

Braunston Parish Council

Meeting held in the Village Hall on
Monday 6th July 2009
Minutes

Present

In the Chair: Janet McCarthy

Mesdames: Boniface, Brewster, Fitzhugh, Frost, Longworth

Messrs: Canning, Chamberlain, Herlihy, Potter, Prat.

Apologies for absence: None.

09.07.01 **Open forum for Members of the Public**

Janet McCarthy left the meeting

Mr Groves gave a small presentation in support of his planning application for the Old Methodist Church. The main changes from the previous application were the alteration of the plans for the front of the building.

It was decided to decide on application DA/09/0439 at this point, the Parish Council decided that they supported the application.

Janet McCarthy returned to the meeting

09.07.02 **Declaration of Interest**

Planning –

Janet McCarthy sits on the District Planning Committee and also declares a personal non prejudicial interest as a member of the Village Hall Committee.

John Potter – Planning Application for Top Lock, John is a neighbour.

09.07.03 **Approval of Last Meetings Minutes (1st June)**

It was proposed by Tina Fitzhugh, seconded by Andrew Canning and carried that these be accepted.

09.07.04 **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Election of New Councillor

The clerk advised that the required notices for the vacancy had been posted and that DDC had advised that no election was called; therefore the Parish Council could co-opt a councillor. It was agreed that an advert would be placed in the BVN and a sub committee of Janet, Kelley, John and the clerk would interview all candidates.

Churchyard

The Clerk, Janet McCarthy and Peter Dickinson (Church Warden) meet with Rachael Booth (DDC Conservation Officer) to discuss her requirements for the planning applications already submitted. A series of requirements were given and Peter agreed to obtain revised quotes on these requirements. Once these were received a further meeting would be held to discuss.

Peter also agreed to go back to the PCC with regard the plaques for the Yew Trees.

09.07.05 **Finance Report**

The clerk presented the financial report and it was proposed by Ann Frost, seconded by Louis Prat and carried that these be accepted.

09.07.06 **Churchyard**

The clerk had received a complaint via the Church Warden with regard to some damage caused to a gravestone by the mowing contractor. No details were given so could not be taken further although clerk did pass on to the contractor for information and training purposes.

09.07.07 **Highways**

The following issues were reported: -

- Speeding on Ashby Road. It was agreed to post the Speedwatch posters

- Large Potholes at Barby Road

The clerk had received a quotation of £750 plus VAT for provision of 5 road signs, it was proposed by Louis Prat, seconded by Kelly Brewster and carried that this money be spent.

The clerk reported that MSWG had relaunched the Parish Enhancement scheme, it was agreed that the Parish Council would ask for the Barby Road grips to be done.

09.07.08

Jettyfields

Pat reported that the opening event had been a great success and would like to pass on his committees thanks to all those who have helped. Final accounts are being organised so that the grant administration can be finalised.

Pat also reported that he was awaiting confirmation with regard to grazing by the sheep.

09.07.09

Neighbourhood Watch & Police

No reports this month, the clerk agreed to chase the Police for attendance at the next Parish Council meeting although he had now received some correspondence from PC Kevin Thompson.

09.07.10

Playing Fields

Louis reported that the following: -

- ~ he wished to use a different inspection company next year
- ~ purchased 3 new tables for inside the pavilion
- ~ Tea and Cake afternoon were financially profitable but sparsely attended.
- ~ A unit was rotting on the Multiplay – the clerk suggested using Wharf House
- ~ he had visited an exhibition at Stoneleigh

Janet also reported that she was revisiting the 1 in a million bid and will make a report to the next Playing Field meeting.

09.07.11

Village Hall

Kelly reported that the Village Hall had had two more windows vandalised

09.07.12

Village Maintenance

A list of tasks were discussed and are in the maintenance book

09.07.13

Youth Club

Ann reported the following: -

- ~ Meeting on the 1st June was held but with only 1 family in addition to normal helpers.
- ~ It has been agreed that a review of the Youth Club will be held over the summer especially in light of the fact that the chairman would like to step down.
- ~ numbers are still around 25
- ~it was suggested that PC Thompson be approached as it was originally Scott Bennett who restarted the Youth Club.

09.07.14

Items for Circulations

Have been distributed

09.07.15

Accounts for Payment

It was proposed by John Potter, seconded by Paul Chamberlain and carried that these amounts be paid.

09.07.16

Planning

Janet McCarthy left the meeting

09.07.17

DA/2009/0431 Top Lock Cottage 160, Dark Lane, Braunston, Northamptonshire, NN11 7HJ

The Parish Council support this application.

09.07.18

DA/2009/0451 11, High Street, Braunston, Northamptonshire, NN11 7HR
The Parish Council support this application.

Approved