

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL – TUESDAY
29th APRIL, 2014 PAGET HIGH SCHOOL, 7PM**

Press and members of the public were cordially invited

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 7.00 – 7.15 P.M.

Residents attended to raise the following issues:-

Why have the posts for the ex notice board been left – Maple Way. The chairman explained that for the moment they have been left in the event of an additional notice board being introduced at a later date. A resident informed the council that dog fouling was an issue within Branston parish and not to target the playing field, Clays Lane. A resident felt that the parish council could promote a campaign to stop dog fouling in the parish.

A resident asked why the parish council were not allowing any further legitimate questions about the pavilion. The chairman informed the resident that further questions could be raised via St Modwens developers. A resident raised concerns regarding litter and grass cutting – Clays Lane playing field. A resident informed the council that residents wanted a skate park/Muga on Clays Lane. A resident wanted to know when the website was going to be up and running for St Modwens. A resident asked if she could have the email addresses for all parish councillors as emails were only going to the clerk/chairman and not circulated to all parish councillors. A resident asked if additional bins could be introduced on clays lane. A resident asked if the pathway could be revisited by MacDonalds. A resident returned the memory stick following the freedom of information request. They informed the council that the 300 scanned, 33 appeared to be missing and requested to see them.

Present: Cllr M Ackroyd, Cllr F Smith, Cllr Mrs J Pike, Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd, Cllr M Hussain, Cllr T Bell, Cllr N Slater, Kay Lear

01/14 To receive apologies – Cllr M Walker; Cllr M Ellor; Cllr R Grosvenor, Cllr M Bowering

02/14 Declarations of interest – none reported.

03/14 Treasurers report
Bank rec: March 51629.84
The annual litter bin emptying contract was approved.

04/14 Approval of year end accounts
The clerk had distributed copies of balance sheet, bank reconciliation, income and expenditure for year ending 31.3.14. Everyone present were in favour.

05/14 Annual governance
This was accepted and approved by all present.

06/14 Expenditure Approvals– The following expenditure was approved by the full council.

| Cheque no | Cheque Amount | Payee | Explanation for expenditure | Power to act (as per financial regs) |
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| 001951 | £619 | SPCA | Annual subscription for SPCA | Local government act |
| 001952 | £349.14 | HMRC | Tax/NI for handyman/clerk | Local government act |

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| 001953 | Xxx | R Ludlow | Salary | Local government act |
| 001954 | Xxx | K Lear | Salary | Local government act |
| 001955 | £780.00 | Samble, Burton & Worth | Legal advice | Local government act |
| 001956 | £123.73 | Viking | Postage, stationery | Local government act |
| 001957 | £340.00 | Ian Oakley Landscaping | Grass cutting for parish | Local government act |
| 001958 | 159.02 | Kay Lear | Paint for handyman, telephone, travelling expenses, WW1 book, stationery | Local government act |
| 001959 | £30.00 | R Ludlow | Safety shoes contribution | Local government act |
| 001960 | £390.00 | ESBC | 1 st quarter emptying of bins | Local government act |
| 001961 | £50.00 | S Cammack | Internal audit | Local government act |
| 001962 | £240.00 | DSK | Aviation and Clays Lane | Local government act |
| 001963 | £942.00 | Eyden Signs | Notice board | Local government act |

7/14 Minutes of previous meetings: Council to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, 18th March, 2014. It was resolved that the chair sign the minutes as a true record. Cllr P Ackroyd abstained as she was not present at this meeting.

8/14 Councillor items discussed.

| Councillor | Item for discussion | Decision |
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| T Bell | Council to consider and discuss additional signage along path Battlestead hill | Action: To make proposals for the council to consider. |
| N Slater | Council to consider community litter picks | Action: Speak to McDonalds and Rykneld school for a proposed date/time for the litter pick to take place. |
| N Slater | Council to consider plans for 'Have a field day event' | Action: – defer to next meeting defer to the next meeting |
| T Bell | Branston water park – relocation of dog foul bins/litter rubbish, broken fencing | Action: Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd to speak to Paul Costiff and report back at the next meeting. |
| F Smith | Council to consider how to deal with dog fouling issue – Clays Lane playing field | Action: Speak to enforcement to see what assistance they can do with the matter. It was also suggested that health education was required for members of understand the health risks. |
| J Pike | Council to consider what support can be given to St Michaels Church | No action at this stage. |
| P Ackroyd | Proposed activities for world war one centenary – join St Saviours Church event August | Action: Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd to speak to local schools/Rev Ellor to investigate what the community are doing. . |

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| | bank holiday | ESBC will be launching a website, advertise any events so that people. |
| M Ackroyd | Council to consider introduction of bench/Tatenhill Well. No charge to the parish council. | Action: New bench to be introduced. |
| M Ackroyd/T Bell/ F Smith | 106 Marstons development | Action: Cllr T Bell, Cllr M Ackroyd, Cllr F Smith to meet up with ESBC planning officer. |
| T Bell | Council to consider other improvements to Postern Road open space ie bench location | Action: Leave at the moment but explore improvement plan proposals to be shared with the full council at a later date. |
| T Bell | Council to consider how to improve path to Adventure Farm | Action – To speak to enforcement to investigate why a path was not introduced when the adventure farm was introduced. |

9/14 Clerks report –

Jim Malkin to attend the next meeting to give an update on B&Q depot.

20th May was agreed for the annual assembly 7.30 – 8.30

20th May was agreed for the annual general parish council meeting 6.30 – 7.30.

It was resolved that a strimmer would be purchased for parish council use. £150.

Relocation of notice board, Postern Road was approved by full council.

Neighbourhood plan outstanding issues were discussed. It was agreed that once the draft plan had been approved by full council, public consultation will commence for 6 weeks.

The clerk informed the council that standing orders needed to be reviewed and recommended that the structure of the parish council committee was also reviewed.

10/14 Borough/county councillor reports – Cllr Mrs Ackroyd will raise dog fouling as an issue with Paul Costiff. The corporate plans have been agreed for next year. Community levy to explore.

11/14 Date and time of next meeting , 20th May, Rough Hayes community centre – 6.30 – 7.30 p.m.
Nominations for chairman were requested by the clerk

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ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION (2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT 1960, THE PRESS AND PUBLIC WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO BE DUSCUSSED, HAVING REGARD TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

12/14 Remuneration review – Handyman - £7 an hour increase effective 1st April 2014

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