

BROADHEMBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Broadhembury Parish Council on Tuesday 19th September 2017 7.30p.m. at the Memorial Hall

Present: Cllrs: Mrs. E. Bradshaw, (Acting Chairman), C. Baker, V. Game, Mrs. V. Jones, A. Mc Ardle, Mrs. K Rowan, K. Granger (Clerk) I Chubb DC and 6 members of the public.

Agenda

1. Apologies: Cllrs. Howgill, Nelson & Roberts also the Police

2. Minutes of the last meeting: were signed correct.

3. Matters Arising:

Cllr. Game had spoken with Highways over the poor signage when the A.373 roadworks took place in July. In Cllr. Roberts absence Cllr. Bradshaw reported Broadhembury playground committee have completed the ROSPA recommendations.

4. Public Discussion, Reports, D.C.C, E.D.D.C., Police

Public Discussion: DCC. Iain Chubb (DC) said County were fairly quiet at the moment due to holidays; pot holes were still a problem, County had acquired a new machine which dries out the holes before they were repaired but were at present concentrating on A & B roads. Cllr. Chubb said ED's re-cycling was proving a great success requiring them to acquire more lorries and staff. Cllr. Game asked Cllr. Chubb to speak with Helen Selby about the problems with the road from Stafford Hill to Dunkeswell and offered to meet Helen Selby if necessary.

EDDC: None

Police: In the absence of the Police the Chairman reported 4 crimes, one affray, two drink drive and one of threatening behaviour.

5. Correspondence:

a. Re: Bus service Kerswell: A member of the public (Mrs. C. Dunford) asked Cllr. Chubb if the public bus that travels from Honiton to Cullompton on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays along the A.373 could make a detour into Kerswell. Cllr. Chubb said he would investigate the suggestion however, in general, he thought they were looking at cut-backs rather than adding to the service but he would liaise with Mrs. Dunford over the suggestion.

6. Planning Report: The Planning Chairman reported no applications since the last meeting but asked the Clerk to report to District what appeared to be the widening of a gate-way onto the A.373 and associated activity at Dulford.

7. Support for Payhembury PC re: recognition of postal service: Cllr. Bradshaw said at the moment she did not know exactly what form this would take but suggested, along with Cllr. Game, that we gave our full support, this was agreed.

8. Broadband infrastructure at Kerswell: Cllr. McArdle reported on the proposed fibre-optic connection to the Barn development at Kerswell. This limited connection would leave the remaining residents of the hamlet with a poor connection. Cllr. McArdle had spoken with the developer who had informed him that new phone lines etc. were now fibre-optic connections where possible. Cllr. McArdle had now spoken with BT and officially registered

the Parish Council's interest for the rest of Kerswell residents to be offered the same service. He was informed that there would be a cost and that this would depend on the number of households which wished to take up the service. A Kerswell resident (Mr. A Muggleston) would liaise with Cllr. McArdle over future developments.

9. Flood prevention:

a. Kerswell: Cllr. Game reported that the Parish Council's successful flood relief work at St. Andrew's Wood had now been upgraded by work done by DC Highways. Cllr. Game informed those present that the Parish Council's Consultant's report on the flood relief scheme for Kerswell was now on the web-site. The report outlined five possible options and that there was possibly some funding available. To progress matters another residents meeting to discuss the issue would take place.

b. Dulford: Cllr. Game reported on a visit he and Mr. Keith Bone had made to the area on Friday 15th September. They identified that one of the two splays of the bridge badly needed clearing and they were investigating how best to do this and would report back. Cllr. Game also reported they had looked at how best to overcome the flooding issue around Grange Cross bridge. The obvious solution was to build up the road, however, that would be expensive, Cllr. Game said he had some funds available and was purchasing items for the clearance of drains/gullies. These tools would be available for residents' use, if they were in a position to utilise them, in problem areas. Cllr. Game would liaise with all parties for our next meeting in November.

10. Report on Hall Car Park extension: Cllr. Bradshaw reported Cllr. Nelson was acting as project manager. Richard Batten had kindly levelled the site, done the drainage and compacted the scalping. Luton sawmills supplying 70 parking posts and the easy access bays would be close to the kitchen door and by the lift door. Cllr. Baker is looking into an electric charging point. A government grant, under a residential on-street parking scheme, of 75% of the cost is possible. This would require access to be available at all times and we would have to show demand, The scheme is not for commercial users, cost vary considerably depending on type. Cllr. Baker to liaise with Trustees and Cllr. Game (whilst Cllr Nelson is indisposed) Cllr Bradshaw informed Cllrs Baker and Game that the restrictive covenants on the hall site would have to be adhered to.

11. Report Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr. Bradshaw said our draft N.P. was on our web-site and hard copies were available from Councillors and the Clerk, we welcomed comments.

12. Report Kerswell Village Association meeting: Cllr. Jones reported at present this organization was no longer in existence, however, Mrs. Flic Hart would retain the contact data. Kerswell playing field committee was still active.

13. Parishes Together Fund 2017-18: Clerk reported we could go alone on a flood relief project if needed and asked for other suggestions. A member of the public asked if widening of the access to Kerswell at Crammer corner would be considered.

14. AONB Healthy Futures: A representative hopes to attend at our November meeting.

15.AOB (For information only): Cllr. Rowan reported suspected delay over the new-build on the Cullompton A.373 East.

The meeting closed at 8.40p.m.