

BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL.

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Minutes of the Broughton Annual Parish Council Meeting held at The Meacham Room, Broughton Village Hall, 7pm, Thursday 20th June 2024

Councillors Present:

Cllr P Scouse (Chair)

Cllr R. Shrive

Cllr. H. Bull

Cllr M. Gray

Cllr M. Rose.

Ward Councillors present:

None

40/24. Apologies.

Cllr J Currall

Cllr J O'Hara

41/24. Declarations of Interest.

None were declared

42/24. Minutes to be resolved.

Draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 22nd May 2024 and copies were circulated. The minutes were approved by members and was authorised for signature by the chair. **RESOLVED.**

BPC - Broughton Parish Council.

NNC - North Northamptonshire Council.

SID – Speed Indicator Device

43/24. Public right to speak.

None

44/24. Reports from NNC Councillors.

No reports were submitted

45/24. Report from clerk & correspondence

182/23 The clerk has sent a photo of the broken fence by the old memorial garden to NNC and asked if they could mend/replace it. **Update: Clerk has chased Western Power and NNC for reply.**

14/06/2024 – Invited Jennifer Hedges from NACRE to July meeting – Rural Housing. Jenni cannot make but Phillipa from Midlands Housing can attend on her behalf.

29/05/2024 – Complaint from resident in Lime Close regarding neighbours broken fence and debris left by very large willow tree. Forwarded onto NNC and ward councillors.

Clerk Report

Clerk reported the installation of a dropped kerb at in 96 Northampton Road to NNC Highways. See 48/24 below.

Cllr Scouse reported 3 different potholes with FixMyStreet

- Pothole near social club – Investigating – Previous repair is failing creating a new hole.
- Road breaking up near drain cover opposite bungalows – **Action scheduled**
- 5919169 - Very deep hole to the base of the road layer in Kettering Road – **Completed**
- 5978615 - Central reservation visibility reduced - The central reservation at the Broughton/A43 intersection is overgrown and the visibility is now very poor. **Completed**

23/05/24 Cllr Shrive reported the public footpath from West Street to Cox's lane which is completely over grown and not passable - **Completed**

18/05/2024 – Clerk received an email regarding a fall by a resident which took place in the High Street, Clerk has contacted BT to come out again to inspect

June 2024 correspondence

- Kettering East (Urban) LAP
- Northamptonshire ACRE June Newsletter
- Local Nature Recovery Strategy – 20th June
- Northamptonshire ACRE Rural House Enabler Programme – Cllr Bull to attend

46/24. Reports from external meetings

Written report from Cllr Bull and Cllr Scouse

Attended NACRE Parish networking meeting. There was a presentation by Citizens Advice Bureau.

NACRE are working at full capacity and encouraging people to seek help more quickly when it comes to health issues and housing debt. The aim is to look for local people who are vulnerable and do some outreach work, creating community hubs

There was also a presentation regarding a community bus for outreach work.

NACRE have funding for hiring village halls in the winter.

A discussion took place about how best to notify residents and build community engagement – whats app groups per street or round robin were spoken about.

There is also a Green space initiative which would include training courses to undertake project management. Councillors offered Pocket Park, Village Hall in Broughton as examples.

47/24. Update from Councillor surgery, recruitment and possible co-option

The Councillor surgery had a good uptake from residents. It was brought to the attention of BPC that in Hutchinson Avenue, some hedges and trees are extremely overgrown.

Action: Clerk to send letter to resident.

Action: Clerk to write thank you note to landlord of Red Lion for hosting surgery.

Another surgery will be arranged for September

48/24. – Traffic Calming - update on Northampton Road consultation

BPC had an onsite meeting with Sarah Barnwell (NNC) and Matt Barratt (Kier) after it was discovered that 96 Northampton Road had installed a dropped kerb outside their property which compromised the current traffic calming project.

A summary of alternative options were discussed and all of the measures would need to be subject to a detailed design and commercial process.

BPC decided their preference to now be road marking/hatching, road narrowings and a priority change at Wellingborough Rd.

49/24. – Old Memorial Garden update

Work has continued at the garden and woodchip was scattered to reduce weeds.

Total amount spent so far is £589.55 including woodchip out of a budget of £1000.00.

There is £410.45 left.

50/24. – Grants update

Constance Travis Endowment Fund – up to £2k under Good health & wellbeing. **Action: Clerk to look into criteria and eligibility further**

Tesco Stronger Start is inviting applications for the **July – August 2024** voting period of its Stronger Start grant scheme. Grants of up to £1,500 are available. Nearest stores is Kettering, Carina Road and can take up to 12 – 18 months.

Action: Clerk to apply

51/24. – Domain.gov.uk

Hugo Fox is currently in the process of becoming a **registered .gov.uk domain host**, which is part of their ongoing commitment to enhance the services they provide. Hugo Fox has confirmed they are on course for August/September.

52/24. Development control / Planning Report.

Planning applications

None

Planning Decisions

NK/2024/0300

LOCATION: 1 Manor Farm Close, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Notification of Works to Trees in Conservation Areas: T1 Golden Leylandi - Fell; T2 Silver Birch - Crown reduction by 2m and laterally to balance, remove dead, diseased, dying, crossing, rubbing and duplicated branches; T3 Goat Willow - Re-pollard; T4 Silver Birch – Fell

NK/2024/0219

LOCATION: Land to the west of the A43, Broughton

PROPOSAL: Determination - telecommunications: 1 no. 25m lattice tower supporting 12 no. antennas and 4 no. dishes on 2 no. headframes together with up to 5 no. ground based cabinets, 1 no. meter cabinet and ancillary development including compound fencing and hard standing area

53/24. Finance Report - to note AGAR sign off and savings account update

June 2024 statements

Nationwide 125-day saver - £17,093.18

Nationwide 35-day saver - £5,030.29

Community - £24,983.83

Credits to Nationwide 125 day-saver account

Interest		£0.00
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Credits to Nationwide 35 day-saver account

Transfer		£0.00
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Credits to Community account

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Payments issued from Community account.

Payee	Method	Amount
Salary - mth 3	Bank transfer	£414.77
HMRC income tax	Bank transfer	£103.60
A McDaid home working, webpage, phone, reimbursement for plants & petrol	Bank transfer	£105.57
H Bull – Reimbursement for woodchip	Bank transfer	£85.00
P. Scouse – reimbursement for councillor surgery	Bank transfer	£9.00

Cllr Scouse to authorise payments this month.

It was resolved to not continue with Parish online now there is a subscription charge.

54/24. Items for consideration at next meeting

High Street playground project

Traffic calming

Winter lights

Pocket park pond

Date changes for monthly meetings

55/24. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 18th July 2024

56/24. Any other matters that the Chair considers to be urgent.

The meeting was closed at 8:00pm

Signed:

Dated: