

BRADFORD PEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in the Village Hall on Thursday Mar 2nd, 2017

Present –Chair Cllr S Denning, Cllrs N Howard, P. Cooper, J. Desborough, D. Verner-Jeffreys and T. Buck . Representative Terry Putnam (acting as clerk)

Democratic Period - Parishioner Neil Shute pointed out 3 sites of fly-tipping, which are all along Muckleford Lane, on Mr Pope's land. On one site the wire fence has been cut and some of it appears to be decorating waste. Waste Partnership could remove it but would need to be paid. Send letter to Mr Pope expressing sympathy and suggesting ideas to help resolve the problem.

1 Apologies- C.Cllr Jill Haynes, D.Cllr Fred Horsington, D. Cllr Tim Yarker, Cllr P. Meaden, Reps T. Collins and C. Snow, Junior Rep Bobby Verner-Jeffreys and Clerk J. Adlam .

2 Minutes of meeting held on Thursday January 5th, 2017
Proposed by Cllr Neil Howard, Seconded by Cllr. T. Buck.

3 Matters Arising

- Possibility of a Defibrillator in the village - A good press release was published in The Chalk Stream and there is a fund-raising event in the village hall on March 16th, a talk by Pete Ellis about climbing mountains.
- Tree planting in the hedgerow to partly obscure the Poundbury skyline - Letter has been sent to Simon Conibear but no reply as yet.
- Village Benches - It had been suggested that villagers be invited to "Adopt" a bench as most of them were showing varying degrees of deterioration. Notice is going in The Chalk Stream asking for sponsors to maintain a bench for a year. Priority is the bench near Dairy Cottage. *(Jackie to get quotes for repair/replacement and to enquire about money from the Dorchester Car Boot fund)*

4 Junior Representatives

No rep present but there should be table tennis on Thursday.

5 County & District Councillors

C.Cllr Jill Haynes sent an email report:-

- It is hoped that the Local Government Review will now go through in an effort to make savings and join up services.
- Children's services has been allocated a grant of £2M to change the way they engage and retain social workers. Working with Bournemouth University to get better professional development has already started to pay off with successful appointments and the number of children in care starting to drop.
- There is NOT going to be a roof garden on County Hall (despite vivid press stories) but the inside of the building is being reconfigured to enable more staff to work from there, freeing up expensive leased sites or enabling the sale of property elsewhere. In the last 5 years the number of staff has been reduced by 500 and flexible working is utilising time and space much better.
- The NHS Clinical Services Review is a priority at present with many meetings discussing everything from Doctors' surgeries combining to be more sustainable, access to medical help via hubs 7-days-a-week, specialist surgery/treatment teams at different locations, the availability of mental health beds in the County with help and advice available evenings and weekends in more community rooms and the huge task of dealing with an ever-increasing older population with complex needs by incorporating early help and prevention.

6 Review of Standing Orders

Postponed till clerk is available.

7 New Footpaths and Rights of Way rep.

Dave Ackerman has left the village and Cllr David Verner-Jeffreys has volunteered to keep an eye on these.

8 Parish Council Website (concerns over transparency)

- Put everything possible on the website
- Kate Morgan will take a look at this and consider taking it on.

9 Correspondence.

- All received mail has either been circulated or forwarded electronically.

10 Representatives Reports

- Village Hall - no minutes received lately
- Amenity Fields - Cllr Paul Cooper reported that the fields were generally satisfactory and that the Wicksteed inspection was done in January, all okay.
- Muckleford - Cllr Buck . Cllr Denning reported that a complaint had been made by Fiona Sare about the speed of vehicles travelling through the village. Whilst not always breaking the speed limit of 30mph many drivers are travelling at speeds which are dangerous in a lane which has blind spots and no footpath. The problem is much worse when there are closures on the A37 but many of the 'speeding' drivers have been identified as local people. The District Council will not instigate a lower limit of 20mph until the danger is proved by accidents having taken place. It was suggested that residents might put up signs on their own land/property to remind drivers of the dangers. Cllr Desborough agreed to explore this possibility regarding design and locations.
- DAPTC - Cllr Cooper - March 23rd DAPTC conference "Getting Ready for Change" only one representative per council, cost of £60

11 Officers reports -

- Village Maintenance - Cllr Howard - still awaiting repair of pothole by railway bridge which is marked with white paint.
- Transport - Tim Collins - not present but the loss of the 212 bus will affect schoolchildren aged over 16 who currently use the 212 rather than paying more to use the school transport. *(Clerk to contact Stratton PC to make a joint approach on behalf of the sixth-formers and other passengers reliant on the service)*
- Footpaths and Rights of Way - D. Verner-Jeffreys
- Publicity - T. Putnam - nothing to report.
- Flood Warden - C. Snow - not present.

12 Planning -

H M Prison, Dorchester - appeal withdrawn.

Councillors studied the WDDC map showing planning areas for the next 20 years although no decisions have been made yet. One area in question is west of the bypass along the A35 towards the old radio station and whilst there is a need for housing, this is a designated AONB that needs to be preserved. A local plan would protect against speculative building. *(Councillors P.Meaden and P.Cooper will draft a letter to planning requesting that the AONB is protected)*

13 Finance -

Cheques done for	Village Hall rental	£84.00
	Amenity Fields Inspection	£54.00
Donation for Chalk Stream magazine		£50.00

14 Any Other Business -

West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland Local plan - (see planning)
Fly-tipping along Muckleford Lane - (see Democratic period)

15 Future Meetings Arranged -

AGM APRIL 27th, July 6th, Sept 7th and Nov 2nd, all booked.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.