

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL
THURSDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2016 – 7.30 – PAGET HIGH SCHOOL
OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014 HAS BEEN ADOPTED
The press and members of the public were cordially invited**

Present: Cllrs M Ackroyd, F Smith, J Pike, P Palmer, G Dennis, N Slater, N Hussain, K Lear

In attendance: Martin Lawson, Gill Evans, Burton university of the 3rd Age
“Ancient Roman Project Group”

318/20-10-16 Apologies were received and accepted for
Cllr M Hussain, Cllr A Sirrell, Cllr Mrs Ackroyd

319/20-110-16 Declarations of interest – none submitted

320/20-10-16 Minutes of the last meeting were circulated to members prior to the meeting. It was resolved that minutes of the meeting of the 27th September, 2016 were a true and accurate record. It was resolved that the chairman signed them accordingly.

321/20-10-16 Welcome – Third Age University Group – The group attended to make the parish council aware of research they are carrying out in Branston.

322/20-10-16 The following expenditure was approved by members

Cheque no	Cheque Amount	Payee	Explanation for expenditure	Power to act (as per financial regs)
002437	£310.00	P Gould	Grass cutting	Local government act 1972
002438	£350.00	British Gas	Annual service	Local government act 1972
002439	£468.00	ESBC	Empty dog bins	Local government act 1972
002440	£104.74	Viking	Stationery	Local government act 1972
002441	£78.00	Fire Equipment Services	Annual service of fire extinguishers	Local government act 1972
002442	£400.00	David Lear	Lengthsman activities	Local government act 1972/Lengthsman grant
002443	£923.16	Kay Lear	Salary	Local government act 1972
002444	£393.53	HMRC	Tax/Ni	Local government act 1972
002445	£130.37	K Lear	No Parking signage for highway, Travelling expenses, telephone	Local government act 1972
002446	£36.00	Mercury Fire & Security	Fire extinguisher annual service	Local government act 1972
002447	£117.59	Viking	Ink cartridges	Local government act 1972
002448	£21.95	G Dennis	Lock for pavilion – lock was	Local government act 1972



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Treasurers report:
Bank reconciliation presented
Direct debits approved

MacMillan Coffee morning was very successful. £300 was raised for the charity. Thanks were extended to Councillor P Palmer for co ordinating the event.

323/20-10-16 Lead councillor reports/updates/matters outstanding

There was a discussion in relation to possible improvements that need to be explored at the Pavilion. It was resolved that a Pavilion committee would be set up – Cllrs Slater, Palmer, Dennis, Ackroyd would be on the committee. It was resolved that the committee would have delegated responsibility to manage the facility.

Cllr Ackroyd informed members that the county council has initiated the start of a negotiation with the owner at Howards Transport in relation to the upgrade of the footpath embankment of Main Street.

324/20-10-16 Items discussed

- Council to discuss and consider the relocation of the Memorial, Main Street. It was resolved that Cllr Smith had a discussion with Howards transport to make enquiries as to any possible location of the memorial

- Council to discuss and consider work required to trees near to Morrisons Car Park. It was resolved that correspondence be sent to ESBC and SCC informing them of the trees along Clays Lane which are mature and may cause a danger.

It was resolved that Cllr Pike will be attending 7th December 4- 7.30 p.m. Town Hall, Conversations with Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent event.

Out of hour service is now up at the Hospital near to A & E. There are also plans in relation to a multi storey car park in the pipeline.



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There was discussion in relation to the defibrillator. It was resolved that an additional sign would be introduced. Cllr Slater kindly offered to obtain an additional sign from the First Aid Training provider.

325/20-10-16 Planning applications/matters – No planning applications were discussed.

326/20-10-16 Clerks report/includes correspondence

Community café – Fountains enterprise group are looking for a location to host a weekly community café. An invitation has been given to the school to view the pavilion as a possible location. The parish council were happy for the school to view the facility.

Branston in bloom. Members were happy that the clerk made enquiries with local residents to see if they were interested in supporting the project.

Grant from County Cllr Tim Corbett – The clerk made members aware that a grant had been secured. Cllr Corbett was happy to support further pruning of trees within the parish and also the introduction of a further bin on Clays Lane Playing Field. The grant has already been paid into the parish council account.

Intruder alarm maintenance contract – It was resolved that the clerk obtained further quotations.

327/20-10-16 Borough and county councillor reports- no reports received.

328/20-10-16 Date/time/venue for next meeting :

22nd November, 7.30, Paget High School

13th December 6.30 to 7.30

CLLR MIKE ACKROYD

CHAIRMAN – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL



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