

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 2016 – 7.30 – PAGET HIGH SCHOOL
OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014 HAS BEEN ADOPTED
The press and members of the public are cordially invited**

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

In attendance: No county or borough councillors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Residents attended the meeting to explore whether it was possible to introduce a weight restriction along Henhurst/Forest Road. Members explained that this was unfortunately not possible.

307/27-9-16 To receive apologies ; No apologies were received.

308/27-9-16 Declarations of interest – Cllr M Hussain requested that the clerk forwarded to him the register of interest documents and guidelines for completion, his previous completed copy must have got lost in the post.

309/27-9-16 Minutes of the last meeting for approval. It was resolved that the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record. Cllr Hussain wished to abstain as he was not present at the last meeting.

310/27-9-16 Welcome – Ian Wright – Health Watch – Mr Wright gave an informative overview of the service, in particular that residents are encouraged to give feedback on any service they have received whether it be positive or areas for improvement.

311/27-9-16 The following expenditure was approved by all members.

Cheque no	Cheque Amount	Payee	Explanation for expenditure	Power to act (as per financial regs)
002424	£175.00	T Devit	Planter for Postern Road	Local Government Act 1972
002425	£50.59	T Bell	Materials for fitting of planter	Local government act 1972/chairmans allowance
002426	£435.00	Regional Trees Care	Pruning of trees/Toad Hole	Local Government Act 1972
002427	£1704.00	Mercury Fire	Additional CCTV coverage	Local Government Act 1972
002428	£480.00	Grant Thornton	2016 Annual Return	Local Government Act 1972
002429	£393.53	HMRC	Tax/NI	Local Government Act 1972
002430	£923.16	K Lear	Salary	Local government Act 1972
002431	£330.37	K Lear	Steamer/Keys cut/Telephone	Local government Act 1972



			(July and August)/Insurance/materials for man hole repairs/travelling expenses	
002432	£400.00	D Lear	Lengthsman activities	Local government Act 1972
002433	£310.00	P Gould	Grass cutting	Local government act 1972
002434	£10.00	Rough Hayes Community Centre	Room hire for speed watch meeting	Local government act 1972
002435	£25.00	British Legion	Wreath for remembrance sunday	Local government act 1972/chairmans allowance
002436	£35.00	Information commissioner	Data protection annual membership	Local government act 1972

Treasurers report:

Bank reconciliation £46308.17

Direct debits approved : BT: 25.09; Gas / electricity £122.64

Income received: £2500 PCC grant

External audit approved – notices displayed.

The clerk made members aware that the receipt which had been submitted for the work carried out by a contractor was not acceptable. Clerk has requested copies of invoices for materials purchased.

312/27-9-16 Lead councillor reports/updates/matters outstanding

M Ackroyd – It was resolved ‘without prejudice’ that the council would prune some trees surrounding the playing field. £450 was approved by members. Clerk to meet with tree surgeon to agree date. Cllrs Mrs Ackroyd, Sirrell and Hussain were against the proposal.

A Sirrell – The litter pick was very productive. Cllr Sirrell met a resident who did regular litter picks around the Henhurst. It was resolved that the clerk sent a letter of thanks for his support.

P Palmer – The MacMillian coffee morning is due to take place on Tuesday 4th October. Speed watch meeting was productive. Speed watch training is planned for 5th November at the Pavilion.

N Slater – The Branston in Lights competition for 2016 was discussed and agreed that it would be hosted this year.

J Pike – Our first health walk took place. 50% improvement in attendees. The next litter pick is planned for Sunday 16th October. The memorial service



was discussed at St Saviours Church. It was resolved that Cllrs Mr and Mrs Ackroyd would lay the wreath. Clerk to organise.

313/27-9-16 Items discussed.

- Council to discuss and consider pavilion improvements – It was resolved that further investigations be carried out which will be discussed at the next available meeting. Members agreed that No parking printed within the entrance of the pavilion barrier was required. Approx cost £190. It was resolved that the clerk organised this as soon as possible.
- Council to discuss and consider next steps for school crossing / Rykneld School . It was resolved that Cllr Mrs Ackroyd meets with the billing authority to understand what increased income the parish council are likely to receive due to the increased local population.
- Council to consider appropriate boiler service supplier . It was resolved that the parish council sets the annual service agreement with British Gas, cost £350. Cllr Pike wished to abstain.
- Council to discuss and consider adoption of balancing lagoon/Forest Road (Marston Development). It was resolved by members that the balancing lagoon would not be adopted by the parish council. Clerk to confirm this in writing to Belway.

314/27-9-16 Planning applications/matters – P/2016/01185 - 147 Burton Road – Front and rear extension. The application was discussed and it was resolved that an objection would be submitted for the front extension proposal. Cllr M Hussain wished to abstain as he had not viewed the plans in detail.

315/27-9-16 Clerks report/includes correspondence

- Infrastructure strategy correspondence – It was resolved that members submitted their thoughts. Clerk to submit a response by the 9th October.
- Traffic calming for Forest Road/Henhurst Hill – There was a discussion in relation to this subject. Members recognised that this needed to be considered and was a local important issue.
- Toad hole management plan – Trees had been pollard as per request by members.



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-correspondence from Enforcement in relation to Playing field use whilst the Sunday football games are taking place – It was resolved that the clerk contacted enforcement to confirm the playing field policy.

- Barrier open at the Pavilion – There was a lengthy discussion in relation to this item. Members were very concerned that in the event of the barrier being left open whether it would encourage travellers getting access to the site which if this happened would be very costly to the parish council. It was resolved by all members that the barrier would only be open when the pavilion is being used.

- No other items were discussed which formed part of the clerks report.

316/27-9-16 Borough and county councillor reports – no reports

317/27-9-16 Date/time/venue for next meeting : Thursday 20th October, 2016, 7.30 p.m

**CLLR MIKE ACKROYD
CHAIRMAN – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL**