

**MINUTES :** BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL  
**DATE:** TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JULY 2019, 6.30 p.m.  
**VENUE:** CLAYS LANE SPORTS PAVILION

***PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – 6.30 – 6.45 P.M.***  
***PRESS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED***  
***OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014 HAS BEEN ADOPTED***

***Present:*** ***Cllr M Ackroyd (Chairman)***  
***Cllr F Smith (Vice Chairman)***  
***Cllr P Ackroyd***  
***Cllr P Palmer***  
***Cllr J Pike***  
***Cllr N Slater***  
***Cllr N Gaunt***  
***Mrs K Lear (clerk)***

**802/23-7-19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**Resolved:** that apologies be accepted for County Cllr J Jessel and Borough Cllr A Clarke

**803/23-7-19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None submitted

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**804/23-7-19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING FOR APPROVAL**

**Resolved:** that the minutes were an accurate and true record and that the Chairman signed them accordingly,

For - 6	Against	Abstain - 1
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**805/23-7-19 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (UPDATES ONLY)**

**Resolved:** that Cllr Gaunt made enquiries about the unwanted bricks down at the Toad being stored near to the B&Q Depot in the event of the parish council wishing to create a path.

For - unanimous	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
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The chairman informed the council about further vandalism down at the Peacewood.

**Resolved:** that the clerk makes enquiries as to whether there is an anti loitering device which could be fitted down at the Peace wood

For - unanimous	Abstain	Against
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## **806/23-7-19CHAIRMANS REPORT**

### **Fountains award ceremony**

The Chairman informed the council that he and Cllr Palmer had attended Fountains school awards ceremony.

### **Overgrowth Peace wood**

The parish council had been approached by a resident concerned about the overgrowth around Branston Leas which will soon make access difficult.

**Resolved:** that Cllr Slater meets the local resident to establish the residents concern. It was noted that access is still needed and St Modwens are still exploring this.

For – unanimous	Against	Abstain
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### **Shobnall Parish Council**

The chairman advised the council that Shobnall Parish Council were interested in some feedback on the play area which the parish council manages.

The following response was agreed to be submitted:

The parish council felt it is a completely different situation, The Link play area is remote. The play area in Branston is regularly maintained and monitored, we have a handyman who checks the area daily

### **Regatta Allotment, lease agreement renewal**

The allotment lease had been circulated prior to the meeting for members to review.

**Resolved:** that the clause re dissolving the committee be included in the lease agreement before sending to Regatta allotment committee.

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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### **Relocation of Speed camera, Regents Park**

It was noted that the speed camera would be relocated to Burton Road due to the recent increased traffic.

### **Overgrowth, The Bridge**

Now that the Toad Hole is closed, the environmental volunteers will be tidying up the foodpath one Saturday before the school terms begins in September

## **807/23-7-19 FINANCE**

### **Payments approved**

Car park works	44520.00
Toad Hole signage	594.00
Payroll	1788.17
Maintenance	150.00
Utilities/pavilion	162.93
Maintenance/gate play area	2520.00
Bin emptying	564.00
Election costs	172.04
Water plus	4.39
Grass cutting	462.00
Maintenance	216.00
Reimbursement/deposit	150.00
Payroll	1788.17 (august)
Grass cutting	462.00 (august)
Device	677.99 (august)

**Resolved:** that the above payments be processed

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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The monthly bank reconciliation was noted

The quarterly budget was presented, budget virements were approved

Cllr P Ackroyd had review the 1<sup>st</sup> months quarter accounts and had nothing to report as per financial regulations.

Ear marked reserves were approved:-

£30k open spaces improvements  
£30K main room extension

### **Grant application – Rough Hayes Community Centre**

**Resolved:** that a grant for £460 would be given to the group

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**808/23-7-19 PLANNING APPLICATION/MATTERS**

- Update on NDP – ESBC 6 week consultation will be commencing shortly
- Aviation Lane 127 Affordable houses – P/2018/01291 – Object - reinforced at the recent planning committee meeting which the Chairman attended
- Farm Court Lane – P/2018/01568 this application will go to committee in August. The parish councils objections to this application will be circulated to all planning committee members. Residents raised several questions. Borough Cllr Mrs Ackroyd confirmed that she would investigate the matters.
- Branston Locks 10000 Sq ft Health Care and associated community use will developed at Lawns Farm
- Branston Leas – P/2019/00830 – Lawns Farm Minor amendments – No objections
- Demolition of outbuilding, provision of parking spaces, Postern House Farm, erection of Nursery Building, P/2018/01578 – No objections
- SPD consultations – No objections

**809/23-7-19 MINOR TREE WORKS ENTRANCE TO PLAY AREA, CLAYS LANE BORDER BY MUGA, AND OPPOSITE MORRISONS CAR PARK**

**Resolved:** that the clerk obtains quotations for works, total budget £1K

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**810/23-7-19 MINOR WORKS ENTRANCE TO WARREN LANE**

**Resolved:** that the clerk obtains a quotation to extend the standing area by the bus shelter and the clerk obtains land ownership for the land adjacent to 243 Burton Road.

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**811/23-7-19 CLAYS LANE SPORTS PAVILION CAR PARK WORKS**

**Resolved:** that no access works were required at the recently introduced car parks, Clays Lane.

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**812/23-7-19 SITE VISIT, ACACIA LANE**

**Resolved:** that a site visit would take place in September, Cllrs M Ackroyd and P Palmer were interested in attending to observe traffic flow/speed following residents complaints.

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**813/23-7-19 LIGHTING FOR THE REAR CAR PARK EXTENSION AND ALSO CAR PARK OPENING TIMES, ADDITIONAL SIGNAGE**

**Resolved:** that the clerk obtains quotations for motion activated lights

**Resolved:** that the clerk obtains quotations for cutting back overhanging trees by the car park. A planning application will need to be submitted as some of the trees have TPO's on them.

**Resolved:** that the clerk introduces Signage 'parking at own risk' around the new car parks

**814/23-7-19 FLOODING ON MAIN STREET BRANSTON**

**Resolved:** that the clerks contacts Severn Trent for a site visit to establish what works are required along with estimated costs. County Cllr J Jessel has confirmed that she is also investigating this matter.

For unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**815/23-7-19 REPORTS FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCILLORS, STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE**

Borough Cllr Mrs P Ackroyd would make enquiries in relation to the Court Farm Lane planning enquiry raised this evening.

**816/23-7-19 CLERKS REPORT, CORRESPONDENCE, POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

**Resolved:** that clerk explores the derelict land grant application for a local project.

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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**Resolved:** that the clerk makes enquiries in relation to painting the internal walls of the A38 underpass



# Branston Parish Council



For - unanimous	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
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**Resolved:** that the clerk organises the return of the £150 deposit for the Branston FC reserve team

<b>For - unanimous</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
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**Resolved:** that a small celebration will take place for the Branston in bloom volunteers sometime in September. Clerk to obtain invitees from the Branston in Bloom project team.

For - unanimous	Against	Abstain
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## DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

24<sup>th</sup> September, 2019

October meeting will now take place on the 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

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