BRADFORD PEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in the Village Hall on Thursday September 9th, 2021 at 7pm.

Present Cllrs S Denning, N Howard, Representative Tess Buck, John Harrop and clerk J Adlam Cllr Denning agreed to chair this meeting.

Democratic Period - John Harrop put forward his objections on the planning application in Item 7

- **Apologies** Cllrs P Meaden, C Hawkins and J Desborough, Dorset Cllr David Taylor, reps C Chapman and C Bishop
- **Minutes of Parish Council meeting** held on Thursday July 1st, 2021.

 The minutes were agreed and signed. *Proposed by Cllr N Howard and seconded by Cllr S Denning*
- 3 Matters Arising None.
- 4 Correspondence -

All correspondence has been sent round in browser form or forwarded electronically.

- **Village Hall building work –** The VH committee are following up on the standard of the work done on the ramps at front entrance to hall with the contractor. See also VH report in Item 6.
- 6 Officers reports -
 - Village Maintenance Cllr N Howard reported that the central reservation grass on the A37 has now been cut all over to allow visibility of oncoming traffic after several people reported the danger to DC.

Representatives reports -

 Village Hall – Tess Buck had put forward the PC's suggestions with regard to storage of bulky

Items and they were discussed by the VH committee but they decided against them because of possible cost, structural damage and loss of the smooth back wall which doubles as a screen on occasions. They were looking into the use of a top for the pool table so it could be used without any damage and have begun replacing the round tables with foldable ones. On a count up it was noted by the PC that there are more chairs than the capacity of the hall, so Tess will suggest disposing of some of the plastic stacking chairs.

- Muckleford Cathy Bishop nothing to report.
- Amenity Fields Representative Colin Chapman reported by email that the bark had been successfully spread and seems to be working well. He thanked the two John's for their assistance. He has done some repairs to the wooden family picnic table/benches which should keep it safely functioning while we try and contact the family to see what they want to do about it.
- Flood Warden Cllr Hawkins not present.
- Publicity Terry Putnam not present.
- **Planning -** P/HOU/2021/02390 5 Manor Lane, BP, Remove rear conservatory and replace with pitched roof extension and rooflights. On paper this looked like a straight forward replacement but the neighbour attended the meeting and pointed out the various problems that were not obvious or addressed in the application.

Namely - The associated neighbour's box was left blank which meant that they did not receive any notification of the planned alterations from either the householder or planning, neither were they displayed in the immediate vicinity, only by luck, spotted in the bus shelter some distance away.

The architect's drawings do not take into account that the adjoining property is 1.3m lower due to the slope of the land. Any increase in height therefore has an exaggerated effect.

The boundary wall is a party wall with an existing party wall agreement (with the

previous owners) for the present conservatory. The party wall is already 3m high and the proposed new wall would be considerably higher. The drawings do not show the current side view therefore the difference in height is not clear or obvious.

The councillors present agreed that all other councillors should be consulted by email so that an agreed reply could be sent before the deadline of 21st September. This application was only received on 1st September.

Since the meeting councillors have agreed to support the objections in our response.

8 Finance - since March meeting

a) <u>Cheques</u> - (already done) County Town Aggregates -playbark £992.40 Kevin Kirk grass cutting quarter year £450.00

b) Cheques to sign - Clerk's half-year salary £1016.64) Prop Cllr NH half-year expenses £176.87) £1193.51 Sec Cllr SD KVISR Domain name & web hosting (21/22) £ 74.14 SW Ambulance Trust Defibrillator package £ 540.00 Custom Tree Care hedge cutting £ 270.00

c) <u>AGAR</u> - Annual Governance Statement - queries all answered and documents on the website.

9 Any Other Business -

- **1.** Cllr Denning raised the issue of councillor vacancies and thought it would be good to advertise the positions available, especially to try and recruit someone from Muckleford and possibly a younger representative. John Harrop expressed an interest and was given some literature to read whilst deciding. Clerk will design a poster and include an advert with the minutes to be published in The Chalk Stream.
- 2. Colin Chapman pointed out in his earlier report that residents of the track beyond New Barn are finding it increasingly difficult and dangerous to pull out onto the A35. They are hoping to erect a mirror to assist, attached to the present pole opposite the exit or on a stand alone post but are not getting clarity from DC or Highways. Any assistance would be gratefully received.
- **3.** A resident has reported to the PC that a Mail Delivery box has appeared outside the small holding near Giles Cross which raised concerns that someone is living there.
- **4.**There have been sightings of a large van being parked for several nights in the passing place on the approach road to the village from the A37. It has since moved on but any information would be welcome. PCSO Sarah Pilcher was made aware.

10 Date and Time of Next Meeting -

November 4th, 2020 plus Jan 6th 2021 - booked for 7pm

Meeting closed at 7.50pm