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BRADFORD PEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in the Village Hall on Thursday Mar 5th, 2015

Present –,D. Cllr Sarah East, Chairman Cllr T Collins, Cllrs, N Howard, S. Denning, J. Diment, D. Nabarro and P. Cooper. Representatives D Ackerman, Dr A Buck, T Putnam and C Snow, 3 prospective councillors and the clerk J. Adlam.

Democratic Period - Cllr N Howard raised the following points on behalf of John Hawthorne who was unable to attend.

- 1) <u>The Ford in Gascoigne Lane</u> A lot of 4-wheel drive vehicles are going through here despite the signs and due to the shift of the gravel bank it is now very deep and being further eroded by this additional traffic. Could the PC check that the signs are in place and enquire with Highways (DCC) or WDDC to see if there is anything else that can be done to dissuade them from using it.
- 2) <u>Rubbish has been dumped near the "withys" in Muckleford Lane</u> The land belongs to Mr Pope and as such, it is his responsibility but the PC will let him know that it's there.
- 3) <u>Tree Screening between Bradford Peverell and Poundbury</u>. This subject has been raised before and it is understood that the land owner is willing to plant trees down the hill to break up the skyline without obliterating the view across to the Roman aquaduct. We asked that John could provide the PC with a sketch to show exactly where the planting was intended to be as there seemed to be some confusion.
- **1** Apologies-,. C Cllr Jill Haynes.
- **Minutes of meeting** held on Thursday Jan 8th, 2015 Proposed by Cllr, Diment Seconded by Cllr Howard..

3 Matters Arising -

Village Website -

Dave Ackerman still investigating options and hopes to have more information for us by the next meeting.

<u>Future use of Phonebox</u> - We have now been given permission to purchase the box for £1.
 <u>We need to check with our insurance supplier to find out how much extra it would put on our Public Liability cover and find out about the electricity supply to the box.</u> Cllr Denning will draft a village consultation letter to be hand delivered.

4 County and District Councillors -

C. Cllr Jill Haynes will send a report for circulation to all Councillors.

<u>D. Cllr Sarah East</u> reported that WDDC had been having a few problems with delays in the Planning Dept but new staff have now been appointed and it should be back to normal within a short time. The District Council have agreed to increase their proportion of the Council Tax by 1.9% but Dorchester car parking charges are not increasing. The partnership with North Dorset is going ahead. There have been further delays with the adoption of the Local Plan.

5 Correspondence -

Had all been circulated or forwarded electronically.

The clerk has printed off all the Election paperwork and has Councillor application/nomination packs for all present Councillors and those prospective ones who have attended this evening or given apologies.

The three villagers who attended all gave a brief history of themselves and their areas of interest.

6 Representatives Reports -

- <u>Village Hall</u> Dave Ackerman nothing to report.
- Amenity and Jubilee Fields Cllr Paul Cooper reported that he, Chairman Tim Collins and Cllr Neil
 Howard had inspected the playing fields and equipment, and with the inspection report provided by
 Wicksteed, had identified the maintenance jobs that needed attention. He has emailed all the other
 Councillors with the list of priorities. As far as possible the jobs will be done by volunteers or local
 tradespeople. Clerk to get prices for playground bark. Paul will check quantity required.

- Women's Institute Cllr Diment had nothing to report. She was also retiring from the Parish Council
 after more than 25 years service. The Chairman gave a vote of thanks to her and she was
 presented with a gift voucher and a bouquet of flowers.
- <u>Muckleford</u> Dr Buck reported on the rubbish dumped in Muckleford Lane (see item 2 in Democratic Period) and raised the subject of the 'permissive' footpath which Dave Ackerman is investigating.
- <u>DAPTC</u> All info and emails had been forwarded or circulated to all Councillors or representatives as necessary.

7 Officers Reports

- <u>Village Maintenance</u> Cllr Howard reported that the large pothole in the village that needed attention had been repaired. The salt bins were all still topped up due to the reasonably good winter weather and that he would advise Highways maintenance about the mossy conditions of the pavement in Glebefields. It was reported by another villager that a resident had fallen there.
- <u>Transport</u> Cllr Collins Nothing to report until Stratton PC take up the investigation.
- Footpaths and R.of W Dave Ackerman is investigating the status of 2 paths in the Parish.
- <u>Publicity</u> Terry Putnam Nothing to report.
- Archaeology Stuart Ackerman Not present.
- <u>Flood warden</u> Chris Snow reported that 4 of the properties that were flooded two years ago have now had automatic pumps fitted that seem very efficient but thankfully have not yet been put to the test of major flooding. (The other 2 properties previously affected had already had pumps installed privately)

8 Planning -

<u>WD/D/14/003279</u> - Yew Tree Cottage - extension to house and on top of garage. Consultation papers returned by deadline. No decision yet.

WD/D/14/002122 - Amendment to refurbishment of McDonalds restaurant at Monkeys Jump.

WD/D/15/000230 - Dower House - internal and external alterations, No objections - papers returned

9 Finance -

New signatories for Lloyds accounts - Cllrs P Cooper and N Howard agreed to be signatories.
 Clerk to get necessary paperwork from Lloyds.

Cheques signed - Chalk Stream Magazine donation TC proposed increase to £40

JD seconded.

Stratton Youth Club donation To remain at £150

(request an update on membership etc)

Clerk's salary (half-year) £1016.64 Admin expenses (half-year up to March 31st) will be approx £200

10 Any Other Business -

Cllr Howard and the clerk will continue to monitor the Notice Boards. Clerk to get someone to look at waterproofing the top board and fitting external catches instead of the keylock.

Clerk was asked to put the Agendas and Minutes lower down on the Bus Shelter notice board.

11 Future Meetings Arranged -

Next year proposed dates -

May 14th Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council Meeting, Jul 2nd, Sep 3rd, Nov 5th -

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.