MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRAILES PARISH COUNCIL

TUESDAY 2023 AT 7.00pm IN THE PAVILION, BRAILES

Present: Cllr Appleton (Chair) Cllr Woods

Cllr Sayers Cllr Massey

Cllr King

The Clerk and 2 members of the public

Apologies – Cllr Barker, Cllr Ivin

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| Disclosure of Interests.  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.  Approve and sign the Minutes of the 5th July 2023 Meeting – proposed by Cllr Sayers, 2nded by Cllr Woods, agreed by all.  Cllr Sayers asked for actions to be clearer |  |
| 1. Update from last month.  * Letter sent to WCC Chairwoman re Henbrook Lane – clerk to contact Jenny Martin, who wrote to Troy de Jong asking her when she visited this site to make this assertion and to cc Cllr Whalley-Hoggins. * Letter sent again to PCC Philip Seccombe re speeding * Email re maintenance * Email to Mark Banning requesting further modelling to complete the flood map. – Response from Mark Banning to say no, WCC would not be able to fund any further modeling. * Cllr Appleton to circulate the survey to be sent out to all residents regarding their ideas for tomorrow’s Brailes. All agreed to pay for the cost of this. | Clerk to email, cc Cllr WH  Ask Mark Banning about the cost of the modeling.  Cllr Appleton to circulate the survey for approval |
| 1. Reports from Sub-committees   Flooding –  Sustainable Brailes - No update  Village Hall –  Cllr Appleton to become the VH representative as she already attends the meetings.  The Feldon News reports will be done on a rotation basis, | Cllr Massey this meeting |
| 3 .Update from Cllr Barker and Cllr Whalley-Hoggins  Cllr Whalley-Hoggins reported that No Mow May has caused quite a few problems with the length of grass due to the time between cuts.  A few planning issues at the moment – Stratford Call for Sites has brought up a few sites in Brailes – be vigilant for planning applications.  The pub in Cherington is for sale – very sad loss of an asset in the community – keep an eye on all ACV’s. The action to increase the threshold for selling pubs and make it much harder was successful.  Deer population is increasing and so it might be good to put up more signs where the deer crossings are on the B4035 to Shipston.  Think about putting planning applications in the Feldon, keeps the public up to date.  Cllr Whalley-Hoggins is currently chairing a committee to look into best practice for landlords of social housing, to ensure maintenance and repairs are carried out swiftly etc.  SWH will be volunteering on the gate at the Brailes Village Show. | Clerk to check ACV’s status  Clerk to contact Highways asking for deer signs. |
| 4.Other matters to discuss:   * To agree the annual finances – proposed by Cllr Appleton, 2nded by Cllr Woods * WALC Stratford Area Meeting – Cllr Appleton verbally updated the PC on the area meeting she attended. It was good to meet other local councillors and discuss local issues. At the end some of the other local councillors discussed the Ellen Bager Hospital plans. * It has been brought to the attention of the PC that there is a fridge and a horsebox in a field on the Winderton Road – not the jurisdiction of the PC. * Speeding –   Try to get the radar guns again  Village Gateways –  Painting on roads –  Scarecrow of Policeman with speed gun – Cllr King to arrange  20 is plenty – clerk to look into  Try to contact PCC Seccombe again – clerk to contact 2x a week.  A car was hit by the Forge Garage – Roy Rogers informed the Police.  The latest speed data report shows that speeding is still an issue and at the same time of day most days – suggests commuters speeding through the village.   * Cllr King reported that a resident asked Highways not to mow on the Upper Green due to no mow May, however this causes issues in the length of the grass when it is mowed. * Cllr Woods to send round a report on the Ellen Bager Hospital summarizing the consultation plans. | Cllr Appleton to send a written summary  Cllr Appleton to respond to the person who reported  Clerk to contact Will Docherty to ask re speed radar guns, to contact Highways and Jo Barker re paint on roads  Clerk to investigate Village Gateways  NFA  Cllr Woods |
| 5.Members of the Public   * Ken Taylor – asked the PC to ask Mark Banning why the PC should pay for a flood modelling survey when he didn’t do his job properly? Ask him at the meeting on the 31st for residents with properties at risk of flooding. – The Parish Council were keen to move forwards and support the residents in signing up to get the flood doors being offered to them. * Roy Rogers on speeding – he contacted the office of PCC Seccombe and was asked by Chris Lewis to contact the traffic police – Sgt Ebb, who told him to contact PC Hammond of Shipston Police.   Clerk to revise contact with PCC Seccombe to offer dates to attend a meeting. | Cllr Appleton to attend meeting on 31st.  Clerk to contact PCC Seccombes office. |
| 6.Correspondence   * Email received regarding Stratford Call for Sites – SDC not good at identifying sites – the NDP is still robust and will help in keeping development to that proposed within the NDP. * Email also regarding consultation of self-build site – Cllr Whalley-Hoggins suggested that the councillors watch the Planning Committee Meetings and attend any training that they can – clerk to look into planning training for councillors | Clerk to contact John Careford as none of the sites are those identified within the NDP |
| 7. Maintenance   * Contact Highways re hedges all the way along the High Street. Cllr Massey to mention in the Feldon about home owners with boundaries along the High Street, that they need to keep the hedges cut back and tidy. * Broken sign in Winderton, clerk to report. | Clerk to report. Cllr Massey to put in Feldon.  Clerk to report |
| 8.Planning 23/01908/FUL 18/07/2023 16/08/2023 Greenslade Farmhouse Holloway Hill, Lower Brailes, Warwickshire OX15 5JA Replacement of existing conservatory with timber orangery. - No Objection23/01858/TREE 12/07/2023 02/08/2023 The Presbytery Friars Lane Lower Brailes Brailes Warwickshire OX15 5HU -T1 poplar - Remove. - agree with tree specialists.23/01709/FUL 29/06/2023 04/08/2023 Thornstead Farm Shipston Fields Aylesmore Shipston-on-Stour Full Planning Application for a temporary agricultural workers dwelling – Object due to small size of plot – no guarantee of expansion. Bulk of land is rented – no guarantee of long term plans. Planning by creep – will be a house next. The area will be a small hamlet if not checked.. | Clerk to respond |
| 9.Finance.  Amanda Wasdell Clerk salary July £676  Zurich Insurance £533.39  Proposed by Cllr Appleton, 2nded by Cllr Woods, agreed by all. |  |
| The meeting was closed at 9.25pm |  |
| Date for next meeting: Tuesday 29th August at 7.00pm in the Pavillion |  |