXTERNAL AUDIT 2021/22**

It was AGREED: That the External Auditor's Report be noted.

GB73/22/23 – PERMISSION TO CROSS THE GREEN

The resident at No.1 The Green had contacted Cllr Burnett to ask for permission to cross The Green for gas services to be installed, which would include a digger.

It was AGREED: That the required services would be given permission to cross The Green ensuring that it would be left in the same state as was found.

GB74/22/23 – COMMUNITY WOODLAND

Apart from Members briefly discussing the grass cutting charges for maintaining the Community Woodland there was nothing further to report.

GB75/22/23 – VILLAGE GREEN

There was nothing to report.

GB76/22/23 – TELEPHONE KIOSK

Cllr Auchterlonie reported that the telephone box had been placed correctly in its location with the concrete base being installed.

Needham Market Electricals would be reconnecting the power in due course.

The defibrillator, light and noticeboard needed to be returned.

GB77/22/23 – VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Walsh reported that bookings for the hall had increased, which was very positive.

She stated that a safe fire exit needed to be installed to bring the hall to current standards. Also, outside the steps were in a state of disrepair and needed a builder to re-build them. It was felt that the very hot, dry weather this year had caused the steps to crack. She confirmed that quotes for the works were being sought and the Parish Council would be approached in due course for a contribution.

GB78/22/23 - UPDATE ON FOOTPATHS

There was nothing to report.

GB79/22/23 - MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

- Ditches – odour had improved – ditch affecting village drainage not yet cleared
- Parking outside Village Hall – very limited due to residents parking in the spaces
- Permanent Flag on Flag Pole
- Grit Bin – Refill

GB80/22/23 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was AGREED: That the next meeting be held at the Village Hall on Tuesday, 8th November 2022 at 7pm.

The meeting finished at 9.15pm.

Chairman: Dated: