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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015 PAGET HIGH SCHOOL – 7.30. PM

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – 7.30 – 7.45 PM

Present: Cllr M Ackroyd, Cllr F Smith, Cllr J Pike, Cllr P Ackroyd, Cllr A Sirrell, Cllr G Dennis, Cllr N Slater, Cllr M Hussain, Kay Lear

214/17-11-15 To receive apologies – Apologies were received and accepted for County Cllr Fraser.

215/17-11-15 Declarations of interest – Cllr M Hussain, Cllr G Dennis and Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd wished to declare an interest when the illuminated sign planning application for Paget High School was discussed.

216/17-11-15 Chairmans report

The chairman informed the council that he had attended the Regatta allotment AGM. Cllr Pike asked if the ventilation had been improved in the shed. Cllr Ackroyd informed members that this item was not discussed. Members felt that the invitation was too short notice and asked that more notice could be given next time. ACTION: Clerk to inform the committee members next year.

The chairman asked members if they would like to host the fun illumination competition this year again. Members felt it was a good idea. Residents enjoyed the competition. Judging will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> December – Cllr Ackroyd, Cllr Slater and Cllr Mrs Pike would be the judges for the evening.

Dog fouling is being addressed down at Branston Leas. Thanks to be extended to the local enforcement officers for all there help ACTION: Clerk to email the enforcement officers.

217/17-11-15 Lead councillor reports

F Smith – A meeting had taken place with highways to discuss the concern, Tim Buxton is going to speak to traffic management. White lines need to be introduced again to highlight the junction. ACTION: Clerk to make further enquiries with Richard Rayson before the next meeting.

There was concern that Cllr T Corbett had not visited the site yet to explore double yellow lines. ACTION: Clerk to make enquiries with Richard Rayson before the next meeting.

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A meeting had taken place with Shaun Rimmer and Ian Romano in relation to the introduction of a lay by near to the entrance of the peace wood. Both were very supportive that this could be introduced.

J Pike – Jo attended the improving lives meeting and felt they had more direction now. Overall aim, improve the experience of patients and carers. They want to have more joined up care and want to work with local groups. Jo Pike was concerned about the confidentiality. Care Navigators will be appointed. Virgin Care and Age Uk will be supporting the service.

They are also going to be introducing a citizen panel. Residents can apply to be on the citizen panel - citizenspanel@virginicare.co.uk

A Sirrell – Contact had been made with Licensing in relation to cars parked at the junction of the Henhurst. The local PCSO's also be contacted to for assistance.

M Hussain – Residents had reported pot holes along Burton Road and also leaves along Burton Road which the clerk has been asked to report. ACTION: Clerk to report the issues again to highways.

P Ackroyd – Contribution to the MUGA via Consolidated charity could be explored. Next round is February 2016. It was recommended that the parish council explored Wasp funding in the new year for the mini goal posts to be paid for also.

218/17-11-15 Minutes of the last meeting for approval. It was resolved that the minutes were a true and accurate record. The chairman to sign them accordingly.

219/17-11-15 The following expenditure was approved by full council.

Cheque no	Cheque Amount	Payee	Explanation for expenditure	Power to act (as per financial regs)
2278	£310.00	P Gould	Grass cutting contract - July	Local government act
2279	£200.00	Pride in the community	Grass cutting contract - August	Local government act/ Lengthsman grant
2280	£923.00	K Lear	Monthly salary	Local government act
2281	£393.00	HMRC	Monthly Tax/NI	Local government act
2282	£429.57	Glasdon Manufacturing	Litter bins for Henhurst Ridge and Clays Lane	Local government act/County council grant
2283	£102.14p	Kay Lear	Memory stick, bulbs for henhurst, travelling expenses, refreshments, telephone	Local government act
2284	£816.00	Mercury fire and CCTV	CCTV additional cameras	Local government act/County council grant
2285	£100.00	Pride in the	Lengthsman activities	Local government act

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2286	£15.00	Staffordshire playing fields association	Annual membership	Local government act

**Treasurers report:**

Bank reconciliation: £44579.40 October 2015(includes dd estimate bills) (cheques not cleared £6923.22)Income claimed outstanding: Lengthsman grant claimed, NDP grant £5.7K

The clerk informed members that the electricity bill was excessive. Further investigations to be carried out.

CLlr Mrs Ackroyd asked if an additional column could be included in the accounts to highlight costs of the pavilion.

The clerk informed members that broadband had finally been installed but unfortunately it was in the storeroom. Members requested that the clerk tried to get it relocated.

220/17-11-15      Items discussed

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Items discussed</b>	<b>Decision/Actions</b>
F Smith	Council to discuss and consider financial support to the Peace wood	Soldiers who died in the 1 <sup>st</sup> world war commemorate approx 25 trees – ACTION: Clerk to find names.
M Ackroyd	Council to discuss and consider any enhanced enforcement services required and possible agencies to contact	It was resolved that the proposal would not be cost effective.
M Ackroyd	Council to discuss and consider purchasing and installing some socket junior goal posts or whether the parish council would prefer to leave this decision until the parish council have received the outcome of the grant application via Veolia which is planned to be received January 2016	The parish council felt it was important to introduce another set of goal posts.ACTION: Clerk to obtain costings and submit a wasp application in January 2016.
J Pike	Council to discuss and consider whether they wish to participate in the best kept village	It was resolved that the project would be left for the time being.

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- 221/17-11-15      Planning matters
- Proposed primary school, Henhurst - There was a long discussion in relation to this application. Residents and councillors attended the consultation event and were concerned about the following issues should the application be approved. The parish council resolved that they wished to object to the planning application on the following grounds:-
- Infrastructure will not support the increased traffic approaching and leaving Henhurst Hill.
  - The council felt that demographically there were not sufficient children in the parish and as such the school was not required
  - The parish council also were concerned about lack of parking for the proposed school
- Illuminated sign – Paget High School – It was resolved that the parish council supported the planning application
- 222/17-11-15      Clerks report/including correspondence  
Resident enquiries/updates:  
Highway complaints – Drains – reported to SCC  
Resident enquiries – litter river bank, Main Street – reported to ESBC  
Signage for toadhole - Additional signage has been introduced to encourage residents to keep boisterous dog under control  
Clean for the Queen initiative 4, 5, 6 March 2016 – members felt it was something that could be explored next year  
Feed families initiative – members felt that it was down to individuals/members if they wished to support the initiative
- Additional cameras had been installed – Cllrs Smith, Dennis and Ackroyd wished to have access to the cameras via their mobile phones. Clerk to investigate.
- PACT meeting is now scheduled for Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December,
- 223/17-11-15      Borough/county councillor reports –  
Anti social behaviour policy is being discussed  
Branston golf club, 20% sold back to the golf club
- 224/17-11-15      Date/time/venue for next meeting -15<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30 p.m. Paget High  
3<sup>rd</sup> December, 7pm Pavillion  
Partnersip meeting, 4pm, Gary will attend instead.

CLLR MIKE ACKROYD  
CHAIRMAN – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL

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