

**MINUTES of a MEETING of BRINGTON and MOLESWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
held on 6th April, 2017 in MOLESWORTH VILLAGE HALL at 6.45pm.**

Present: Cllrs. Vanessa Littleboy (Chair), Paul Naples (Vice Chair/RFO), Rupinder Innes.

Meeting chaired by Cllr. Naples. Temporary Clerk/Notetaker - Cllr. Littleboy

Parishioners Open Meeting:

There were none.

17/41 Apologies for Absence or Non-Attendance:

Cllrs. Simon Foulds and Chirria Hutchison.

17/42 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

There were none.

17/43 Reports from District and/or County Councillors:

There were none.

17/44 Approval of the Minutes of meeting held 23rd February, 2017.

An amendment was made under point 17/31 i) and under A.O.B. These were then confirmed as a true record and signed by Cllr. R.Innes.

17/45 Matters Arising:

i) Brington School – a Parishioner, having read the minuted report submitted by Cllr. Simon Bywater regarding the concerns in management at the school, asked if the Parish Council would show their support and improve public perception by making contact with all 7 parishes feeding into the school and urging parents to use the school. After some discussion it was considered by councillors that as a council we have always shown our support, have responded quickly and efficiently whenever contacted with any issues from the Head and Governors and that the ongoing issues are regularly included in discussions and noted for future agenda items where relevant. It was felt that in this instance the School Governors were better placed to be making contact and encouraging parents from surrounding villages to use and support the school.

Action: V. Littleboy

ii) Free Trees – Cllr. Littleboy had received 8 very tiny saplings from Tree Warden Bridget Halford with the proposal that these were nurtured until strong enough to be planted on the Millennium Green.

iii) Village Clean Up - Cllr. Foulds was to confirm the final date for the Village Clean Up and would advertise asking for volunteers in Brington.

Action: Cllr. Foulds

17/46 Correspondence:

All emailed correspondence had been circulated.

Village Hall Bins - Mrs. Ledger had contacted us on 24th February on behalf of the Molesworth Village Hall Committee concerning the bins not being emptied by HDC since Christmas. She felt it was because they were being used by villagers for dog waste.

Cllrs. Littleboy and Foulds contacted HDC to ask for the bins to be emptied on the next refuse collection day. HDC said that dog and cat waste can be disposed of in grey bins. Normally if a bin is not emptied a note giving the reason is affixed. It was possible that it had been overfilled or contained unsuitable items for the type of waste acceptable. Cllr. Littleboy copied the response from HDC to Mrs. Ledger and said she was happy to place notices in the Village Boards advising parishioners of using the bins correctly if the Village Hall Committee so wished. No response had been received. However councillors did discuss putting new notices up reminding all of the need to be responsible for waste disposal and the potential health hazards from un-emptied bins.

Action: V. Littleboy

17/47 Planning and Tree Works Applications:

16/02679/FUL Proposal: Erection of two detached residential dwellings. Revised Plan.

Location: Land South of The Gables, High Street, Brington

The application and plans were studied and discussed at length. It was agreed that although some changes had been made they were not adequate enough to resolve the concerns and observations previously outlined by the Parish Council. It was decided to respond once again recommending refusal, highlighting the reasons any changes made were not resolving the issues and that our original observations still stood.

Action: V. Littleboy

17/48 Millennium Green:

Cllr. Foulds still had not given the donation he held to RFO. A reminder had been sent.

17/49 MUGA:

No noted concerns to report.

17/50 Highways and Maintenance:

Adoption of Telephone Kiosks – Cllr. Hutchison was still waiting for final notification from BT. Cllr. Littleboy had been issued with the draft proposal and the subsequent approved agreement from HDC for adoption.

17/51 Footpaths:

Cllr. Naples agreed to deal with the issues raised concerning FP32.

Action: Cllr. Naples

17/52 Brook in Molesworth and Flood Risk:

It was noted that Mr. Brighty had asked Cllr. Littleboy if there were any updates and he hoped that the vegetation in the brook along the course by The Hangars would be dealt with before the new growth. Cllr. Littleboy agreed to again contact the CCC Flood Risk team asking what the situation was regarding this. This issue is to be left as an agenda item until the situation has been satisfactorily resolved.

17/53 CIL, Parish Plan, Neighbourhood Plan:

A first meeting of those showing interest in forming the preliminary Discussion and Steering Group was to be arranged by Cllr. Innes. She had already contacted everyone and forwarded many links sourced by Cllr. Littleboy and herself to documents that could be read meanwhile and would help them in the decision making process.

Action: Cllr. Innes.

17/54 Risk Assessment Register:

It was agreed that an extraordinary meeting be arranged as soon as possible for councillors to agree on the format this register should take.

Action: All Cllrs.

17/55 Finance:

- i) Bank Reconciliation for period ending 31st March, 2017 was circulated and agreed.
- ii) Approval of payments to be made – proposed by Cllr. Innes and seconded by Cllr. Littleboy as follows:
 - £50.00 - Brington School – Hire for meetings 12th Jan & 23rd Feb. Chq. 747
- iii) It was decided to defer discussion on transferring all accounts to Barclays until evidence of the smooth running of the new Charity Account had been seen.
- iv) Cllr. Naples had contacted the external auditors P.K. Littlejohn and also contacted Mr. Williamson, the internal auditor, to view the end of year accounts ready for the Annual Audit.
- v) Cllrs. Naples and Littleboy agreed to having these available for public viewing during the required period.
- vi) Cllr. Naples had researched valuation of telephone kiosks to be added as assets on the insurance.
- vii) Cllr. Naples had received a quotation from Zurich Insurance of £384 excl. Vat + 12% tax annually for a 3 year plan. This did not take into account any employee. An increase of £25 would be made on appointment of a new clerk.

17/56 Clerk Vacancy:

Further advertising to be done in local shops, post offices etc. and CAPALC

Action: V. Littleboy

17/57 Website, Grapevine and Publicity:

Cllr. Littleboy noted that the website was being updated regularly.

Cllr. Hutchison to submit information to Village Matters regarding the first meeting for the Discussion and Steering Group and a reminder of information about joining the Brington & Molesworth Grapevine Group on Facebook.

Action: Cllrs. Hutchison, Innes and Littleboy

17/58 Any other Business and items for Information only:

Cllr. Naples mentioned the anticipated timeline for distribution and collection of the planned Brington Development Proposals Survey.

17/59 Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 18th February, 2017. 7.00pm in Molesworth Village Hall following the A.G.M at 6.45pm

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:25pm

Vanessa Littleboy. These minutes are considered draft until approved at the next Parish Council meeting.