

BRADFIELD ST. GEORGE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 14th JULY 2021

Present: Cllrs P Squirrell (Chairman), C Stainer, A Therin & C Croot.
C Hibbert (clerk).
WS Cllr Mildmay-White. Two members of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr G Mulley and SCC Cllr K Soons.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

Two members of the public requested that consideration be given to introducing an extension to the 30mph zone/ a speed buffer zone along Church Road to reduce speeding; this road is well used by walkers/horses/cyclists etc but has no pavement and links with a faster road. Residents report frequent near misses caused by speeding traffic. The meeting heard that any decision to bring forward such a measure would be the responsibility of SCC as highway authority and would need the support of S C Cllr Soons. It was **AGREED** to invite S Soons to attend a site meeting along with her highways colleagues to discuss further.

3. INTERESTS

3.1 CS and CC declared an interest in items 5.3 and 8.3 to the extent they are Trustees of the VHMC.

3.2 No dispensation applications were received.

4. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS DATED 4th MAY and 26th JUNE 2021 The minutes of the Council meetings held on 4th May and 26th June 2021 were unanimously **APPROVED**.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Suffolk County Council report. A copy of S C Cllr Soons' report was received and will be uploaded onto the website.

5.2 West Suffolk Council report. WS Cllr S Mildmay-White referred to her report, a copy of which will be uploaded onto the website. She highlighted the WSC programme of childrens' summer activities.

5.3 Village Hall report. A report from the Village Hall Management Committee (attached to the minutes) was received and **NOTED**.

6. PLANNING AND APPEALS

6.1 To receive planning notifications. None received.

7. TO CONSIDER

7.1 Proposal to vary PC meeting date. The meeting heard there was no need to consider this item. Meetings continue on the second Wednesday of every other month.

7.2 Footpath cutting The Council had received two complaints from residents regarding the overgrown state of local footpaths. The SCC public rights of way team have confirmed that they have responsibility for cutting a limited range of footpaths twice annually; the decision as to which footpaths are cut was determined by SCC following public consultation around 14 years ago. There are insufficient resources to cut a wider range of footpaths/ increase the number of cuts. It was noted that; (i) some local landowners do cut the footpaths back themselves, for which thanks; and (ii) the recent warm wet weather has lead to increased weed growth.

7.3 Quote for telephone kiosk interior A quote for £520 for the interior bookshelves was received and **APPROVED**. This work will be done after the kiosk has been painted.

7.4 Speeding along Church Road – possible remedies. See public forum above.

7.5 Queens' Platinum Jubilee. The meeting discussed ways in which this national moment might be marked locally, including – perhaps - by lighting a beacon.

8. FINANCES

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8.1 To receive and approve the quarterly financial summary to year ending 30th June 2021.

The financial summary for the first quarter, attached was received and **APPROVED**.

8.2 To receive and approve the bi-monthly financial summary for May-June 2021; received and **APPROVED**.

8.3 To Approve payments. The following online payments were **APPROVED**.

Detail	Cheque no/online authorisation	Net (of VAT)	Vat	TOTAL
1 BT Wifi	DD	57.30	11.46	68.76
2 BT Wifi	DD	57.30	11.46	68.76
3 SALC	BACS	158	31.60	189.60
4 C Hibbert	BACS	454.16	0	454.16
5 HMRC	Chq	100.40		100.40
6 C Hibbert – paint	BACS	60.60	0	60.60
7 C Hibbert – Perspex	BACS	20.70		20.70
8 VHMC – hire	BACS	40.00		40.00

8.4 To receive and consider internal audit report from SALC. The internal audit report for the year ending 31 March 2021 was received and **NOTED**.

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND CIRCULARS

9.1 SALC e bulletins;

9.2 Message to Town and Parish Councils: Electric Vehicle Infrastructure 24.05.21

9.3 May 2021 planning department newsletter

9.4 Town and parish forum flier/SALC AGM info

9.5 SCC Grass cut schedule and information from WSC re service dated 25 June 21

9.6 SCC grant letter July 2021

9.7 Queens Platinum Jubilee information from WSC

9.8 Festival of Suffolk 2022 info for chairman

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 8th September 2021 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.00p.m.

Attachment to item 5.3

Bradfield St George Village Hall Chairperson’s Report for Parish Council July 14 2021

Hall use has remained very similar to that of the previous report. The only 2 hirers are long term regular users Hannah (upholstery classes) and Emma (yoga classes). There have been very few requests for private hirings, however Rougham pre school are holding their annual end of term party later on in the month.

The hall has been cleaned regularly between users.

There was to have been a Bradfield Night BBQ at the end of July but the committee decided not to hold this event, even though restrictions will have been lifted, cases of the Delta variant of Covid continue to rise. The situation will be reviewed in August with a view to holding one before the winter sets in.

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There have been one or two enquires regarding making a regular booking for a karate class. However, there is not another night free on a regular basis as Monday and Tuesday are already booked. Parish Council and Restorative Yoga are held bimonthly and monthly (respectively) on Wednesday and Thursday, thereby rendering those nights not available to a regular user. Hence the request to possibly change PC meetings to Thursday nights. It would be good to have as many bookings as possible to maximise revenue.

It is expected that private hirings for parties etc will gradually return as restrictions are lifted. Christmas Day is already booked!

Attachment to item 8.1 – Financial summary to 30 June 2021

SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS					
FOR THE YEAR ending 31/3/22					
				2021/22	
RECEIPTS			Actual	Budgeted	Variance
			£		
Precept			5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
Wayleaves			0.00		0.00
Allotment rents			10.00	35.00	-25.00
Misc receipts			199.00		
Santander interest			0.15	10.00	-9.85
VAT			0.00		0.00
			5,709.15	5,545.00	-34.85
PAYMENTS			Actual	Budgeted	Variance
Misc			0	0.00	0.00
Admin Misc -			35.00	100.00	65.00
Audit fees			0.00	300.00	300.00
BT line VH			171.90	550.00	378.10
Clerk's salary(inc tax)			0.00	2,350.00	2,350.00
Clerk expenditure			0.00	150.00	150.00
Donations			0.00	100.00	100.00
Footpaths			0.00	150.00	150.00
Grass cutting			0.00	300.00	300.00
Insurance			0.00	200.00	200.00
PCC			0.00	0.00	0.00
Repairs/maintenance			0.00	200.00	200.00
SALC Training			0.00	100.00	100.00
Payroll service			0.00	50.00	50.00
Subscriptions			191.27	300.00	108.73
Stationery			0.00	100.00	100.00
VAT			34.38	0.00	-34.38
Vhall hire			0.00	100.00	100.00
Grants			0.00	250.00	250.00
Contingency			0.00	0.00	0.00

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bin					180.00	
				432.55	5,545.00	5,112.45
Reconciliation of R.& P. Book						
Balance b/f 01.04.21			£4,805.43	Santander account		
Receipts			£5,709.00	Balance b/f 1/4/21		£8,956.76
Payments			£5,709.00	Receipts		£0.15
			£10,081.88	Payments		£0.00
			£10,081.88			£8,956.91
TOTAL - 2A/cs			£19,038.79			
Bank Reconciliation balances as at						
Lloyds Balance as at 30.06.21			£10,081.88			
less unrepresented cheques as at						
			£0.00			
			£10,081.88			
Santander balance as at 30.06.21			£8,956.91			
TOTAL Bank Reconciliation			£19,038.79			

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