

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL - TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2013 – 6.30 P.M. PAGET CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Public participation – 7.00 – 7.15

Present: Cllr M Ackroyd, Cllr N Slater, Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd, Cllr F Smith, Cllr M Hussain, Cllr M Ellor, Mrs K Lear (clerk)

Application no	Location	Description
P/2013/00478	Holiday Inn Express	Additional 45 bedrooms

Public participation 7.00 – 7.15

Childrens play area – hinge is still faulty on the park and needs repairing

25/13 To receive apologies – Apologies were received and accepted for Cllr J Yates.

26/13 To receive any Declarations of Interest – none

27/13 Minutes of previous meeting 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013: Council to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. It was resolved that the minutes are signed as a true record, the chairman signed them accordingly.

28/13 Chairmans report

The chairman informed the council that Paget High School was hosting an event on 29<sup>th</sup> June 1-4pm, Enterprise Fair. The chairman informed the council that he would be making a donation to the event of £50 from his Chairmans allowance.

Resident issue – the parish council have been approached by a local resident concerned about the situation on the A38. The clerk had made enquiries regarding Amey and had received the following response. The resident was present at the meeting and felt that the response was a poor response which the parish council had received.

29/13 Approve lead councillors for following committees:

- Finance – Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd – accepted the position
- Open spaces – Cllr N Slater – accepted the position
- Major projects – Cllr J Yates – accepted via e mail

30/13 Project updates from lead councillors

Planning committee update – Cllr M Ackroyd and Cllr F Smith gave an update on the Gatehouse. Everyone present felt that the Gatehouse was an essential building for the residents of Branston. Clerk to investigate costs.

Land South of Branston – Cllr F Smith raised a concern regarding the additional shops that were being introduced.

Open spaces committee update – Residents have seen evidence of people taking wood from the Toadhole. It was resolved that additional signage be added to the Toadhole – laminated signs in the first instance. It was also resolved that the clerk designed a sign for the entrance of the Toadhole and obtained quotes accordingly. The following was proposed:-

**“Do not drop anything, do not take anything other than pictures of our beautiful conservation area”. – Many thanks”**

Beans covert is having residents taking wood. Clerk to raise this with ESBC.

Cllr M Hussain – Lamp post bins not being emptied on a regular basis - Branston Road, Fairways. The council raised a concern regarding coming off the A38 into Branston. There was lots of discussion regarding the improvements that could be proposed. It was however recognised that the final decision was with highways.

31/13 The following items were discussed:

Councillor	Item for discussion	Decision
Cllr N Slater	Council have been informed that wood is being taken from the Toadhole. Council to discuss.	It was resolved that the clerk would obtain a quote for a large sign to be introduced at the front of the Toadhole. The clerk would also short term introduce some laminated signs to be displayed along the Toadhole and letters would be posted via local residents to make them aware of the parish councils concern.
Cllr P Ackroyd	Council to discuss and consider how World war one 100 years – August 2014.	It was proposed that the parish Plant additional poppies – group to explore land. The council to consider a plaque to be introduced onto the Gatehouse subject to the Gatehouse project going ahead. Plant a tree was suggested – Symbol of Hope. It was proposed that this item is introduced into the Neighbourhood development projects. Cllr Mrs Ackroyd informed the council that Paul Steed had offered to come to a meeting to discuss this with the council.

32/13 Local police matters – None submitted.

33/13 Planning applications/matters/update on steering committee

Application no	Location	Description	Decision
P/2013/00478	Holiday Inn Express	Additional 45 bedrooms	No objection
	B and Q Depot	Housing	Support - There was lots of discussions around the development and the impact on the infrastructure. The group

			<p>also concluded that the density of the development was a concern.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The housing density is a concern – this can make them look narrow and dark, with little parking, this should be discouraged at Lawn's farm also.</li> <li>• School and gate house to be added to the application.</li> <li>• Infrastructure to be in place before the start of the development.</li> <li>• Adequate off road parking is provided.</li> <li>• Cycle tracks also to be provided.</li> </ul>
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There was a discussion regarding the pedestrian crossing – Clays Lane – It was discussed in detail by the councillors present. Sadly it was felt that the pedestrian crossing could not be moved.

#### 34/13 Borough/county councillor reports –

Cllr Mrs Ackroyd informed the council that two exits are proposed, Regents Park Road, Burton Road. ESBC feel that there should be traffic lights in the area when this development is introduced. Traffic lights to be introduced – Junction of Burton Road.

Business development fund is being launched – small sized businesses can look for matched funding. Brighter Bloom competitions – Winshill and Tutbury have entered. Combine it with the garden Olympics. Next year 2014 – Bridger borough and Garden Olympics Paul Steed will be leading.

Welcome signs – ESBC are progressing with these. It was proposed and seconded that the parish council would continue with their own Gateway signs. Postern Road and Main Street were suggested locations 3 were for and 3 against the proposal for Main Street. It was resolved that if Richard Rayson supported the suggestion, then it would go ahead.

#### 35/13 Clerks report

Garden competition – Judging event – 13<sup>th</sup> July – 9am – council to agree who will be attending  
 HMRC penalty – date be confirmed  
 QE2 plaques are to be returned  
 Burton albion will be hosting a free session on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1-3pm

#### 36/13 The following expenditure was approved by the parish council.

<b>Cheque no</b>	<b>Cheque Amount</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Explanation for expenditure</b>	<b>Power to act (as per financial regs)</b>
001850	£140.51	HMRC	Underpayment 2012/13	Local government act
001851	£903.86	Kirkwells	Issues and options report/neighbourhood development project	Local government Act
001852	£300	P Gould	Grass cutting contract 2013/14 June payment	Local government act
001853	231.90	R Ludlow	Monthly salary	Local government act
001854	692.46	K Lear	Monthly salary	Local government act
001855	306.12	HMRC	Tax/NI – K Lear/ R Ludlow	Local government act
001856	£58.11	K Lear	Telephone/stationery/travelling expenses/refreshments/torch/postage for HMRC/landregistry	Local government act
001857			Cancelled cheque	
001858	£34.87	R Ludlow	Plants/battery for Q Star camera	Local government act

Bank mandate – It was resolved that Cllr M Hussain be added to the bank mandate. The clerk confirmed that Martin Hodson walker was removed from the bank mandate.

Bank rec May 2013 **£52816.62**

37/13 Items for discussion at next meeting

Date/time/venue next meeting – Paget High School– 16<sup>th</sup> July 2013, 6.30 pm – it was suggested that (council to confirm venue)  
Church sketches will be submitted at the next meeting

Meeting will close at 8.00 p.m. to members of the press/public

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