

BRADFIELD ST. GEORGE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2021

Present: Cllrs C Stainer, G Mulley, A Therin & C Croot (Vice Chairman).
C Hibbert (clerk).
WS Cllr Mildmay-White and SC Cllr K Soons. One member of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr P Squirrell.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

A member of the public expressed interest in being co-opted as a councillor. Further information to be supplied to the potential candidate.

3. INTERESTS

3.1 CS and CC declared an interest in items 5.3 and 8.2 to the extent they are Trustees of the VHMC.

3.2 No dispensation applications were received.

4. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS DATED 14th JULY 2021 The minutes of the Council meetings held on 14th July 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.

5.3 Village Hall report. A report from the Village Hall Management Committee (attached to the minutes) was received after the meeting.

6. PLANNING AND APPEALS

6.1 DC/21/1495/HH & DC/21/1496/LB Application for planning permission and listed building consent - a. internal and external alterations for the conversion of existing barn to holiday let b. single storey side extension c. decking to front elevation d. external flue e. changes to roof form including four roof lights at Dwelling Adjacent To Smallwood Farm House Smallwood Green Bradfield St George Suffolk (consultation period now closed); This consultation was received during the summer break when it was not possible to convene a meeting. Informal comments submitted on behalf of the Council were endorsed by this meeting.

6.2 DC/21/1435/FUL Planning application - change of use of existing outbuilding to one dwelling at Oakage Freewood Street Bradfield St George IP30 0AY (Consultation period now closed); This consultation was received during the summer break when it was not possible to convene a meeting. Informal comments submitted on behalf of the Council were endorsed by this meeting.

6.3 To receive planning notifications.

The following planning notifications had been received:-

DC/21/1084/HH and 21/1085/LB single storey extension to Southern elevation at Smallwood Farm House Smallwood Green Bradfield St George Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 0AJ – approved.

DC/21/1435/FUL Proposal Planning application - change of use of existing outbuilding to one dwelling at Oakage Freewood Street Bradfield St George IP30 0AY -refused.

7. TO CONSIDER

7.1 VAS machines/speeding; following discussion at the last meeting about speeding, C Cllr K Soons had suggested the Council consider the purchase of a VAS machine for the village to address this problem; initial enquiries had yielded one quote for a VAS machine from Westcotec (Total cost including fixings up to £4,000). It was **AGREED** to seek three quotes and investigate

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installation of two post (Church Road/Rougham Road) allowing for rotation. C Cllr K Soons **AGREED** to offer £2,000 locality funding towards such equipment, for which thanks.

7.2 Insurance renewal; insurance renewal terms had been received from RSA via Business at CAS Ltd; the terms were deemed adequate and the renewal premium of £186.73 was **APPROVED**. It was **AGREED** that the insurance should be reviewed once the VAS machine has been purchased.

7.3 Update on spending proposals for received locality grant (apple press and wildfowl signage); It was noted that locality grant had been received from SCC towards the purchase of wildfowl signage at Smallwood Green Farmhouse, for which thanks. Details of the signage and location to be firmed up with the resident. Locality grant having been received for the apple press some time ago, it was noted that the press remained out of stock due to global supply issues.

7.4 Update on Phone kiosk renovation. The exterior of the phone box has now been painted; it was agreed that the decorator should be encouraged to submit a revised quote for the interior paintwork prior to the shelves being fitted.

8. FINANCES

8.1 To receive and approve the bi-monthly financial summary for July-August 2021; received and **APPROVED**.

8.2 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. Petticoat decorators	BACS	280.00		280.00
4. VHMC	BACS	20.00		20.00
5. Business services at CAS Ltd	BACS	186.73		186.73

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND CIRCULARS The following correspondence was received;-

- 9.1 SALC e bulletins;
- 9.2 Community re-start information;
- 9.3 SALC West Suffolk forum flier 14/09/21;
- 9.4 WSC message re leading councillor nominations;
- 9.5 Community re-start /community chest grant information;
- 9.6 WSC grass cutting schedules;
- 9.7 Parish and Town forum notes July 2021.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.00p.m.

Attachment to item 5.3

**Bradfield St George Village Hall Management Committee
 Chairperson's Report September 2021**

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The hall continues to be used regularly by the yoga and upholstery classes and there has been debate about re locating the chairs (within the hall) to better facilitate the yoga class. Although their proposed new home is not convenient if the screen and projector is being used!

There have been a few enquiries for booking the hall for social events.

The Village Hall Committee held their first Bradfield Night on August 27 with a BBQ and bar. The event was very well received, and attendance was excellent. Another is planned for September 24 followed by fireworks on November 5th. We have yet to make any plans for Christmas.

The enquiry re a regular booking for a karate class came to nothing as they wanted 2 nights a week!

The committee felt it necessary to introduce a £20 deposit for hall bookings as one or two bookings have failed to materialise at the last minute which could result in unnecessary cleaning bills. So far it has not caused any problems.

CS - Sept 2021

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