BRADFIELD ST. GEORGE PARISH COUNCI MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 6th JANUARY 2016

Present: Cllrs P Squirrell (Chairman), C Croot, G Mulley & Mrs M Bottomley (Clerk). B Cllr Mrs S Mildmay-White, C Cllr T Clements (arrived 7.50 p.m.) 3 villagers

Apologies: Cllr Mrs C Stainer

Public Forum - Villager spoke on Planning application 2332/15: change of use.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mulley - Item 7 (a) Finance - Village Hall

DISPENSATIONS - None

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 11th NOVEMBER 2015

It was resolved that the minutes of the parish council meeting held on the 11th Novemberr 2015, be approved as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Croot, seconded by Cllr Squirrell – all in favour.

The meeting recessed for the next item.

REPORTS

Borough Councillor – verbal report provided. Things were very quiet at present. Very close to signing an agreement on the start of the new relief road; further public consultation to invite other sites for Holllow Road:- dates given. Consultation ends 19th February.

County Councillor – spoke of some outstanding SCC Highways matters. Consultation on future of Suffolk Fire & Rescue Service; Broadband update; Sugar Smart; Key stage 2 update on performance – full report attached.

Further discussion regarding planning application 2332/15.

Village Hall – another village hall evening still made a profit. List of dates booked this year for various weekends and evenings looks very good.

Police – no crimes since the last meeting. Information and advice given when involved in a road traffic collision or when another person involved is not injured. Full report attached

PLANNING

2332/15 Solstice House, Felsham Road: change of use from retail to a wellness centre with private living accommodation above and change of use of former letting rooms (outbuilding) to beauticians/hairdressers/therapists.
PC comment: reject (proposed by Cllr Squirrell, seconded by Cllr Croot - all in favour.)

FINANCE

450 **Cheques for payment** – It was proposed by Cllr Squirrell, seconded by Cllr Croot that the following cheques for January be issued. All in favour.

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599	BSG Village Hall (hire)	£ 20.00		
600	Clerk (expenses)	£ 42.37		

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601	Post office (tax)		£122.00
602	Sarah Place (services Inv 2296)		£ 30.00
603	Vertas (Ground Maintenance Inv.9176498)		£ 66.00
604	SALC (subs)		£162.00
S/O	Personnel	(December/January)	£325.04

Current account £8,936.06 Deposit £4,390.60 Interest £1.68

- 451 Internal Control form duly completed
- 452 **Precept 2016/2017** papers had been duly circulated for councillor consideration of the draft budget. No changes were made and Cllr Squirrell proposed a precept of £5,500 (including the grant allocation) Seconded by Cllr Croot all in favour.

<u>ALLOTMENT UPDATE</u> – defer to March meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Broadband/web facilities – discussed and the meeting agreed to proceed. Cllr Croot provided further information on three options available and members agreed on the two year UK package. Proposed by Cllr Squirrell seconded by Cllr Croot – all in favour.

Village Hall broadband – this would cost £38 per month along with the line rental for a two year contract. It had been discussed and agreed with the VHMC. Proposed by Cllr Squirrell, seconded by Cllr Mulley – all in favour. Cllr Croot to proceed utilising the parish council's name.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 2nd March 2016.

The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.