MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRAILES PARISH COUNCIL

MONDAY 25th April AT 6.30pm IN THE PAVILLION

Present: Cllr Cole (chair)

Cllr Appleton

Cllr Todd Cllr Massey

The Clerk and 2 members of the public and District Councilor Whalley-Hoggins and County Councillor Jo Barker

Apologies – Cllr Ivin, Cllr Ashall, Cllr Vallance

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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 28th March 2022 meeting, to agree any apologies  Proposed by Cllr Todd, 2nded by Cllr Massey, agreed by all |  |
| 1. Update from last month.  * Planning meeting held on 14th April. PC agreed to object to the application at the Old Forge and to continue to object to the application at Lower Brailes Lodge. * Cllr Ashall to continue to try to find out why the Asset of Community Value was rejected * The maintenance has been reported. * No response regarding the flood grant as yet. |  |
| 1. Reports from Sub-committees   Flooding – Ken reported that there hasn’t been much rain.  Sustainable Brailes Cllr Appleton reported that children from the primary school were going to visit the allotments as an educational trip.  Cllr Appleton asked that there be a no mow May again, the same areas as last year. Proposed by Cllr Massey, 2nded by Cllr Todd, agreed by all. | Clerk |
| 3 .Update from Cllr Barker and Cllr Whalley-Hoggins  Cllr whalley Hoggins advised that the removal of the listed building application from the planning application at the Gate Inn was possibly because it wasn’t needed.  Cllr Barker suggested that an additional 30mph sign could be put up on the inside of the bend opposite the Upper Green and the 30mph sign as you enter the village from Banbury end could be moved further up the hill.- Clerk to speak to Michael Rogers.  Cllr Whalley-Hoggins reported that the unity council that was the amalgamation of SDC and WDC is not going ahead. This is due to WDC having undisclosed debts that SDC didn’t want to take on. Cllr Whalley-Hoggins has long maintained that this wasn’t in the best interests of her southern most area of the county. |  |
| 4.Other matters to discuss:   * PC – Agree to allow the clerk to spend £550 on a new laptop and printer – plus a subscription to Microsoft 365. Proposed by Cllr Appleton, 2nded by Cllr Massey, agreed by all. * Ukranian refugees – as yet no one has asked for help. The PC is doing all that it can do – schooling and transport can be found to help any families that do come in to the area in need. * Footpath – the footpath at Gryphon is still being partially blocked to encourage users to go to go round the area affected. * Next meeting the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council with the Annual Parish Meeting before it at 6.30. Tea and cake to be served from 6.15pm |  |
| 5.Members of the Public   * Roy Rogers – speeding in the village – wants to create a report quarterly – clerk to download the data and send it to him. He has recently become a speed watch volunteer so can now take part in speed monitoring. |  |
| 6.Correspondence   * Email received form Gary Bonsor regarding the gullies needing unblocked. Clerk to ask Michael Rogers to have them attended to. |  |
| 7. Maintenance   * Some gullies have been cleaned out – on Holloway Hill and Saltway Lane. * The bridge repairs are finally underway. |  |
| 8.Planning  **All planning is up to date** |  |
| 9.Finance.  Amanda Wasdell Clerk salary March £606.32  WCC Street light maintenance £456.77    Payments were proposed to be paid by Cllr Appleton, 2nded by Cllr Massey, agreed by all. |  |
| The meeting was closed at 8.03pm. |  |
| Date for next meeting: Monday May 30th in the Village Hall at 6.30pm |  |