

Brampton and Oxnead Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Village Hall, The Street, Brampton
on Wednesday 11th March 2015 at 7.30 pm

Present

Councillors:

Stuart Wilson (Chairman), Mark Little, Margaret Whiley,
Trevor Whiteman

Also in attendance:

Barbara Rix: District Councillor

David Harrison: County Councillor

Margaret Claridge: Clerk to the Council

2014/81 Apologies

Apologies were received from Laura Humphrey and Gary Bean

2014/82 Declarations of Interest

None were received

2014/83 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 14th January were circulated, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2014/84 Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr Little agreed to finish the recycling note to be sent round.

2014/85 Reports

Were received from the following

- 1) County Council – Cllr David Harrison updated us with his report from Norfolk County Council and the meetings he has attended. The Service committee meetings are held only 6 times a year and the meetings are lasting longer and longer which is a source of tension for those involved.
- 2) District Council – Cllr Barbara Rix updated us with reports from the meetings she has attended.
- 3) Police –A letter from PCSO Helen Anderson was read out by the Clerk informing us that she will be moving on and will no longer be our PCSO for Brampton.

2014/86 Public participation

It was agreed to adjourn the meeting to take comments from members of the public and Councillors. There were no comments.

2014/87 Planning

Application No 20150004

Retrospective Planning Application: Installation of 6 No Flood Lights for Outdoor

Equestrian Arena Menage Lighting

Location: Oxnead Equestrian Centre, Hall Farm, Hall Lane, Brampton NR10 5HP

The Clerk read out the response to the above Retrospective Planning Application from Martin Thirkettle the planner responsible for this case at BDC, which informed us that the Application was passed with the condition to limit the hours of lighting use from 07.00 until 21.00 hrs. **It was agreed** that the Clerk should reply saying that the Councillors were surprised that tighter recommendations were not enforced to ensure that the lighting installations be adjusted so as not to cause light pollution.

2014/88 Election 2015

The Clerk is to deliver a set of Election Papers to each Councillor. The Chairman is happy to take all the papers in bulk to the Broadland District Council Offices. All Councillors are to make sure that their signature is the same as is shown on the Electoral Roll, and the Clerk is to request the latest Electoral Roll.

2014/89 Dates of 2015/2016 meetings

The list of dates was approved. The Chairman made a suggestion and **it was agreed** that as this is an Election year and the May meeting will normally follow the Annual Parish Meeting, in order to elect the Chairman and Councillors the evening should start with the AGM of the parish Council, which should be suspended whilst the Annual Parish Meeting is held, after which the Parish Council AGM can be resumed.

2014/90 Finance

1. The bank reconciliation was approved and signed
2. **It was agreed** to approve the following payments:
 - £120.00 to Village Hall Management Committee 2 yrs rent (Ch No 100349)
 - £20.00 to Norfolk RCC Annual Subscription (Ch No 100350)
 - £30.00 to NPTP Election training for Clerk (Ch No 100351)
 - £258.72 to M Claridge Wages and Expenses (Ch No 100352)
 - £58.80 to HMRC (Ch No 100353)

2014/91 Correspondence

Correspondence was read out by the Clerk. No action was required.

2014/92 Highways and Footpaths

The Clerk read out the e mail sent from Chris Mayes updating the Council on various highways matters outstanding in the village. The Chairman was concerned with his response regarding the access concerns raised to get materials to Footpath 12 improvement works. As there are still issues with potholes and lorry's **it was agreed that** the Clerk should arrange a site meeting with Chris Mayes to discuss general road problems in the village, including the dangerous stile near the Mermaid river.

There has been a spate of fly tipping around the parish which is getting much worse. Cllr Little recommended looking on the Brampton website and the connection to 'Fix my Street' which links through to the relevant authority. He also mentioned that they had a successful litter pick and had found that litter on the Oxnead Road was especially bad.

2014/93 Late Correspondence and reports from Councillors

The Chairman informed the Councillors about the Brampton and Oxnead Debate that he has arranged to be held on Friday 24th April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall which will feature representatives of the major political parties. Parking is to be arranged

The Clerk read out a message from Jane Coe at NCC informing us that the rate for recycling credits has increased to £53.62 per tonne for the period from April 2015 to March 2016.

The Phone Box is to be cleaned this spring and is to contain the village Book Exchange.

2014/80 Closure of the meeting

The next meeting is to take place on Wednesday May 13th 2015. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm.

NB Following the Chairman's suggestion **it was agreed** that as this is an Election year and the May meeting will normally follow the Annual Parish Meeting, in order to elect the Chairman and Councillors the evening will start with the AGM of the Parish Council, which will then be suspended whilst the Annual Parish Meeting is held, after which the Parish Council AGM will be resumed.

Approved

Date

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