

BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

9th MARCH 2010

At the annual meeting of the Brampton Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Brampton on Tuesday 9th March 2010 the following members were present

Mr. S. Wilson - Chairman
Mr. J. Spinks
Mrs. F. Scott
Mr. P. Knaapen
Mr. W. Spinks
Mr. W. Youngs

In attendance :

Mr. L. Mills – Clerk of the Council ; Mrs. B. Rix – District Councillor, and two members of the public

010/001 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

The Chairman of the Council, Mr S Wilson, occupied the Chair and invited nominations for the appointment of Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

It was RESOLVED that Mr S Wilson be re-elected Chairman of the Council.

010/002 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN

Mr S Wilson signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman of the Council in the presence of the Clerk of the Council and thanked members for his re-appointment.

010/003 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

010/004 APOLOGIES

Received from Mr. G. Riseborough, PCSO T. Frost

010/005 MINUTES

Having been circulated to all members the following minutes were confirmed and signed by the Chairman:
3rd November 2009; 26th January 2010.

010/006 FOOTPATH AT BRAMPTON ISLAND

It was agreed to bring this item forward to facilitate discussion with Mr and Mrs Dixon.

The Chairman updated the meeting as to the situation.

Mr Dixon was invited to address the meeting.

He confirmed he will be objecting when the order is made. He believes that the old path was never maintained, and that the Parish Council had not asked for it to be maintained.

There then followed a general discussion regarding the matter.

The Chairman promised the Parish Council will do all it can to provide any relevant information to Mr Dixon.

Mr Dixon promised to keep the route open in the meantime.

At this point Mr and Mrs Dixon left the meeting.

010/006 MATTERS ARISING

There was discussion regarding the number of potholes on the roads after the bad weather this winter. A list would be compiled and sent to NCC.

ACTION
CHAIRMAN
CLERK

010/007 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Chairman of the Council invited nominations for the appointment of Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

It was RESOLVED that Mr J Spinks be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

010/008 PLANNING

No planning applications had been received since the last meeting.

010/009 PAYMENTS

There were no accounts for payment.

010/010 BUS SHELTER

ACTION

The Council considered the recent damage and the state of the sign.

As a matter of urgency and safety Council agreed that Mr J Spinks to approach local business to make safe and replace with laminated glass.

J.SPINKS

It was suggested that HMP Bure may be looking for projects to do. The Clerk to approach HMP Bure to find out if this is so.

CLERK

010/011 TELEPHONE BOX

The Chairman reported that BT had not repaired the box. The broken glass had been removed but not replaced. It was agreed that the Council will not buy it until it has been properly repaired.

010/012 NOTICEBOARD

ACTION

The Village Hall noticeboard is in a bad state of disrepair. The Clerk to ask HMP Bure when he contacts them re the Bus Shelter sign.

CLERK

At this point County Councillor Mr D Harrison joined the meeting.

010/013 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Mrs Rix reported on a proposed wind turbine at Coltishall along with the possibility of more industry moving to the area.

In January Mrs Rix had attended the following meetings: Aylsham Forum, and the HMP Bure liaison meeting in January, Ecotown business meeting and SNAP meeting in February.

010/014 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Mr Harrison reported that though the NCC precept will be raised next year, no provision had been made to cover the extra damage to roads over this winter.

As health and social services are his main responsibility Mr Harrison could report that 'bed locking' at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital was much improved, and that NCC were looking to trial greater integration of health and social services.

Developments at Aylsham Hospital are still controversial: as the 'Care in the Community' is still not working yet the hospital must remain open.

Recent work at Aylsham Town Hall has left it looking 'wonderful'.

NDR: the government had promised to fund this but no money has yet been forthcoming.

Norwich Unitary decision: 'worst of all options'.

010/015 CLERK'S REPORT

ACTION

Minutes: it was agreed that the minutes should contain 'action' points so it would be easier to keep track of outstanding and completed matters.

Bank Mandate: these had been completed and returned to Barclays Bank

Finance: it was confirmed that Cawston Parish Council would invoice Brampton Parish Council for stationery, printing and broadband access on a pro rata basis. Brampton Parish Council would also consider any training costs for the Clerk on an individual basis.

010/015 CLERK'S REPORT(cont.)

Grit bins: NCC had replied regarding the list of bins they fill. Their list consisted of four bins. Clerk to confirm the existence of the bin at the Village Hall, and of the Council's wish to install a new one near the **CLERK** Red House Cottages.

Delegated powers: the clerk reported he had met Mr Jamie Henry of BDC who explained the system to him

010/016 VILLAGE HALL

ACTION

Mr Knaapen reported that the hall had been assessed and failed for fire safety. The wiring needs to be tested and the emergency lighting must be regularly checked.

Mr Knaapen had therefore drawn up a draft version of a system and log.

P. KNAAPEN

He will send it to the Chairman who will distribute it by email to all members

CHAIRMAN

Members will have two weeks to consider, comment and make suggestions. When they are all happy with it Mr Knaapen will present it to the Fire Service Officer.

Mr Youngs updated the Council on plans for new Village Hall. The architects will soon be surveying church and measuring present hall. They will then provide various outline plans and costs for discussion.

Mrs Scott reported that the Village Hall Club had reformed and would be holding a Quiz Night on Saturday 20th March. Entrance £5 includes bangers and mash.

It was agreed that the Council would pay £10 per meeting for the use of the Village Hall (payable annually, in advance.) Emergency meetings could be held without charge.

The Clerk will take over trying to set up a bank account for the Village Hall trustees.

CLERK

010/017 CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman asked that the correspondence box should be sent to councillors two weeks before a meeting. Emergency plan needs approval.

010/018 DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 8th June at the Village Hall, Brampton at 8pm

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 21.45

Chairman

Date