

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY 21st October, 2014 PAGET HIGH SCHOOL – 7.30 p.m.
OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014
HAS BEEN ADOPTED**

**Members of the press and public were cordially invited
Public participation: 7.30 – 7.45 pm**

8 members of the public were present – the following issues were raised

- 1) People are not using the car park – parish council to speak to agents and surgery
- 2) Police presence would be useful – local PCSO and enforcement officer were present at the meeting and confirmed that they will patrol the area as often as possible
- 3) Can residence parking zone be considered – parish council to make enquiries
- 4) Surgery staff/pharmacy staff not parking on the car park – parish council to speak to surgery
- 5) Engagement with school and surgery is required to deal with local parking issue – parish council to write to local school and pharmacy
- 6) We are cannot get into our drive anymore due to residents parking in front of drives – The local PCSO confirmed that it was essential that residents reported these issues
- 7) Bollards are not the answer at the end of Farm Court – further investigation work to be carried out
- 8) Half way house still a concern – the parish council confirmed that the house will be knocked down when the development progresses
- 9) Is Clays Lane car park going to be locked – the car park will be locked, works will start in January – how is it managed is yet to be established.
- 10) No response following request for Neighbourhood watch – Clerk to speak to neighbourhood watch co ordinator

Present: Cllr M Ackroyd, Cllr F Smith, Cllr M Walker, Cllr Ms J Pike, Cllr M Hussain, Cllr N Slater, Cllr A Sirrell, Kay Lear

In attendance: Enforcement officer Chris Liddle, PCSO Katie Fellows

68/21-10-14 Apologies – Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd, Cllr B Fraser, Cllr T Corbett, Cllr R Grosvenor apologies were received and accepted by those present.

69/21-10-14 Declarations of interest – none submitted

70/21-10-14 Minutes of the last meeting for approval. Made against Rob Ludlow to be added to the minutes. It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting be signed as a true record.

71/21-10-14 Treasurers report

Bank rec: September 2014 £57806.49

The following expenditure was approved by full council.

Cheque no	Cheque Amount	Payee	Explanation for expenditure	Power to act (as per financial regs)
002020	457.21	HMRC	Staff HMRC	Local government act
002021	242.53	R Ludlow	Monthly salary	Local government act
002022	922.08	K Lear	Monthly salary	Local government act
002023	£27.87	K Lear	NDP, travelling expenses, telephone	Local government act
002024	£310.00	P Gould	Grass cutting	Local government act
002025	£39.58	Viking	Maintenance items for	Local government act

			handyman	
002026 – to approve next month	TBA	Kirkwells	ND advice/support	Local government act

72/21-10-14 Chairmans report

The chairman confirmed that the parish council had met with St Modwens regarding the pavilion. A schedule of works will hopefully be issued after Christmas when work should commence.

73/21-10-14 Lead councillors reports

Cllr J Pike - Litter is still a concern. It was resolved that the parish council writes to B& Q and Paget High School to seek support if possible with this issue.

Cllr M Hussain – Nothing to report. The parish council asked Cllr M Hussain to engage with Paget High School to explore at the next governors meeting litter around Paget High School.

Cllr M Walker – Will be attending the remembrance service. We have talked about tree protection, barriers around the trees. We had a meeting with SCC to discuss our draft plan. We talked about the Branston Roundabout and we are going to modify the wording in our draft plan. There will be a new bridge over the canal along Tatenhill Lane and there will be a new access route. We talked about widening of the bridge. The car park by the medical centre is going to be expanded by an additional 10 car parks.

Cllr N Slater – Apologies for non attendance to the remembrance Sunday service. Cllr Slater confirmed that he would be strimming the Toadhole shortly. Plans are in place for the litter pick on the 29th October.

Cllr A Sirrell – Cllr M Rodgers email to be given to Cllr Sirrell.

74/21-10-14 The following Items were discussed.

Councillor	Items discussed	Decision
M Walker	Council to discuss and consider major infrastructure projects for the parish council to propose to Richard Rayson.	The council have agreed that the major projects to be issued to Richard Rayson.
MWalker	Council to discuss and consider opening up of the A38 underpass and make it cycle friendly, ie replace current gate restrictions and remove NO cycling signs at either end and have a dedicated marked out cycle route through underpass. Giving easier access from Branston to the water park and countryside.	It was agreed that the cycle route be pursued
M Walker	Councillors to discuss and consider the proposal that prior	It was resolved that this procedure be adopted.

	to speaking at planning committee meetings, councillors must propose what they wish to state and obtain agreement from the full council prior to proceeding.	Cllr J Pike wished to abstain.
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75/21-10-14 Neighbourhood Plan – Council approved submission plan, consultation statement and basic conditions statement subject to minor modifications.
There was a discussion regarding Postern Road/Henhurst as an area for protection. It was resolved that the clerk obtained advice from Kirkwells as to appropriate text to be included in the plan.

The secondary school was discussed and it was resolved that SCC be approached confirming that Branston parish council would like to propose that a new secondary school be located on the field next to the kennels at Tatenhill. Everyone was in favour of the proposal.

76/21-10-14 PCSO – Katie Fellows – Katie confirmed to residents and the parish council that she now has a wider area to manage. The parish council asked if it would be possible to market the 101 contact no for local residents to call in the event of any concerns.

77/21-10-14 Enforcement officer – Chris Liddle – Chris confirmed that stencilling had been introduced on the pavements/Clays Lane playing field path to encourage members of the public to not drop litter/dog foul the area

78/21-10-14 Planning applications/matters
Cllr Smith felt that the infrastructure needed to be explored locally by Staffordshire county council.

79/21-10-14 Clerks report

Community litter pick – ‘Litter Bit Better’ 29th October 10-12noon – everything in place
Council to consider Neighbourhood forum priority project – It was resolved that the Muga and Cycle path extension project be submitted for the Neighbourhood forum meeting 25th November. The parish council were encouraged to attend the forum event.

Council to discuss and confirm attendees to the Neighbourhood forum priority setting event 25th November, 6pm start – Nigel Slater, Mark Walker and , Kate Oliver will try and attend

Council to confirm attendees to remembrance Sunday service – Cllr J Pike,

Cllr M Walker confirmed that they will be able to attend

Council to consider rebranding of Clays Lane –Council to speak to working group

Council to consider tree surgeon proposed work – It was resolved that work be planned during the winter months and in readiness for the pavilion work to commence

Clays Lane Working Group – Representatives of the parish council and community met to discuss sports facilities that could be offered on Clays Lane playing field. It was

also proposed that a Muga be investigated to enhance the facilities. Next meeting planned for 13th November.

Regatta allotment Committee – No grant application received. AGM planned for 11th November. Cllr Ackroyd and Slater will be attending.

Emergency planning – To accommodate local residents in the the event of requiring emergency food, McDonalds Head Office have been approached to establish their offer of assistance. No response received.

National forest walk - Booked for Thursday 21st May, 10-11.30 – Branston Riverside Walk. Meet Riverside Hotel car park

Meeting with SCC - Representatives from the parish council attended a meeting with Mark Parkinson and James Chadwick. SCC have a schedule of works which the clerk has subsequently requested. Technical costs for the expansion of the Bridge has also been requested.

Branston Horticultural committee correspondence – donation requested. The parish council agreed that the committee should complete a grant application requesting funding.

ESBC Local Plan examination - Residents can attend the local plan examination. Several dates are now confirmed for October and November.

Public footpath/Nr Gate Inn - County works unit have now erected finger post and cleared fence away from the path.

Housing development – Henhurst - Objection submitted

Designation of footpaths - Work is progressing with support from Ted Bell.

Trees overhanging Bridge/Main Street/Burton Road

Network rail visited the site. Maintenance report to be received by 31st October.

Warren Lane crossing - No additional planning application submitted with regards to lighting.

Network rail contacted with regards to established commencement date for work to proceed . No response received.

SCC Meeting - Schedule of works and technical costings for expansion of Bridge – Burton Road, requested from Richard Rayson. No response received.

Ethics training – May 2015 – It was resolved that the training would take place following elections.

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80/21-10-14 Borough/County councillor reports – no reports received

81/21-10-14 Date/venue of next meeting 18TH November, 7.30 p.m, Paget High School

CLLR MIKE ACKROYD
CHAIRMAN – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL