

Brimpton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Council

Date:	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Time:	7.30pm
Place:	Brimpton Village Hall		
Present:	Mr John Hicks (Chairman)	Mr Phil Bassil (Vice Chairman)	
	Mrs Mary Cowdery	Mr Peter Main	
	Mr John Dolphin	Mr Charles Brims	
In Attendance:	Christine McGarvie (Clerk) District Cllr Dominic Boeck 5 members of the public		
			Action
103/19	Apologies for absence None received		
104/19	To receive declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda None		
105/19	Minutes of the previous meeting		
105.1	It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held 6 th August 2019 were a true and accurate record. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman.		
105.2	<p>Matters arising from the minutes not otherwise on the agenda including review of action tracker</p> <p>The Action Tracker was reviewed and updates given.</p> <p>98/19 The new trustees of Brimpton Common Fuel Allotment Trust will be meeting on 11th September.</p> <p>95.1/19 Footpath 15 has been now been cleared by West Berkshire Council.</p> <p>95.3/19 – Triangle at junction of Station Road and Wasing Road has been tidied up by Thames Water but the fingerpost is still missing.</p> <p>95.2/19 Gigaclear have abandoned their plans to install cables along Hatch Lane but it is not known whether they still plan to do works along Church Lane.</p> <p>69.2/19 The school railings have not yet been replaced.</p> <p>77.2/19 There is still an issue with black bins not being returned to the top of Church Lane after collection. Mr. Hicks to contact West Berkshire Council again.</p> <p>12/19 West Berkshire Council have reported that the drain outside the pub has now been fixed. The situation will be monitored next time there is heavy rain.</p>		JH
106/19	<p>Parish Plan: To agree who will lead on the recommendations accepted by the Parish Council</p> <p>106.1 The recommendations were reviewed and lead councillors assigned to each action. Clerk to publish recommendations on the Parish Council website.</p> <p>106.2 Clerk to add a link to the Parish Council website directing residents to the 'dealing with noise nuisance' page of West Berkshire Council's website.</p> <p>106.3 Brimpton Recreation Ground – Mr Brims gave a report on the current status of Brimpton Recreation Ground. The report can be found in Appendix D. Mr</p>		Clerk Clerk

	Brims asked that any parishioners with comments or suggestions contact him directly. Mr. Hicks to ask for comments from residents via the Parish Update emailed to residents.	JH
107/19	Parish environment 107.1 Footpaths No new issues have been raised. Mr Dolphin agreed to take over as footpath warden for paths 6,9,10,18 and 19.	
	107.2 To discuss use of Speed Indicator Device by volunteers 5 additional volunteers have now been trained to use the Speed Indicator Device. Mr. Dolphin explained that more data needs to be collected before West Berkshire Council will consider taking any other steps to deal with speeding in the parish. Mr. Dolphin to arrange to borrow the SID in the next few months.	JD
	107.3 Water leak reported on Brimpton Lane outside of the school The leak has been reported to Thames Water and they have indicated that the road will have to be closed between 8 th and 11 th September. Clerk to contact West Berkshire Highways Department and ask them not to divert all traffic via Back Lane as the road is not wide enough for two vehicles to pass and it caused issues last time a diversion was in place.	Clerk
108/19	Planning and Development	
108.1	To consider new planning applications and provide updates on any already considered. See appendix C below. 19/01948/FULD – Land at the Osiers, Brimpton Road. Erection of a new 3 detached 3 bedroom house. Objections have been raised by neighbours both to West Berkshire Planning Department and to Mr Hicks. The Parish Council resolved to OBJECT to the planning application on the grounds that the building would be too close to neighbouring properties and would therefore be overdevelopment of the plot. The Council supports the neighbour's objections.	
109/19	Consultation documents requiring consideration None	
110/19	Finance	
110.1	To approve payments and reconciliation against bank statements. See Appendix A below. It was unanimously agreed to approve the payments for September, Clerk to process. The bank reconciliation was checked and signed by Mr. Bassil and Mr. Hicks The Parish Council resolved to join the CCB for one year and assess the value of the membership next year. Mr Bassil and Mr Hicks signed the Direct Debit mandate to pay the credit card in full each month.	Clerk
111/19	Reports	
111.1	District Councillor's Report Cllr Boeck will provide monthly reports in future. West Berkshire Council have been considered the risks associated with leaving the European Union under World Trade Organisation rules. Officers don't consider that there is much risk to the Council at this point but will be briefing members again at the end of the month.	
111.2	Clerk's Report Nothing to report.	

111.3	<p>Report from village hall committee</p> <p>Work is planned to improve the safety ramps outside the hall and also work to clear the small piece of ground at the back of the hall. There is an internal water leak which is being dealt with.</p> <p>Forthcoming events include the Pudding Club competition on 12th October at 7pm (£10 per head in aid of St. Michael's Hospice) and the Church Quiz on 14th September.</p>	
111.4	<p>Report from Parish Council representatives on outside bodies</p> <p>No report from AWE LLC.</p> <p>The AWE drones will be carrying out a survey of the Church and Village Hall roofs.</p>	
112/19	<p>Public Forum</p> <p>112.1 The benefice will be resubmitting their grant application for the cost of cutting the grass at the church yard next month as they have not been able to find any alternative.</p> <p>112.2 A member of the public raised a concern about the new format for the Church Parish Magazine. The PCC asked that any comments or suggestions about the new format be emailed to awb.benefice@gmail.com. Mr. Hicks to put this information in the next Parish Update emailed to residents.</p>	JH
113/19	<p>Date of Next Meeting : 1st October 2019 at 7.30pm</p> <p>Mr. Bassil gave his apologies for the next meeting.</p>	
	Meeting finished at 8.33 pm	

Signed: Date:.....
(Chairman)

Appendix A

Meeting Report 3rd September 2019

Community Account

Statement balance 23/8/19	Cashbook balance as at 29/8/2019	Cashbook balance after new payments made
£25,398.90	£25,398.90	£25,059.10

Payments made since last meeting

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
100440	Mrs C McGarvie	printer ink and laminates	40.78
SO	Mrs C McGarvie	July salary	232.80
100441	Digital House MD	website hosting	207.36
			£480.94

New items for payment

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
SO	Mrs C McGarvie	September salary	232.80
100442	CCB	CCB membership	32.00
100443	Brimpton Village Hall	6 months hall hire	75.00
TOTAL			£339.80

Receipts since last meeting date

Receipt Date	Payer	Details	TOTAL AMOUNT
08/08/2019	Brimpton Fete		£1,469.18

Payments not presented as of 24/8/2019

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
TOTAL			-

Receipts not cleared as of 24/8/2019

Receipt date	Payer	Details	TOTAL COST
			£0.00

Brimpton story/BPRA	£1,361.18
CIL	£806.40
Byway Fund	£91.00
INRG solar donation	£20,000.00
	£22,258.58

Defib paid for
received 27/10/2016 16/00416
- £2000 spent on school hall

Appendix B

Bank Reconciliation 29th August 2019

Authority name Brimpton Parish Council

Prepared by Christine McGarvie Clerk and RFO

Date 29th August 2019

Approved by John Hicks Chair of council

Date

Balance per bank statements as at 23rd August 2019	£	£
Community Account	25,398.90	
Saving account	31,847.91	
		<u>57,246.81</u>

Less any un-presented payments at 23rd August 2019 0

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Add any uncleared receipts

Net Bank balances as at 30th July 2019	<u>£57,246.81</u>
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CASH BOOK

Opening balance as per cashbook 1st April 2019 24,107.65

Add: Receipts in the year 8,484.18

Less: Payments in the year 7,192.93

Closing balance as per cash book as at 29th August 2019 £25,398.90

Opening balance savings account 1st April 2019 31,832.04

Add: Receipts in the year £15.87

Less: Payments in the year 0

Closing balance as per cash book as at 29th August 2019 £31,847.91

Overall closing balance £57,246.81

diff £0.00

Appendix C

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Planning Applications for Consideration

1	19/01948/FULD – Land at the Osiers, Brimpton Road – Erection of a new detached 3 bedroom house	Deadline 5 th September
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Planning Application Decisions made

1	19/01371/MINMAJ – Kennetholme Quarry. Variation of conditions. Request for 24 month extension of gravel extraction	GRANTED
2	19/01516/HOUSE – The Lodge, Brimpton Common. Alterations to existing internal layout and an extension.	GRANTED
3	19/01171/FULD - Blacknest Farm. Demolition, salvage and rebuild of the existing buildings to create three live-work units together with access and landscaping	REFUSED
4	19/01594/PIP Hillcourt Lodge, Brimpton Road - Application for permission in principle for residential development up to two dwellings	REFUSED
5	19/01712/HOUSE Merry Winds, Brimpton Common. Erection of single storey side extension	GRANTED

Planning Applications Awaiting Decisions

1	19/01290/COMIND - Land West Of Gravel Works Station Road Woolhampton . Installation of 6MW ground mounted photovoltaic solar arrays with transformer stations; internal access track; landscaping; security fencing; security measures; access gate; and ancillary infrastructure (without complying with Conditions 15 and 17 of application 17/00522/COMIND to extend operational lifespan of Solar Farm from 30 years and six months to 40 years and six months)	Determination deadline 30 th August
2	APP/W0340/D/19/3230985 – Old Thatch. Proposed demolition of 1960s single storey extension and erection of single storey extension to rear of property.	

BRIMPTON RECREATION GROUND

As you may know, the local football team has folded and there is no prospect of a new one.

Our charitable purpose requires us to provide recreational facilities for the inhabitants of the parish of Brimpton. This means we are not permitted to operate the Recreation Ground as a commercial football venue for non-local teams. And, even if we were, it would be financially risky as we would have to sign up at least three football teams to cover our costs.

The location of the Recreation Ground means that few parishioners can walk to it. This means that very few parishioners actually use it; nor have any parishioners responded to frequent requests to let us know if they would like to use it. It was a good site for the Fete in July but it doesn't make sense to retain, and maintain, it just for an occasional Fete.

As a result, we now need to consider our options for the future of the Recreation Ground, including the possibility of selling the existing site and either buying some land more conveniently located as a replacement or creating a fund to support parish activities.

To this end, we have now engaged professional advisers. We will, of course, consult parishioners before making any decisions but, in the meantime, it would be helpful if parishioners were to let me (cdbrims@brimpton.com) have any comments or suggestions.

Charles Brims

Chairman, Brimpton Recreation Ground

3rd September 2019