

Brede Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25th February 2020 at 7:30pm in the Brede Village Hall

Present: Councillors L Nottage (Chair), J Armstrong, S Hampson, R Oliver, C Apps, M Wey and the Clerk.

- 276 a) Declaration of Interests:** None.
b) Dispensation Requests: Cllr Nottage for the Village Hall

277 Apologies for Absence: Cllrs J Johnson,

Minutes of the following meetings were considered.

- 278 a) Full Council Meeting 28th January 2020 – 239/19 – 267/19.** Cllr Wey proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Hampson. All members present agreed.
b) Planning Meeting 4th February 2020 – 268/19 – 271/19. Cllr Armstrong proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Hampson. All members present agreed.

- 279 Matters arising from the above including Work in Progress:**
 242/19 Mandate for the clerk to be a signatory now completed and delivered to the bank. Cllr Nottage now being registered for telephone banking.
 244/19 Cllr Wey reported that the drainage system in the area is not a combined sewer. This will be discussed at the next SLR meeting.
 247/19. There is now a new Chair and Vice Chair for the Village Hall. All is running well for the moment.
 257/19 No further action on the cobblestones to report for now.
Work in Progress. To add the requirement for notices on the recreation ground. Previous quote to be found and recalculated.
 Clerks probation period end to be put as an agenda item for March.

- 280 Finance**
a) Accounts to end January 2020

The clerk presented the accounts for January.

01.01.2020 – 31.01.2020

2019-2020													
Monthly Accounts for General Account										Breakdown			
Jan-20				Expenditure	Income	Balance	VAT	Admin	Salaries	Newsletters	transfers	Balance	reconcile
01.01.2020		Opening Balance				3672.56						3672.56	
08.01.20	D/D	tesco mobile	clerks mobile	-12.50		3660.06		-12.50				3660.06	28.01.20
14.01.20	2638	HMRC	PAYE Dec	-15.74		3644.32			-15.74			3644.32	14.01.20
28.01.20	D/D	EDF	Comm Hall electric	-33.00		3611.32		-33.00				3611.32	28.01.20
28.01.20	S/O	Wages		-780.00		2831.32			-780.00			2831.32	28.01.20
28.01.20	2639	D Jones	Village Green	-100.00		2731.32		-100.00				2731.32	06.02.20
28.01.20	2640	J Butler	Handyman Nov & Dec	-172.71		2558.61		-172.71				2558.61	06.02.20
28.01.20	2641	Active risk Management	play equip testing	-73.00		2485.61		-73.00				2485.61	04.02.20
28.01.20	2642	SLCC	Clerks membership	-140.00		2345.61		-140.00				2345.61	
28.01.20	2643	HMRC	PAYE Jan	-15.74		2329.87			-15.74			2329.87	06.02.20
28.01.20	2644	Business Stream	Comm Hall water	-69.50		2260.37		-69.50				2260.37	05.02.20
31.01.20	D/D	oncome	Vill Hall broadband	-38.11		2222.26	-6.35	-31.76				2222.26	31.01.20
Totals				-1450.30	0.00		-6.35	-632.47	-811.48	0.00	0.00		
									-1450.30				
		Bank Reconciliation											
		opening balance				3672.56							
		income				0.00							
		expenditure				-1450.30							
		plus unrepresented cheques				1201.95							
		Bank balance @ 31.01.20				3424.21							

These figures were proposed by Cllr Wey and seconded by Cllr Oliver. All members present agreed.

b) Cheques to be signed-

The clerk presented the list of cheques to be signed

Cheques to be signed 25.02.2020

Chq No	Feb 2020		
2645	David Jones	Village Green January	50.00
2646	Jon Butler	Handyman February	75.00
2647	SSALC	Clerks Training day	110.00
2648	Cllr L Nottage	Litter picking equipment	250.80
2649	HMRC	Inland Revenue payment January	15.74
2650	Viking	Envelopes and Labels	96.96
2651	Brede Village Hall	Village Hall hire	24.00
2652	Cllr Nottage	Replacement Community Hall keys	48.88

These figures were proposed by Cllr Apps and seconded by Cllr Wey. All members agreed.

281 Report/observation of the District and County Councillor – No reports

282 Statements, questions and comments from the public. None

Proceedings and reports of committees and working parties

283 Recreation Ground: four quotes had been received for the removal of the boat and two for its repair and for further repairs to the recreation ground equipment. After some discussion it was suggested that Safeplay Spaces should be asked to repair the boat, replace the swing shackles, lay new rubber matting under the swings and adjust the giro spinner to make it safe. There should then be another independent health and safety inspection done to ensure all is now up to standard.

284 Village Hall: New Chairman and Vice Chairman appointed at the last meeting.

285 Footpaths: No report.

Cllr Armstrong now has the definitive maps of the parish footpaths and also the maps from the 1930's. Cllr Oliver asked if the landowner of the footpath on Broadlands Row could be contacted and asked if some suitable gates might be installed. Cllr Oliver will see if the landowner will give permission to take this further.

286 Seats, trees, bus shelters and bins: No report

287 Community Hall: Cllr Nottage has now changed the locks and the Hall has been cleaned and tidied. A deposit for the keys will now be required from all hirers (£50). To start looking for funding grants.

288 Function on Recreation Ground: No report

289 Police Report: No report

290 Newsletter: Ready to go out.

291 Resilience Planning: Basically it is prepared but the difficulty is now finding the volunteers to put their names down to help. There is a need to identify possible helpers and write to them asking if they are prepared to help, medical people, farmers etc.

292 Website: The clerk has looked at which other councils use the Rother hosts and those using an alternative host. Councillors were asked to look at Crowhurst, Udimore, Bodiam and Peasmarsh, who all use Rother and then Battle and Whatlington who use Hugo fox and bring their thoughts and findings to the next meeting.

293 Speed Watch: The police were present in Broad Oak three weeks ago and issued 5 tickets. 66 cars were caught speeding in the last month, making 1403 in the rolling year.

Items for discussion

294 Dog Bins – There had been a request come in through the website about an extra dog bin on Broad Oak. Current dog bins are not outside residential properties. The suggested new sites would be right outside someone’s front door, which was felt to be unacceptable. After discussion it was felt there were no suitable sites away from residential areas. (Prior to the new contract starting Rother were not taking on any more bin emptying, so that will need to be checked before installing new bins.)

295 Bus Shelters – As the previous contractor had now contacted the clerk to say he could not do the work, two more quotes had been obtained. Cllr Armstrong proposed that the quote from LW construction was accepted. Cllr Oliver seconded. All present were in favour.

296 Boat on the recreation Ground – Following the earlier discussion under matters arising, the work discussed was proposed by Cllr Nottage and Seconded by Cllr Oliver. The majority were in favour.

297 Parish Assembly 2020 – Cllr Apps was asked to prepare the signs. The police have been contacted and will be present. The presentation will be first, followed by refreshments, then the council report, the police the District and County Councillors and finally the awards. It was suggested that the awards be presented by the previous year winners.

Routine Business:

298 Hedges: No report

299 Signing of cheques.

300 Any other business: Cllrs Nottage and Oliver reported that they went to the school to present an award for the colouring in the previous newsletter. The school was very welcoming and would be pleased to see the Councillors back again should another child win.

301 Date of next meeting:
Brede Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 31st March 2020 in Brede Village Hall at 7.30pm

With no further business, the meeting closed at 9.05pm.