

Brimpton Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting

Date: Tuesday 4th October 2022 Time: 7.30pm
Place: Brimpton Village Hall
Attending: Mr John Hicks (Chairman)
 Mr Phil Bassil
 Mrs Mary Cowdery
 Mr Charles Brims
 Mr John Dolphin
 Mr Nicholas Matthews

In Attendance: Christine McGarvie (Clerk)
 6 members of the public

106/22 Open Forum

106.1 Mr. Bassil mentioned that SSE have managed the footpath closures well and have been accommodating when residents wanted to pass them.

107/22 Apologies for absence

District Cllr Dominic Boeck gave his apologies.

108/22 To receive declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda

None

109/22 Minutes of the previous meeting

109.1 It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th September 2022 were a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

109.2 Matters arising from minutes not otherwise on the agenda (including review of Action Tracker)

95.1/22 Mr Brims reported that following last month's meeting, Hathor Property have decided not to proceed any further with the proposals for the land in Brimpton Road (opposite The Willows). Hathor Property were originally looking at plans for 10 houses but the Settlement Boundary Working Property considered this to be over development and after listening to residents' feedback the developer has decided not to proceed.

The Settlement Boundary Working Party have decided that it would not be advisable to request a change in the Settlement Boundary to include this land at this stage. If another proposal is put forward which is more acceptable then it could be considered again.

Mr Brims and Mr Matthews attended a webinar on affordable housing in rural areas and it was clear that financial viability is a common issue which makes it difficult for this type of housing to be provided.

56.1/22 SID results from Wasing Road- West Berkshire Council have agreed to carry out a Community Speedwatch session in Wasing Road but it has been delayed due to holiday and sickness.

70/21 Parking issues around Primary School –Mr Dolphin reported that there has been a recent incident involving a cat.

110/22 To report on the 'Made in Brimpton' Art and Craft exhibition

Mr Hicks thanked everyone who took part in the exhibition. There were 150 attendees over the weekend and the quality of work was outstanding.

Mr Dolphin was given particular thanks for his work in transporting items and repairing the trailer.

The Parish Council had agreed £750 of financial support for the exhibition but the actual spend is currently £133.73

111/22 Parish Environment

111.1 To provide an update on the use of the Speed Indicator Device (SID) in the Parish

West Berkshire Council refused permission for the SID to be installed on the same post as the existing vehicle activated sign in Brimpton Road. However, they have agreed to put their Sentinel device on the post so that data can be collected.

The SID is currently in Wasing Road and has already been on the B3051 for a week.

The report for the B3051 showed high levels of speeding. Mrs Cowdery to provide the Clerk with the contact details for a resident who has contacted their MP about speeding on the B3051 (in Hampshire) so that the SID results can be shared with them.

Action: MC/Clerk

111.2 To consider problem of Late-Night Car Racing through the village

There have been reports of cars racing through the village late at night. It is mainly along Crookham Common Road and also Brimpton Road.

Mr Hicks has reported the problem to Thames Valley Police and also to the MOD police. The MOD police have said that they will try to do some more late-night patrols through the village. However, as the timing is irregular it will be difficult to catch the offenders.

West Berkshire Council have agreed to do some monitoring with their Sentinel Device in Brimpton Road which may catch the offending vehicles.

111.3 To consider quotes for replacement of noticeboards in Brimpton Common

The Parish Council considered the quotes provided by the Clerk and decided to accept the quote from Harry Stebbings Ltd at a cost of £1926.50 plus VAT.

Clerk to place the order and arrange installation.

Clerk has emailed the owner of the land at the end of Brimpton Common Byway where the noticeboard is located to ask for permission for the board to be replaced but has not received a response yet.

Action: Clerk

112/22 Planning and Development

112.1 To consider new planning applications received and provide updates on any already considered

No new applications

113/22 Finance

113.1 To approve payments and approve reconciliation against bank statements

The payments and bank reconciliation were approved.

Mr Hicks to approve payments online.

113.2 To consider grant request from Parenting Special Children (PSC)

The request for a £100 donation was granted. Clerk to make payment via the Good Exchange on 27th October so that it will be matched by Greenham Trust.

Action: Clerk

113.3 To consider request from Newbury Weekly News for a donation to their Parcel Fund

A £100 donation was approved and Clerk will pay via the Good Exchange so that it will be matched by Greenham Trust.

Action: Clerk

114/22 Consultation documents requiring consideration

None

115/22 Reports

115.1 Clerk's report

The defibrillator at the Village Hall has had a software upgrade and a new battery has been installed. An invitation has been received from West Berkshire Council to a service of Thanksgiving Service on 4 November 2022 at 7pm in memory of Her Majesty the Queen. Councillors are asked to let the Clerk know if they would like to attend.

The Clerk is liaising with West Berkshire Council on replacing the Street Name Plate at the end of Hatch Land and obtaining the necessary permissions from the landowners.

The first draft of the budget for 2023/2024 will be presented at the November meeting. Councillors are asked to send any new items for consideration to the Clerk.

115.2 Report from Village Hall Committee

The Village Hall Committee AGM will be held on Thursday 6th October.

The Wine Tasting event was a great success and all tickets were sold.

There has been a lot of interest in the upcoming Pizza night and a local business is sponsoring the beer and cider for the evening.

The solar panels are not working properly and an engineer has been booked to investigate on 24th October.

115.3 Report from Parish Council representative on the AWE LLC

Nothing to report. There has been no meeting.

116/22 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st November 2022 in the Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

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

Appendix A

Meeting Report 4th October 2022

Community Account

Statement balance 26/9/2022	Cashbook balance as at 28/9/2022	Cashbook balance after new payments made
£30,149.40	£30,149.40	£29,728.77

Payments made since last meeting

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
EP	Mrs C McGarvie	August salary	259.00
EP	Henry Ellis	Made in Brimpton flyers repairs for 'Made in brimpton'	39.68
EP	Mr J Dolphin	(VAT 5.45)	32.73
EP	Mrs K Turner	gazebo deposit return	100.00
EP	Mrs S Rudling	gazebo deposit return	100.00
TOTAL			£531.41

New items for payment

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
EP	Mrs C McGarvie	October salary	259.00
EP	Brimpton Village Hall	hire for 6 months Parish Council meeting	75.00
EP	Brimpton Village Hall	Hire for Art exhibition	72.00
EP	Mr. J Dolphin	more bench repair work (VAT £1.97)	14.63
TOTAL			£420.63

Receipts since last meeting date

Receipt Date	Payer	Details	TOTAL AMOUNT
12/09/2022	S Rudling	Gazebo hire (£100 returnable deposit)	£140.00

Payments not presented as of 26/9/2022

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
TOTAL			

Receipts not cleared as of 26/9/2022

Receipt date	Payer	Details	TOTAL COST
			0

Savings Account balance 23/9/2022	£31,920.87
CIL	£11,420.35
INRG solar donation	£20,000.00
	£31,420.35

must be spent by May 2026

Appendix B

Bank Reconciliation 28th September 2022

Authority name	Brimpton Parish Council	
Prepared by	Christine McGarvie	Clerk and RFO
Date	28th September 2022	
Approved by	John Hicks	Chair of council

Balance per bank statements as at 26th September 2022	£	£
Community Account	30,149.40	
Saving account	31,920.87	
		<u>62,070.27</u>

Less any un-presented payments at 26th September 2022

0.00

Add any uncleared receipts

Net Bank balances as at 26th September 2022	<u>£62,070.27</u>
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CASH BOOK

Opening balance as per cashbook 1st April 2022	35,309.84
Add: Receipts in the year	2,698.21
Less: Payments in the year	7,858.65
Closing balance as per cash book as at 28th September 2022	<u>£30,149.40</u>

Opening balance savings account 1st April 2022	31,908.63
Add: Receipts in the year	£12.24
Less: Payments in the year	0
Closing balance as per cash book as at 28th September 2022	<u>£31,920.87</u>

Overall closing balance	<u>£62,070.27</u>
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diff	£0.00
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Appendix C

Brimpton Parish Council Meeting – 4th October 2022

Planning Applications for Consideration

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Planning Application Decisions made

1	22/01759/HEDGE - Land To The South Of Holdaways Farm Crookham Common Road – Remove 10m of hedge	Granted
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Planning Applications Awaiting Decisions

1	22/01895/FULD – Washoe Lodge – S73 variation of condition 2. Erection of 4 detached dwellings	30 th Sept deadline
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