

# Brampton and Oxnead Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Annual General Meeting held in the Village Hall, The  
Street, Brampton  
On Thursday 12th July 2018 at 7.30 pm

## **Present**

Councillors:

Mark Little (ML) (Chairman), Jon Sawyer-Stone (JSS) (Vice Chairman), Maggie  
Whiley (MW), Trevor Whiteman (TW), Jo Buchanan (JB)

Also in attendance:

Maggie Claridge, Clerk to the Council

2 members of the public

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**2018/19 Apologies** - Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Barbara  
Rix and County Cllr David Harrison and Cllr Laura Woods

**2018/20 Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Buchanan declared an interest in Item  
7 on the Agenda regarding Planning App 20181060

**2018/21 Minutes** - Minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 were  
circulated, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record

**2018/22 Matters Arising from the Minutes** - there were none

**2018/23 Reports-** There were no reports from Cllrs Rix and Harrison as they  
were both involved in a joint meeting of Broadland and South Norfolk District Councils.

Cllr Sawyer-Stone gave his police report update and while there were some minor  
issues to report he said they were nothing to be concerned about.

Huntercombe Hospital is still not operational again after its closure.

**2018/24 Public Participation - It was agreed** to adjourn the meeting to take  
comments from members of the public and Councillors. There were no questions but  
Neil Buchanan was present and able to answer questions about the Planning  
Application.

**2018/25 Planning** - A planning Application had been received from Mr J Briscoe  
**Planning Application No 20181060:**

Description: Change of Use from Agricultural to Storage and Distribution

Location: Brampton Hall Farm, The Street, Brampton NR10 5HW

The building was formerly an agricultural store before becoming an aircraft hangar /workshop. It was then taken over by Brampton resident Neil Buchanan who has been running an internet business from the barn.

The Planning Application is retrospective and reflects an operation that commenced on site in 2011.

The general view of the Council is that it supports businesses operating in the village but the potential problems with the increased traffic to and from unit need to be carefully addressed.

Councillors agreed to support the Planning Consent but with restrictions applied. These would relate to access routes and site signage.

Mr Buchanan offered to do anything he can to alleviate the problem with vehicles by putting up directional signs as and where needed. Although this is not directly a planning issue it was suggested that a memorandum of agreement was drawn up in order to record this arrangement and to work to a common purpose of attempting to reduce the numbers of related HGV vehicle movement along the village's unsuitable lanes.

**2018/26 Finance-** The bank reconciliation was approved and receipts were noted. **It was agreed** to approve the following payments:

£40.00 to Information Commissioner (Ch No 100447)

£56.70 to URM (UK) Ltd (Ch NO 100448)

£78.00 to Brampton St Peters PCC (Ch No 100449)

£60.00 to Brampton Village Hall Committee (Ch No 100450)

£397.56 to M Claridge (Ch No 100451)

**2018/27 Correspondence-** The Clerk had received an e mail from Cllr Sawyer-Stone saying that the Kiosk has been painted with help from villagers working under 'The Good Gym'. As it was being painted several people stopped to ask what it would be used for and were pleased to hear about the defibrillator idea. Cllr Sawyer-Stone informed Council that he has been in touch with the Heart Foundation. Other village residents are keen to hold a fund-raising 'Brampton Family Picnic' on September 1<sup>st</sup>. They already have pledges in excess of £200. The electricity power supply to the kiosk still needs to be identified. The Chairman asked if Council agreed that they would also like to see the kiosk used as a 'Book Swap Library'. **It was agreed** that this should be included as there was room for it as well as the defibrillator.

Cllr Sawyer-Stone agreed to continue with the application to the Heart Foundation.

The Clerk read out a message she had received by e mail from John Gubb, a former resident of Brampton. He has a collection of papers and family diaries and wondered if snippets could be used on the Brampton parish website. Cllr Buchanan is aware of the collection and is keen to use them as a History project with her class at school, so

she took the Clerks paper copies of the emails and agreed to contact Mr Gubb herself. **It was agreed** that the contents of the collection of papers and diaries would be of more interest to the fledgling Local History Society than to the Parish Council.

### **2018/28 Highways and Footpaths-**

**Passing Places Scheme:** The Clerk informed Council that she had heard from Chris Mayes and was told that our scheme was not high priority as it was not 'seasonally dependant' and would therefore start at the earliest in September- October. Council disagreed with this and said that this would be the time when the sugar-beet lorries would be transporting vast tonnage of sugar beet on the roads. **It was agreed** that the Clerk is to contact Chris Mayes asking him to bring the start date forward.

**Village Gateway Entrance features- It was agreed** that the Clerk is to invite a representative out from Glasdon's, the company who supply Village Gateway features. Cllr Sawyer -Stone agreed to be present at the meeting in order to get the ball rolling with ideas for designs and prices. The bid can then be put in for further funding from the NCC Parish Partnership scheme. As several other parish local Parish Council's have had Gateway signs fitted recently it was agreed that the Clerk should contact Felthorpe Parish Clerk for guidance and advice.

**Footpaths –** Two Councillors asked if the Clerk could contact NCC to get the FP 12 cut back as it was overgrown. The Clerk informed Council that she had walked it earlier in the week and that there was a path cleared, although the grass was long on either side of the path.

The Clerk had been in touch with Barbara Hornbrook at BDC about the crack in the top of the railway bridge parapet coping. Mrs Hornbrook advised the Clerk that the bridge had been inspected and was perfectly safe. The damage to the parapet had been from a tree that had fallen on it.

**2018/29 Late Correspondence-** The Chairman asked that once the kiosk is finalised could Council move on to considering the improvement works on the Bus Shelter as it is in need of a tidy-up.

### **2018/30 Closure of Meeting and refer as appropriate to next meeting**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.56pm. the next meeting will be held on September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm

Approved

Date