

BRADFORD PEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in the Village Hall on Thursday March 3rd, 2022 at 7pm.

Present Cllrs S Denning, N Howard, P Meaden, and J Harrop, J Desborough. Reps C Chapman, T Buck and C Bishop plus Clerk J Adlam
Cllr Meaden agreed to chair this meeting.

Democratic Period - Nothing discussed

1 Apologies - Dorset Cllr. D Taylor and Cllr C Hawkins

2 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Thursday Jan 6th, 2022.
The minutes were agreed and signed. *Proposed by Cllr SD seconded by Cllr NH*

3 Matters Arising - None

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

5 Officers reports -

- **Village Maintenance** - Cllr N Howard reported that he had been in touch with DC about the clearance of the old fence and scrub from the corner of the approach road and the A37 which had left an unprotected drop to the river Wrackle right beside the cycleway/footpath. This could be very hazardous in the dark or with youngsters. He has a site meeting on Monday. He also mentioned that he had cleared a black bag of accumulated rubbish and leaves from the bus shelter and noticed that the back of the bench was wobbly as it had been pulled out from the back wall and possibly abused. Efforts will be made to get a carpenter to assess the damage and repair if possible. He also noted that the guttering is in need of replacement, which will be done asap.

Representatives reports -

- **Village Hall** – Tess Buck reported that the WiFi connection was nearly complete and the VH committee were also getting a Hearing Loop and Bluetooth installed. The ramp access will be done with Anti-slip surfacing .
- **Muckleford** - Cathy Bishop reported that the land opposite No 1 Higher Muckleford had been cleared of turf and a considerable depth of topsoil removed. The area had then been gravelled ready, locals believed, for the installation of Shepherds Huts to be holiday let. This will be investigated as planning permission for holiday dwellings has been refused previously. She also reported that the road through the hamlet to the farm was breaking up with all the heavy tractors and other vehicle usage. Also the wooden fingerpost was damaged but Terry Bishop was in contact with a voluntary countryside group who do repair them as DC do not.
- **Amenity Fields** – Colin Chapman reported that the Jubilee Field furniture was in need of a power wash which he was trying to organise and he had checked and strengthened the old picnic bench which should now be okay for at least the summer. Also see Item 8.
- **Flood Warden** - Cllr Hawkins - not present.
- **Publicity** - Terry Putnam retiring from this post. The council expressed a vote of thanks for many years of loyal service in the role. Proposed by Cllr JD Seconded by Cllr SD.

6 Planning -

P/HOU/2021/04751 Parklands (New Barn area) 1st floor and 2-storey extension with balcony. No objections to this has been submitted but the planning application has been withdrawn now.

P/HOU/2022/00480 Westwood House, BP Single storey extension for living space. No objections logged online.

P/FUL/2022/00813 - 1 Frome View, BP. Sever land and erect 1 separate 3-bedroom bungalow with parking and modify vehicular access. This was discussed at length due to the short period available to comment or object. A list of concerns would be drafted in response and acted on immediately.

Waterside Cottage application has been refused by Conservation officer, mainly on the grounds that it is not at all in keeping with the existing property and would not preserve the character of the village.

- 7 **PM - Poundbury development limits** - The recent 2022 edition of the Poundbury street map next to the cemetery with named roads. One of these is called Crown Gate, raising concerns that there might be a planned entry and exit point in contravention of the Duchy's undertaking about access to Roman Road. Since this is the section without a wall the Parish Council will seek further assurances from Dorset Planning and the Duchy that this commitment given by Prince Charles will be honoured.
- PM to draft our concerns to Dorset Cllr David Taylor to seek clarification from Dorset Council Planning.
- 8 **Dog Fouling and disposal of waste bags in village.** - There seems to have been a spike in offensive litter around the Jubilee Field (WHICH IS A "NO DOGS ALLOWED" AREA) and the Upper and Lower Churchyards, with bags being thrown over the wall from the parking area in front of said church. The installation of signs or bins was discussed and the Dog wardens would be contacted as well as Environmental Health.
The Parish Council asks all dog walkers to be considerate and dispose of their animal's waste sensibly and other villagers to be vigilant and if necessary report offenders by taking note of dates/times and registration numbers or photographs.
- 9 **Dorset Deserves Better** - It was proposed by Cllr PM that we should join their group as no cost is involved and this was seconded by Cllr JH, all were in favour.
- 10 **Bonfires on the side of Track to New Barn** - Cllrs and villagers are encouraged to report any incidents to PC or Dorset Council.
- 11 **Finance - since November meeting**
a) Cheques done - none
b) Cheques to sign - before next meeting agreed in principle - Donation to The Chalk Stream £50, Kevin Kirk last payment for the year £450, Clerks Salary and Expenses
c) Donation - Keep on agenda for decision at later stage.
d) Clerks Salary - The clerk was asked to leave meeting temporarily while Cllrs discussed salary increase in line with Dorset Council recommendations.
On return she was informed that a 1.5% increase should be applied back-dated to April 2021
Proposed by PM seconded by NH, all in favour.
- 9 **Any Other Business** -
Nothing raised
- 10 **Date and Time of Next Meeting** -
Next meeting - April 28th (AGM),
July 7th, September 1st and November 3rd.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

NB Item 5 Village Maintenance - Following the site meeting Highways Officers agreed to contact the land owners and point out the hazards. They suggested that the PC should also write to them if the problem is not resolved quickly.