

BRETBY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH MEETING HELD
MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2016 AT 7:30pm
IN THE WRAGG ROOM, ST WYSTANS, BRETBY

Present: Cllr M Falder (Chairman), Cllr M Bridges, Cllr S Toone, Cllr G Corner, Cllr L Meyrick

In Attendance: Mrs J Storer – Clerk
District Cllr P Smith (from 7:48pm)

16/179 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mrs Chilton and Cllr M Stanton. As a quorum was established, the Chairman commenced the meeting.

16/180 Variation of Order of Business

There was no alteration to the variation of the order of business.

16/181 Declaration of Interests:

No declaration of interests were given.

16/182 Public Speaking

a) Members of the Public and Council to comment on any matter

There were no members of the public present.

b) Police, County Council and District Council members to raise any relevant matter

Police

No representatives from the police were present.

District & County Council

The Clerk read out Cllr Chilton's report. No comments were made.

c) Parish Council Members declaring an interest other than Disclosable Pecuniary Interest wishing to make representation

No representations were made

16/183 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26th September 2016,

These were circulated, read, approved and signed as a correct record by Cllr Falder.

16/184 To determine which items if any, should be taken with the public excluded.

No items were deemed necessary to be taken with the public excluded.

16/185 Co-option of Parish Councillors

There has been no interest shown in the two vacancies. The Council considered that a representative from Bretby Hall would be a good addition to the Council.

16/186 To receive the Chairman's Announcements

a) The Chairman reported that the noticeboard has been erected. (Min 15/83b).

b) The road surface around the speed humps on Bretby Lane is crumbling (Min 16/145b) but no action has yet been taken. In addition there is a large pothole outside 55 Bretby Lane has been repaired (Min 16/145b).

c) The loose drain cover on the A511 has been repaired.

RESOLVED the Clerk was instructed to inform DCC and request for urgent repairs to be undertaken.

- d) DCC has still not collected the temporary flood warning signs which were erected during the June floods.
- e) The road signs have not been cleaned by DCC (Min 16/158c)
- f) Following the head on collision at Knights Lane, after the last meeting, the Clerk wrote to DCC requesting the installation of white lines along the centre of Knights Lane. No responses has been received. Cllr Toone reported that Cllr Chilton at the Repton Forum, had agreed to take up the matter of accidents along Knights Lane as well. RESOLVED given the volume of traffic along Knights Lane, this Parish Council feels that it is justified for white lines to be installed along Knights Lane.
- g) The Chairman has received a report of youths cutting across the golf course; using it as a short cut. No further reports have been received.

16/187 To receive the Report of the Clerk

The Clerk's report as previously circulated was accepted with no further comments. The Clerk had circulated information about solar powered defibrillators; these were considered unsuitable for this Parish. An alternative suggested location was to be included within the kiosk or at the entrance of the Garden Centre. RESOLVED to make enquiries with the Garden Centre and with the Ambulance Service about possible locations for a defibrillator.

16/188 Governance

No governance items were raised.

16/189 Brethby Drains

Cllr Chilton's report informed that no progress has been to remedy the drainage issues at Brethby Lane. The problem of poor drainage is being exasperated in the immediate area as gardens are being removed and laid to stone or tarmac. The Parish Council expressed its dissatisfaction at the continual lack of progress and that other areas in the district have taken priority over this Parish. Cllr Toone will contact Cllr Chilton about the lack of progress.

16/190 Correspondence

1. DALC – Various circulars
2. SDDC – LDP Part 2
3. SDDC – Notification of BT kiosks to be removed.
4. Clerks & Councils Direct – latest magazine
5. The National Forest – notification that the project is 25 years old this year

The items of correspondence were noted.
7:48pm Cllr Smith arrived.

16/191 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

The following accounts were passed for payment

000454	Mrs J Storer – expenses	£32.55
000455	DCC – Pension contribution (Nov)	£32.90
000456	DCC – Pension contribution (Dec)	£32.90
000457	HMRC – Clerk's tax (Nov)	£30.40
000458	HMRC – Clerk's tax (Dec)	£30.40
RESOLVED Using the Chairman's allowance to make the following payment		
000459	RBL – Poppy wreath	£50.00
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for November	£XXX

(b) Money Received

Deposit interest (Aug)	£0.13
Deposit interest (Sept)	£0.12
Deposit interest (Oct)	£0.13

© Risk Assessment

There are no recommended changes to the risk assessment

(d) Requests for funding via S137

No requests have been made.

(e) Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk reported that it is good practice for the Parish Council to review the bank reconciliations to ensure that there are no unauthorised transactions occurring. The bank reconciliation for the period ending 31st October 2016 was presented to the meeting for review and signing.

(f) Consideration of the budget for 2017/18

The Clerk had previously circulated the draft budget for Cllrs consideration. Cllrs were very concerned about the possibility of “capping” of the precept and of the possible implications on the future viability of the Parish Council whilst prices continue to rise.

The draft budget was reviewed and it was proposed that a 2% increase in the precept, would create a break-even budget. It was agreed that a break-even budget should be set pending clarification on the results of the latest consultation on the possibility of capping of Parish councils’ precepts.

16/192 To consider Planning Applications

No planning applications have been received.

16/193 Consultations

a) SDDC – Local Plan – Part 2; deadline for responses is 7th December 2016.

There was no reference made to the Parish in the document and Cllrs had no observations to make.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders

Cllr Smith commented that it is unlikely that many houses will be built in the parish as the supply of housing within the district can be met from other allocated sites within the district. He explained that only small developments would be permitted in the district, this being a maximum of 15 properties per application.

The Chairman returned to Standing Orders.

16/194 Items for information only

(a) Reports from Meetings attended

Flood Liaison Meeting at SDDC – 2nd November 2016 at 10am

DCC and Parish Council Liaison Meeting – 31st October 2016 6pm – 8pm at County Offices, Matlock

Area and Safer Neighbourhood Forum – 10th October 2016 at Barrow upon Trent Village Hall

Cllr Toone reported that he had raised both flooding and speeding traffic at both of the meetings.

Basics of Planning and Planning Enforcement – 5th October 2016 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber at South Derbyshire District Council.

- (b) Notification of Forthcoming meetings
No notifications of meetings have been received.
- (c) Parish Cllrs Reports
The bin collection timetables have run out. It was explained that SDDC was awaiting information as to the possibility to include tetrapacks within the recycling collection. This has not materialised, the timetable is on the District Council's website and timetables will be delivered to households with the next bin collections.

It was noted that the grass verges in parts of the Parish had been mown by SDDC last week. It was reported that this was as a result of complaints received from around the district about the quality, scheduling and quantity of cuts undertaken this summer. Cllrs failed to understand why the cut had been undertaken so late in the season and how effective the additional cut has been.

16/195 Future Agenda Items

Bretby Lane drains
Draft budget 2017/2018

16/178 Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 23rd January 2017 at 7.30pm at St Wystan's Church.
There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8;28pm.