

Broadhembury Parish Council

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 15th September 2020 using the Zoom platform at 7.30p.m.

Present: Cllrs. B. Nelson (Chairman), Mrs. E. Bradshaw (Deputy) V. Game, N. Howgill, C. Ledward, A. Powell, Mrs. D. Rees, Mr. D. Wicks, K. Granger (Clerk) P. Skinner EDDC and 4 members of the public.

Agenda

1. Apologies None

2. Minutes of the last meeting were signed correct.

3. Matters Arising (dealt with elsewhere) None

4. Public Discussion, Reports, DC, EDDC, Police. The Chairman requested approval to suspend Standing Orders. Agreed. He said that the Grange estate had been sold and he requested permission to lodge the PC's interest in a section of land with the agent for transmission to the purchaser. Agreed. It was confirmed that Cllr. Mrs. Bradshaw intended to stand down as a trustee and the PC's rep. on the Broadhembury Community Centre CIO. The Chairman said he had hoped to hold this meeting in the Hall and was grateful to the Trustees for making it usable under new guidelines. Unfortunately Gov. guidelines issued a few days prior to the meeting had ruled out a physical meeting.

Reports: DC None

EDDC: Cllr. Skinner said one of the biggest issues at District was the possibility of us becoming a Unitary authority. Cllr. Skinner went on to say that as a result of new housing at Payhembury £266,000 has been set aside for affordable housing within his Tale Vale ward which includes Broadhembury. He is seeking approval for this to go to Broadhembury to assist with the need for affordable housing if a need is proven.

Police: None

5. Planning Report: Cllr. Bradshaw reported on six applications, 5 on which we supported and the 6th a PDQ app. which we had no objection to.

6. Correspondence (dealt with elsewhere): Cllr. Rees reported on a letter back from the Crime Commissioner asking for evidence of speeding through-out the parish and problem areas. Agreed to discuss at next meeting.

7. Broadhembury Play Area: Cllr. Wicks said his sub-committee had met last week over the proposed opening of the playground and a risk assessment had been drawn up. The play area would be opened as soon as possible. Cllr. Rees asked if the needs of the ROSPA report had been undertaken. Cllr. Wicks said this is in hand.

8. Kerswell Play Area: The Chairman announced we had had no reply from Kerswell over our letters offering to buy the small parcel of land so as we could seek grants to update the playground as a yearly lease was insufficient to do this.

9. Report from CLT sub-committee: The chairman reported on the work of the CLT sub-committee. He said that a comprehensive article had been published in the magazine and that the sub-committee had been working in 4 groups to develop a vision, devise a survey, draft the Rules and define eligibility. He briefly reported on these activities. Cllr. Powell said he would work with the Clerk to devise distribution patterns for the questionnaire and hoped Cllrs. would be able to assist. The CLT s/cttee would take a view on timing and sequence.

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10. Update on finance: The Clerk/RFO produced the present accounts at the half year alongside the anticipated expenditure up to 31.3.21 of £4,500 approx. In terms of income to offset this expenditure the next half-year receipt of Precept was due (approx.. £4400)

11. Problem with litter: It was decided to hold a litter pick-up day this Autumn, Date to be arranged, Cllr. Nelson thanked all those who do this at the moment when out walking. Cllr. Game asked all residents to clean debris away from drains and gulleys alongside their property. Agreed that resources to pick up litter would be purchased, date agreed and communication drafted.

12 . Update from Dulford: Cllr. Ledward said as yet he had not received a date back from the police over the training of residents for speed watch, this data was needed for our correspondence with the Crime Commissioner. Cllr. Ledward thanked the PC for assisting with a new Dulford sign on the approach from the East warning users they were entering a hamlet.

13. Climate alleviation: Cllr. Powell reported on progress with the idea of setting up a 'Green Repair Café' and asked for anyone with expertise and time to help to contact him, Cllr. Ledward is setting up a 'Facebook page to assist the project.

14. PC Vacancy: The Council has been given the go ahead to co-opt, it was decided to advertise the vacancy.

15. Appointment of Clerk: Cllr. Nelson said there were originally 4- 7 applications and was very happy to announce Mrs Jakki Henderson as our new Clerk, Jakki was present at our Zoom meeting.

16. Arrangements for communications media: Cllr. Ledward is appointed as our new Web-Master, the Clerk will manage Facebook and Twitter. Cllr. Ledward will manage mailchimp for distribution. Cllr. Nelson again thanked Mr Adrian McArdle who had devised and managed this since its inception.

17. AOB (For information only): Cllr. Powell reported on Wild flower planting on the north bank of the Hall car park.
The Chairman thanked the Clerk, Mr Granger for many years of service both for the PC and also in the Community. He said that the PC would mark his retirement in an appropriate way when social distancing was eased.

The meeting closed at 20.40