

# BRIMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2017

Present: Mr J Hicks (Chairman), Mr P Bassil, Mr C Brims, Mr D Cowdery, Mrs M Cowdery, Mr R Smallwood, the Clerk Mrs B Harding and 8 members of the public.

**1 Apologies for Absence -District Councillor Dominic Boeck**

**2 Declarations of Interest - none**

**3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting – agreed and signed as a correct record.**

**4 Matters Arising**

**Bus shelter** - Clerk reported that a delivery date was awaited from the supplier.

**Gigaclear** – RS reported that Gigaclear have agreed to move the box to a location to the preferred site adjacent to the BT box on the corner of Crookham Common road.

**5 B3051 – MC advised that whilst WBC were amenable to considering a speed limit reduction, Hampshire Council are not interested in the proposal. The application to WBC remains in place and MC will attend the meeting. MC**

**6 General Power of Competence**

Brimpton Parish Council agreed that they will aspire to the general power of competence and that when the new Clerk is appointed it must be someone who has the CILCO qualification or is prepared to study for it.

**7 Brimpton PCC application for funding**

The annual Parish Council contribution was agreed in the annual budget at £1623 and a cheque for this amount was drawn. As the PCC accounts are considered to be in need of attention, CB will liaise with the PCC Treasurer. CB

**8 District Councillor’s Report**

In DB’s absence, JH reported that he had been in communication with Aldermaston and Padworth Parish Councils regarding the re-warding issue and their views are similar to those held by Brimpton. James Spackman indicated that Beenham Parish were of the same opinion and JH will contact them. The consultation deadline has been extended to 30.10.2017. JH

**9 Recruitment of Clerk**

JH advised that advertisements had been placed for this position.

**10 Clerk’s Report**

Planning:

New: none

Current: 17/02156 3 The Osiers Extension

Decisions: 17/01844 Blacknest bungalow Granted

17/01857 Blacknest Farm 3 units Granted

17/00952 Kennetholme landscaping Granted

### Financial statement

Current Account: £16,155.73 (includes £6800 bus shelter claim and c£259 by-way fund, £4.36 IT fund, £2543.43 BPRA)

The estimated cost of the bus shelter is £11,844)

Deposit Account: £11,763.99

#### Bills to be paid:

Digital House	£172.36	Hosting charge
J Hicks	£20.00	Poppy wreath
Clerk	£700.00	comprises £675 & £25 general expenses
Brimpton PCC	£1632.00	Annual contribution

**Correspondence:** External audit Approved & written confirmation/bill awaited  
Street cleansing & litter consultation – closing date 31.10.17

[www.westberks.gov.uk/streetcleansing](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/streetcleansing)

Clerk to respond

BH

**11 Neighbourhood Watch meeting** – invitation from Woolhampton Parish Council to attend their meeting on 31 October. Nobody from Brimpton is able to attend

#### 12 Village Hall Committee

New heaters have been ordered.

#### 13 Any Other Business

MC reported that the Pineapple Pub is back on the market.

MC also reported that the post box on the corner near the Pineapple pub has been stolen and will be replaced by the Post Office.

PB reminded the Council that before the installation of the solar farm, Wasing gave an indication that they would contribute towards a project for the Parish.

The hedges around the corner of Brimpton Road are overgrown. Clerk to contact the owner to arrange cutting.

PB mentioned the new stile on the footpath at Hyde End now prohibits access to many dogs and therefore excludes many walkers. Clerk explained that the field will have sheep in it.

**Meeting closed at 20.43**

**Date of next meeting: 7 November 2017**

Meeting closed at 9.04pm

Next meeting will be held on 5 September 2017

