

Brede Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th May 2015 at 7:30pm in the Brede Village Hall

Present: Cllrs L Nottage (Chair), R Came (Vice Chair), Mrs J Armstrong, Mrs C Collins, J Fowler, Mrs C Kynvin, Mrs R Oliver, Mrs K Pomeroy and I Stone. County Cllr C Maynard, PCSO Georghiou, the Clerk and 1 member of the public were also present.

13 a) Declaration of Interests: None

b) Dispensation Requests: Cllrs Came and Fowler as members of the Village Hall Management Committee.

14 Apologies for Absence: District Cllr J Johnson.

Minutes of the following meeting were considered.

15 Full Council Meeting - 28th April 2015 407/15 – 436/15. Cllr Mrs Armstrong proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Collins. All members present agreed.

16 Extraordinary Meeting – 6th May 2015 437/15 – 439/15. Cllr Mrs Collins proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Oliver. All members present agreed.

17 Annual Meeting – 13th May 2015 1/15 – 12/15. Cllr Mrs Pomeroy proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Armstrong. All members present agreed.

18 Matters arising: -

417/15 – Village Hall toilets now well underway.

412/378/336/15 – Results of speed survey now received. The speeds in the data are under those mentioned in 2012, however, a 40mph zone is not going to be installed in 2015/16. Chris Tree to be invited to the next SLR meeting.

19 Finance:

a. Accounts to end of April 2015

	Cheque previously presented	Chq no	Net	VAT	Total
	28/4/15 - 26/5/15				
BT	Phone bill	D/D	112.93	22.59	135.52
L Bannister	Wages (April)	S/O	278.54		278.54
	Wages				
	underpaid/internet/travel				
L Bannister	/allowance	2124	237.80		237.80
Post Office Ltd	PAYE March	2125	79.80		79.80
Brede Village Hall	Hire of hall Jan – Mar	2126	40.50		40.50
J Butler	Handyman March	2127	72.00		72.00
Southern Water	Community Hall water bill	2128	30.03	1.99	32.01
	Supply slabs for bench				
P & Builders	base	2129	80.00		80.00
Rother District Council	Dog waste bin emptying	2130	454.13	90.83	544.96
East Sussex ALC Ltd	Subscription	2131	514.05		514.05
	Annual Assembly sign &				
Cllr R Came	travel	2132	25.50		25.50

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Viking	Stationery	2133	95.43	19.09	114.52
Aon UK Ltd	Insurance for bench	2134	1.60		1.60
D Jones	Village green March/April	2135	95.00		95.00
	Total		2,117.31	134.50	2251.80
	Grand Total				<u>£2,251.80</u>

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

b. Cheques to be signed – These figures were proposed by Cllr Nottage and seconded by Cllr Mrs Oliver. All members present agreed.

- 20 Police Report:** PCSO Georghiou reported that there had been no major incidents. There have been reports of scam mail, dog bites, 3 traffic accidents (no serious injuries), a missing person, firearm inspection and reports of a naked male!
 Next month officers will be issued with the new mobile devices which will allow paper work to be completed without having to go back to the police station.
 PCSO Georghiou offered his apologies as he will not be able to attend the meetings in June and July.
 Q: Can Speed watch operate outside the school? No problem as it is a designated site.
 Query regarding persistent parking on zigzag lines – unfortunately police cannot go out to deal with it.

With the agreement of the Cllrs item 9g on the agenda was brought forward.

- 21 Use of Community Hall by PCSO** – With the new technology it would be useful for the PCSO to have a base in the village. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Collins and seconded by Cllr Mrs Pomeroy that the PCSO be allowed to use the Community Hall for lunch breaks and as a contact point for the village. All members present agreed.

- 22 Report/observations of District & County Councillor:** County Cllr Maynard is glad to be back, the turnout for the election was outstanding.
 RDC annual meeting tomorrow. Some changes – Cabinet to comprise 5 rural members and 5 from Bexhill. Aim to protect Community Grants for this term. There are still plans for regeneration over the district.
 ESCC – cuts of £70 – 90million will need to be made between now and 2020.
 Work continues on the Link Road, it will open this year. There is a legal challenge to the Baldslow link (Hastings Borough Council), should start in 2016. Cllr Maynard still pressing not to close Maplehurst Road. Junction Road to be turned into a cycle route.
 Council Tax – capping unlikely to change (i.e. under 2%). Greg Clark now Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government - fair to say that councils should get a fair deal.
 Q: The Council is not impressed with the results of the speed survey. Cllr Maynard will look for compromise. Should meet with Highways Steward on site.
 Q: What are the criteria for Community Grants? One off capital project for the village.
 Q: At the Annual Assembly PCC Katy Bourne was asked about parking on the pavement. Why does RDC have no parking wardens? RDC and Wealden do not have decriminalised parking – if they did, there would have to be charges for street parking. This would become the responsibility of ESCC and would be very expensive to administer. It would probably not generate the same sort of income as Hastings for example.
 RDC cannot afford to employ traffic wardens but if it did, they would probably not be used in the villages.

- 23 Public questions:** none

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Proceedings and reports of Committees and Working parties

- 24 **Recreation Ground:** All ok.
- 25 **Village Hall:** At the meeting on 21st May payment for the new small tables was raised. A door in the Ladies toilet was slightly mis-designed (now amended). Link for the Village Hall to be put on the Parish Council website. Letter regarding VAT to be written to HMR&C. A co-ordinator is needed for the Farmers' Market.
- 26 **Footpaths:** Footpaths 11 and 12 are being looked at by Highways to see if they can maintain them. No information on 23c yet.
- 27 **Seats and Bus shelters:** Bus stop at village green knocked over. Millennium seat damaged.
- 28 **Brede Voluntary Car Scheme:** Has been quiet.
- 29 **Community Hall:** See Items for discussion.
- 30 **Affordable Housing:** No report.
- 31 **Newsletter:** Date for copy is 3rd July. Would like to include a resume of councillors.
- 32 **Playground Association:** Quiz Night 20th June 2015 in Village Hall.
- 33 **Emergency Planning:** Nothing to report.
- 34 **Website:** Need photographs of village.
- 35 **Speed Watch:** Meeting tomorrow.

Items for discussion

- 36 **Register of Attendance** – Cllr Mrs Oliver proposed that a register of attendance be used at all meetings of the Parish Council. This was seconded by Cllr Stone. All members present agreed.
- 37 **Annual Report of Parish Council's Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2015** – Mrs Kynvin proposed that the Accounts were approved. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Armstrong. All members present agreed and the accounts were signed by Cllr Nottage and the Clerk.
- 38 **Bus timetable** – The number 2 bus starts at the Northiam Road bus stop at 9.28am, 2 minutes before the start of the senior Citizens bus pass. Cllr Mrs Oliver proposed that a letter be sent to the bus company asking for the start of this service to be re timed to 9.30am. This was seconded by Cllr Stone. All members present agreed.
- 39 **Annual Assembly** – Date set for Annual Assembly as 13th April 2016. Suggestions for speakers included RNLI, RSPB, RSPCA, Lydd Airport, Dungeness Power Station, Brede Giants, Bat Conservation and Fire Safety.
- 40 **Set up Working Party for Vehicle count** – Cllr Came to coordinate.
- 41 **Issues raised at Highways meeting** – Setts replaced in Conservation Areas – investigate the pros and cons of conservation areas.
- 42 **Use of Community Hall by Clerk** – It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Oliver that the Clerk uses the Community Hall as an office for 2 hours per week. This was seconded by Cllr

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Fowler. All members present agreed.

Routine Business:

43 Hedges: Chitcombe Road (will not now be cut until autumn – birds nesting).
Oak at Moel Bryn.
Sunnyside.
Rosteague.

44 Any other business: At what age can one become member of Youth Council?
Date for Garden Competition presentation to be set in October.
Next Village Tidy Up 22nd August 2015 form 10am – 12pm.

Date of next meeting:

Brede Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 30th June 2015 in Brede Village Hall at 7.30pm.

With no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm.