## **Brampton and Oxnead Parish Council**

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Held in the Village Hall

#### **Present**

Councillors:

Mark Little (ML), Gary Bean (GB) Trevor Whiteman (TW), Beth Child (BC)

Also in attendance:

Maggie Claridge (Clerk to the Council)

2023/49 Apologies - Apologies were received from Cllr KL. Cllr Goodman and Cllr Riley did not attend. We still have two vacancies for Councillors.

2023/50 Declarations of Interest- there were none

2023/51 Minutes - Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 were circulated, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record

2023/52 Matters Arising from the Minutes -There were none

2023/53 Adjournment- There were no members of the Public present.

#### 2023/54 Reports-

County Cllr Steve Riley was not present.

District Cllr Mark Goodman was not present.

Cllr Gary Bean Crime report: A small number of petty crimes were reported.

It was agreed that the Clerk is to research when the local SNAP meetings are held in Aylsham and the Clerk is to invite PC Lucas Ward to attend our March 13<sup>th</sup> PC meeting as he was unable to be with us this evening.

Cllr Beth Child Brampton Village Hall: the Committee had successful events over the Christmas and New Year holiday. Several groups are using the Village Hall on a regular basis and more are planned.

Renovation work is still due to start on the Village Hall in January 2024.

2023/55 Planning there were no Planning applications.

### 2023/56 Finance-

- a) The bank reconciliation was approved and signed
- b) It was agreed to approve the following payments:

Clerks Salary & exp 405.65 Garden Guardian Ltd 592.80 HMRC 84.80

c) The Budget was agreed and signed

- d) The Parish Precept was agreed and signed. The Clerk will scan and send the document to BDC.
- e) The Clerk read out a message sent by KL (who was on holiday) covering areas where she thought money could be well spent in upgrading and improving the village

#### 2023/57 Highway & Footpath Matters

**It was agreed** that a pothole repair plan will be created and sent in to the Rangers so they can fill them on their next visit. The Street is looking in a poor state with lots of pot holes that require filling.

**It was agreed** that the Clerk report the Mermaid steps up to the BVR railway line which are in a bad state of repair, as well as asking for the white railings leading up to Oxnead Bridge to be repaired and repainted. The brambles have been cleared from around the posts.

### 2023/58 Late Correspondence

A discussion was held about defibrillators in the village. The first one has been installed in the former telephone kiosk and is up and running. **It was agreed** that the Clerk is to ask J S-S if there have been any costs incurred with the running of the de-fib. There is a locally raised fund which will provide for another defibrillator to be fitted to the front wall of the Village Hall. The electricity supply can be fitted to accommodate this when the village hall improvements are in progress. A third defibrillator is planned for outside Cllr TW's house for residents of the former Red House area.

and refer as appropriate to next meeting 13 03 2024

2023/59 Closure of Meeting: There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.21pm.

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