

Brampton and Oxnead Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall, The Street, Brampton
on Wednesday 20th March 2013 at 7.30 pm

Present

Councillors: Stuart Wilson (Chairman), Mark Little, Fiona Scott, Margaret Whiley, Trevor Whiteman and William Youngs

Also in attendance:

Two members of the public

Ros Calvert, Clerk to the Council

2012/94 Apologies – there were none.

A letter of resignation was received from Cllr Jonathan Spinks.

2012/95 Declarations of Interest – there were none

2012/96 Minutes

Minutes of the meetings 9th January and 6th February 2013 were circulated, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record

2012/97 Matters Arising from the Minutes

A letter had been received from Sandy Watt, the Acting Deputy Hospital Manager of The Huntercombe Hospital Norwich (previously known as Rowan House) offering to make links with the Council in the hope that contact would be mutually beneficial. The clerk would make contact with Marsham Parish Council and the Red House Management Committee to arrange future meetings.

Cllr Scott arrived 7.35pm

2012/98 Village Agent

Peter Gallon, Village Agent for Brampton, gave a short talk on the role of Village Agents in identifying rural deprivation, isolation and lack of information in the community and outlining the help they can offer to local residents in accessing services. He explained that this service was funded by Broadland District Council and Norfolk County Council through the Norfolk Rural Community Association. Leaflets were circulated and he urged those present to pass this information on to all members of the community. Details would be put on village noticeboards and on the website. It was noted the Aylsham Care Trust (ACT) were looking at establishing a new bus route via Brampton to and from Aylsham on Friday mornings. This would be advertised locally when established

2012/99 Reports

Were received from the following authorities:

Cllr W Youngs arrived 7.55pm

1. County Council – Cllr David Harrison reported on the enquiry into the incinerator at Kings Lynn, the retirement of the Chief Executive and arrangements for his replacement and on the recent poor OFSTED report on Norfolk Children's Services. He noted that the business plan outlining the proposed development of Coltishall airfield should be ready in June 2013 and that County Council elections would be held on 2nd May 2013
- Cllr M Little arrived 8.05pm
2. District Council – Cllr Barbara Rix reported on the HMP Bure Liaison Committee held on 20th March 2013. She also gave an update on recent activities including those of the Planning Committee, Saffron Housing, the Performance

Management Team which had been disbanded, and applications submitted to the Licencing Committee. She was pleased to report that the Council Tax for 2013-14 had had been held at the 2012-13 rates.

2012/100 Public Participation

It was agreed to adjourn the meeting to take comments from members of the public and Councillors.

2012/101 Planning

There were no planning applications. Cllr Wilson would be attending Planning Training at Broadland in April

2012/102 Highways and Footpaths

Highways

The Highway Ranger report for January had been received. Potholes in Back Lane and The Street had been repaired and following a request by the Clerk roads through the village had been swept.

There was concern that the flood on Mill Road was again dangerously deep and that the situation there had not improved.

Further potholes were identified and would be reported to the Highway Rangers

Footpaths Issues around the route of FP12 had not been resolved. It was reported that the PROW had been obstructed and that Norfolk Constabulary were dealing with a report of damage to property in the area. The Council was waiting for a response from Norfolk County Council to its letter sent in January about this path. Receipt had been acknowledged but it was understood that response had been delayed due to legal proceedings.

2012/103 Recycling Facilities

A glass recycling bank had been installed and the paper bank was on order. It was not clear whether Broadland District Council would cleanse the area as and when required. **It was agreed** that cleaning around the site would be carried out on a voluntary basis and that users should be encouraged to phone the contractor to empty the banks as soon as they appeared to be getting nearly full.

2012/104 Phone box – there had been no further developments

2012/105 Noticeboards

A new noticeboard had been purchased and put on bus shelter. Members had offered to remove the old notice board outside the phone box. The noticeboard on the Village Hall was due to be refurbished. Cllr Scott would deliver the Norfolk County Council map to Cllr Whiteman for refurbishment.

2012/106 Correspondence

Items of correspondence were circulated.

It was agreed the cutting of the grass on the triangle opposite the bus shelter would not be added to the schedule cut by the Council's contractor.

2012/107 Finance

1. The bank reconciliation at 20 March 2013 was approved and signed by the chairman and balances were noted. There was £1,501.01 in the Current Account
2. **It was agreed** to appoint Mr L Mills as internal auditor for 2012-13
3. **It was agreed** to approve the following payments:

£9.67 to Aylsham Town Council (Chq: 100292)
£250.65 to R Calvert (Chq: 100293)
£35.00 to Buxton with Lamas Parish Council (chq: 100294)

2012/108 Meeting dates 2013-14

The following dates were agreed

Parish Meeting

Wednesday 8th May 2013

Parish Council

Wednesday 8th May 2013 - AGM

Wednesday 3rd July 2013

Wednesday 4th September 2013

Wednesday 6th November 2013

Wednesday 8th January 2014

Wednesday 5th March 2014

2012/109 Late Correspondence and Reports from Councillors

Cllr Wilson had attended an Emergency Planning workshop and requested that this be discussed at the next meeting.

2012/110 Closure of the Meeting

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.49 pm

Approved

Date