

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF BRINDLE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 8TH OCTOBER 2018
AT THE COMMUNITY HALL
WATER STREET BRINDLE.
PRESENT:-**

**COUNCILLOR D. CRANSHAW (CHAIRMAN) COUNCILLOR D. METCALFE
(VICE CHAIRMAN) - COUNCILLORS J. BALDWIN, MRS S. LONG, DR. P.
McGOVERN AND J. SWANN.**

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:- TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

4486. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors C. Hindle, W. Nelson and Mrs B. Robinson.

4487. CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL:

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) indicated that Mr. Harkness had served as Clerk for 35 years.

4488. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST:

The Clerk reminded Members of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters on the agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. No one made a declaration at this stage.

4489. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 20th August 2018 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**4490. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:
THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT REFERRED TO THE
FOLLOWING MATTERS.**

SPEED RESTRICTION:

A Member of the Public referred to the lack of speed restrictions on Sandy Lane, Smithy Lane and Top th Lane and in particular the knock on effect of the introduction of speed limits in other local areas on the roads in the Parish.

Resolved:- That the Council Council be asked to consider the introduction of speed limits on parts of Sandy Lane, in Smithy Lane and at Top oth Lane.

REDUNDANT STREET SIGNS:

A Member of the Public referred to the street litter arising from the number of street signs left by workmen following completion of repair work.

Resolved:- That the County Council be asked to remove any redundant street signs left in the Parish.

CYCLISTS:

A Member of the Public referred to the increased use of parish roads by road racing pedal cyclists.

Resolved;- That the concern be noted.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION:

A Member of the Public referred to the practice of parents who sat in their cars with the engine running and on mobile phones at school opening and closing times.

This issue had been brought to the attention of County Councillor Snowden.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

AS NO OTHER MATTERS WERE RAISED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.

4491. POLICE LIAISON:

(A) Newsletter:

The police did not attend the meeting.

It was noted that traffic increased in Holt Lane and Sandy Lane in the early evening. The vehicles appeared to be going to Denham Quarry where suspected drug use was taking place.

The police had in the past monitored the situation and a prosecution had taken place.

Resolved:- That the police be asked investigate the issue again.

(B) CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:

The Clerk circulated a copy of the latest consumer alerts from the County Council's Trading Standards Officer.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

4492. COMMUNITY HALL:

A report was presented on current activities.

Reference was also made to the publicity regarding Centenary Field.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) and Councillor Mrs S. Long declared personal and non prejudicial interests in this matter in respect of being a

representatives of the Parish Council on the Community Hall Management Committee.

4493. LALC Report:

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that the LALC AGM would be held on 17th November 2018 at Howick House Penwortham.

Delegates had been appointed at the last meeting.

Notification of the County Council's Parish and Town Council Conference to be held on 24th November was circulated.

Resolved:- That the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) be appointed the Parish Council's delegate to the Parish and Town Council conference on 24th November 2018.

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) declared an interest in this matter being Vice Chairman of the Association).

4494. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

(A). FLOODING:

There were currently no reports of flooding.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

(B). DOVER LANE/DUXON HILL:

A report on the current situation in respect of the clearing of ditches at Dover Lane Windmill Lane and Duxon Hill was made.

Resolved:- That County Councillor Snowden be informed.

(C). PIPPIN STREET:

It was understood that the obstruction had been removed.

The closure of the entrance to the bridleway opposite Pippin Fold was being investigated by the Footpaths Officer.

Resolved:- That the County Council be asked for an update on the apparent closure of the bridleway.

(D). STILES:

It was reported that there had been no progress on the repair of the stiles.

Resolved:- That the Clerk ascertain the current position.

(E). TOP OTH LANE - ROAD SURFACE:

Some work had been done to potholes at the intersection between Denham Lane and Holt Lane and at the bend after Hough House Farm on Holt Lane.

Resolved:- That the Clerk ascertain the position with regard to any further work.

(F). HILLHOUSE LANE - RESURFACING:

It was reported that some line markings in Hillhouse Lane had been repainted.

Resolved:- That the County Council be requested to carry out any remaining line markings work.

(G). SMITHY LANE - STREET NAMEPLATE:

It was reported that the street nameplate had been replaced however, the supports were deteriorating and required attention.

Resolved:- That Chorley Council be asked to carry out any repair work.

(H). OVERGROWN HEDGE - PIPPIN STREET/SMITHY LANE:

It was reported that the hedge at the junction of Pippin Street and Smithy Lane was overgrown and was a traffic hazard.

Resolved:- That the County Council be informed.

(I). MARSH LANE - ROAD SURFACE:

It was reported that some work had been carried out but further repairs were required.

Resolved:- That the County Council be asked for an update.

(J). FOOTPATH 41:

This matter was currently under investigation by the County Council.

Resolved:- That further developments be awaited.

(K). COMMUNITY ISSUES - BOURNES ROW:

Following the discussion at the last meeting arrangements were being made with County Councillor Snowden, the police the schools and local residents for a meeting to discuss the concerns regarding traffic problems on Bournes Row.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

(L). RECYCLING OF PLASTIC:

Following the request at the last meeting for information regarding recycling the Clerk circulated a response from Chorley Council.

It was also reported that following a recent hedge cutting exercise the debris had been brushed away.

Resolved: That the reports be noted.

4495. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:

The Parish Council received an update on the electoral review of ward boundaries in Chorley.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

4496. PLANNING REPORT:

(A) Decision:

The Clerk reported planning permission had been granted for development in Sandy Lane.

Resolved:- That the decision be noted.

(B). Applications:

The Clerk reported that applications for development of properties in Back Lane and at Bournesfield had been made since the last meeting.

Details had been circulated to all Members a comment was made regarding the property in Bournesfield and this would be reported to Chorley Council.

No observations had been made regarding the property in Back Lane, this would be reported to Chorley Council.

Resolved:- That the action proposed be agreed.

The Vice Chairman (Councillor D. Metcalfe) declared an interest in the application at Back Lane and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

(C). BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN - CALL FOR SITES:

A consultation document was submitted from the Blackburn with Darwen Council inviting the Parish Council to identify sites in the area for possible future development.

Resolved:- That Blackburn with Darwen Council be informed that the Parish Council does not consider there are any sites for development in this area.

(D). COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY:

The Clerk reported the half year statement regarding the levy. A sum of £47.36 was payable to the Parish Council.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

4497. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment.

1. Community Hall	Hire of Room October 2018	£20.00
2. A. Harkness	Salary and Expenses Quarter ended 30th June 2018.	£973.84
3. HMRC	Tax on Salary and expenses	£258.02
4. A. Harkness	Stationery and Equipment	£66.00
5. D. Metcalfe	Website Renewal	£110.23.

4498. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT- LETTERS OF THANKS:

The Clerk reported letters of thanks from Brindle Voice,BOFFs Brindle Gardening Club and Brindle Show for the grants made to them by The Parish Council.

Resolved:- That the letters of thanks be noted.

4499. SHUTTLINGFIELDS TRUST:

The Clerk reported the Writer had now arranged for the closure of the Natwest Account and had informed the Parish Council by letter that the funds be transferred to the Parish Council's current account.This had been done and an amount of £1397.30 had been paid in.

The Parish Council considered arrangements for the disposal of the funds to the schools as previously agreed. It was suggested that that the funds be rounded up to £1500.00 so that each school would receive the same amount.

The Clerk would notify the Charities Commission that the Trust had been wound up and arrange for the Trust information to be lodged with the County Archivist.

Resolved:- (1) That the Writer be thanked for his assistance in securing the closure of the account and the action proposed be agreed.

(2) That cheques amounting to £500.00 each be signed for distribution to the three schools.

4500. PARISH POUND:

The Chairman (Councillor D.Cranshaw) reported the outcome of a meeting with a representative from Chorley Council and informed the Parish Council of the action currently being undertaken.

It was suggested that volunteers be sought regarding the establishment of a Friends of the Pound Group.

It was also reported that the maintenance work had been completed at a cost of £85.00.

Resolved:- (1) That an advertisement be placed in Brindle Voice seeking volunteers regarding the formation of a Friends of the Pound Group.

(2) That D.Savage be thanked for the work carried out at the Parish Pound and a cheque for £85.00 was signed.

4501. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:

The Clerk reported that he had received an invitation from the Brindle St. James Parochial Church Council inviting the Parish Council to attend the Remembrance Day Service at the Parish Church of St. James on Sunday 11th November 2018 at 10.45 a.m.

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The Clerk also submitted an invitation from the Mayor of Chorley for representatives of the Parish Council to attend the Remembrance Day Service in Chorley.

Resolved: - That the invitation from Brindle St. James be accepted, that a wreath be purchased to be laid at the Memorial to the Fallen by the Vice Chairman (Councillor D. Metcalfe) on behalf of the Parish Council and that the wording on the wreath be as follows "In memory of all in the Parish who gave their lives."

4502. PARISH PLAN - BRINDLE VILLAGE SIGNS:

The Clerk reported the current situation regarding the provision of Welcome to Brindle Signs.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

4503. SILENT SOLDIER CAMPAIGN:

The Parish Church had agreed to the site the silent soldier silhouette in the Church.

Resolved:- That the Parish Church be thanked for this.

4504. LIAISON COMMITTEE:

The Clerk reported that the next meeting had been postponed .

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

4505. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION - RESULTS:

The Clerk referred to the 2018 Best Kept Village Competition.

The Clerk had asked for a copy of the Judges report.

Resolved: - That the report be awaited.

4506. EQUALITY FORUM:

The Clerk reported on the meeting of the Equality Forum held on 17th September 2018.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

4507. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 12th November 2018 at 7.30 p.m. at the Community Hall Water Street Brindle.

There being no further business the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) declared the meeting closed at 8.10. p.m.

SIGNED

**CHAIRMAN
12TH NOVEMBER 2018.**