MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF BRAILES PARISH COUNCIL

MONDAY 26th APRIL 2021 AT 6.00pm Via ZOOM

Present: Cllr Ashall Cllr Ivin

Cllr Vallance Cllr Rosenthal

Cllr Cole

The Clerk, Cllr Whalley-Hoggins, Cllr Barker, Sarah Brooke-Taylor and 3 members of the public

Apologies – Cllr Appleton

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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 29th March 2021 meeting, to agree any apologies  Proposed by Cllr Rosenthal, 2nded by Cllr Ivin, agreed by all. |  |
| 1. Sarah Brooke-Taylor, the Rural Housing Enabler in Stratford district joined the meeting to give the PC an overview of how she could help to deliver the Housing Needs Survey that needs to be updated according to the NDP (states every 5 years).   It would have no cost to the PC – SB-T would send the survey to us for us to go over and when happy to give Sarah the go-ahead. Then it would take 3 weeks or so to get the survey out. It would get life with residents – Cllr Vallance to ask the support group about distribution. Cllr Ashall thanked Sarah Brook-Taylor for her time. |  |
| 1. Update from last month.  * The second speed sign was installed on the 12th April * Email sent to WCC requesting meeting – no response has been received * Email sent to Steve Self re access to Brailes Hill at the Water Tower * Email sent to highways regarding the line painting and request for a bus stop – response to say that the line painting would be done – no response regarding the bus stop as yet. Cllr Ashall was contacted by the Stratford Herald, and responded, an article was written about the incident. * No Mow May – areas have been marked out by Cllrs Ivin and Valance to be left, as well as a strip by the fence at the burial ground. * New wheelie bin ordered * Clerk registered the PC for the Community Broadband Scheme – not heard anything more. |  |
| 1. Reports from Sub-committees   Flood group – 1 Godson Cottages – did the owners know that the grill along Sutton Brook is theirs to look after as riparian owners? They want to repair the bank so WCC need to advise and review the proposal. Flood team to notify Mark Banning at WCC  Playing Fields – the VH committee want to put railings by the entrance off the High Street and put a 3m pipe in – PC all agree that this is ok. – Proposed by Cllr Cole, 2nded by Cllr Ivin. |  |
| 3 .Update from Cllr Barker and Cllr Whalley-Hoggins  Jo Barker reported from the County Council that plans to try to bring health services back to normal were under way, much of both adult and children’s social care has been cancelled due to covid. There were fears of a 3rd wave and a hard winter ahead, so planning against that was being undertaken.  The Ellen Badger hospital – GP’s were taking over part of it to increase capacity in Shipston. There has been much controversy of late – Cllr Barker is a member of SWIFT and all of the facts have been published online.  Chair – wished to thank our MP for the vaccine program – all agreed – clerk to write.  Sarah Whalley-Hoggins updated the District Council news:  There is a re-alignment of cabinet underway to align with WCC and there will be some responsibility shift – and a joint project manager has been appointed to bring together SDC and WCC.  HS2 has a huge impact in the north of the district – the disruption is immense and very sad.  Climate change – SDC is ahead of Warwick DC in terms of climate change and recycling. There is a 5 year plan which is now a South Warwickshire plan – 40,000 have taken up the garden waste scheme generating 1.4M revenue. This is thought to represent 71% of those with gardens |  |
| 4.Other matters to discuss:   * Sustainable Brailes have asked if an area opposite Chapel Green in Upper Brailes can be used to cultivate and grow species to encourage bees – the PC was happy in principle but asked that Sustainable Brailes ask the homeowners in the vicinity if they are happy – proposed by Cllr Valance, 2nded by Cllr Ivin, agreed by all to agree in principle. * Gate Inn Cottage – concerns have been raised about planning permission at Gate Inn Cottage where extensive renovations seem to be taking place – clerk to contact planning enforcement to check – all agreed * Vacancy on the PC – the PC is planning an open day on Sept 11th – Brailes reboot 2.0-2.1 – it was agreed that Pc would look to fill the vacancy after this. * Footpath S60 where is goes through the garden of Gryohon House. There have been complaints that the original footpath in not accessible as walkers are steered off. Clerk to write to WCC to lodge a formal complaint – proposed by Cllr Ivin, 2nded by Cllr Cole, agreed by all. | Clerk |
| 5.Members of the Public |  |
| 6.Correspondence |  |
| 7. Maintenance  A road closure is happening between St Dennis and Caution Corner to repair the road surface.  Tarmac outside bakery Cottages |  |
| 8.Planning  **21/01080/TREE** Lavender Cottage High Street Lower Brailes Banbury OX15 5HX -T1 yew - Reduce by 2metres to clear wires**. – comments due by 26th April 2021 – All agreed ‘No Representation’** | Clerk to respires to SDC |
| 9.Finance.  Amanda Wasdell Clerk salary £606.32  Amanda Wasdell Black bin £40  Zurich Annual Insurance £477.56  Proposed to pay the above by Cllr Rosenthal, 2nded by Cllr Ivin, agreed by all |  |
| The meeting was closed at 7.10pm. |  |
| Date for next meeting: Tuesday 8th June at 7pm in the Village Hall – Annual Meeting of the Parish Council |  |