



BREDE PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 29th March 2022 at 7:30pm in Trinity Methodist Church Hall

Present: Councillors L Nottage (Chair), S Hampson, M Wey, G Olson and J Allison.

In Attendance: Clerk Tracy Dixon

269 Public Question Time

There were no members of the public.

270 Apologies for Absence: R Oliver and C Apps. County Cllr C Maynard also sent apologies.

The Chair, Cllr L Nottage then paid tribute to District and Parish Councillor Jonathan Johnson who had sadly passed away unexpectedly the previous week. He spoke briefly about his work and time as a District Councillor, (1999 to 2003 and then from 2007 onwards) and also as a Parish Councillor (from 2019).

A minutes silence was held.

271 a) Declaration of Interests: Cllr Nottage for the Village Hall, Cllr Hampson for the Payments to authorise.

b) Dispensation Requests: Cllr Nottage for the Village Hall.

272 Minutes of the following meeting were considered.

a) Full Council Meeting 22nd February 2022 235/2021 - 256/2021. Cllr Hampson proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Allison

Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes for signing.

273 Update on Work in Progress and Clerks report.

The work in progress had been circulated and was noted. The clerk had attended two training sessions on Parish Online which had been hugely beneficial, and attended the first face to face meeting of the Rother Clerks network for two years.

The defibrillator battery was now out of date, the clerk had ordered a new one, which would be arriving in the next few days. The defibrillator was still functioning. The clerk was asked to check with the fire brigade that the defibrillator at the fire station was still in working order and accessible for use.

274 Chairs Report.

Cllr Nottage had attended the Police Online forum. The main topics had been speeding and Rural Policing. It was confirmed that all information gathered now goes into the 'Big Data' programme and is used to target resources. This will affect the amount of policing seen in the parish, if there is no crime reported, there will be less police presence.

The Tree had been planted on 11th March, to commemorate the 70th day of the Platinum Jubilee. The whole school had attended, with the school council helping with the planting. The Chair has been receiving phone calls from withheld numbers and people refusing to give a name. He has now blocked these calls and will not answer them.

275 Correspondence.

A letter (via Email) from NALC for smaller councils. Response required by 30th April. It had been circulated to councillors for comment

Email from Rother Street Naming department. The new houses at Smoles will be known as Lea Close.

An email from Firle PC who are looking to share the costs of a Traffic Radar purchase.

276 Reports from the District and County Councillors.

None.

277 Finance**a) Accounts to end February 2022**

The Clerk had circulated the receipts and payments (see appendix A), bank reconciliation and the budget to date spend for February 2022. Cllr Olson proposed that the figures be approved and Cllr Wey seconded.

Council RESOLVED to approve the accounts, bank reconciliation and budget spend for February 2022

b) Payments Schedule for March 2022

The clerk presented the list of payments which were due for payment in March. Cllr Allison proposed they were approved and Cllr Olson seconded.

Council RESOLVED to approve the payment schedule for March 2022

D/D	Tesco Mobile	Clerks Phone	£12.50
D/D	Onecom	Village Hall Broadband	£40.90
BACS	Jon Butler	Handyman February	£95.00
BACS	Trinity Methodist Church	Hall hire February	£32.00
BACS	ESALC	Councillor Training £192.00 Clerk and Chairs training £96.00	£288.00
BACS	Safeplay	Playground Inspection	£90.00
BACS	Chagos Consulting	Parish Online training, 101 and 103 £15 each	£30.00
BACS	Stephen Hampson	Purchase of Tree from English Woodlands	£103.84
BACS	Phillip Ades	Felting of Bus stop roof	£104.00
BACS	Wealden Ad	March newsletter printing	£263.00
BACS	Julian Bone	Tree works £1595.00 Hedge Cutting £875.00	£2470.00
BACS	T Dixon	Defibrillator Battery from Defib Warehouse	£294.00
BACS	T Dixon	Wages for March	£1122.26
BACS	HMRC	PAYE	£192.64
D/D	NEST	Clerk Pension, to note details only Employers Contribution £91.65	£164.97

Proceedings and reports of committees and working parties

278 Recreation Ground and equipment. Agenda Item

279 Village Hall: A new cleaner was due to start. They are still looking for grants towards a disabled toilet, and may possibly apply to the Parish Council.

280 Footpaths. No new concerns. There has been no response about the Moorsholm footpath, Cllr Olson will chase.
Concerns were raised about the increased parking on footpaths around the village. Clerk to inform the PCSO's

281 Seats, trees, bus shelters, bins and hedges. Council noted that the tree work had been completed and the Hedges cut back. The bin in Chitcombe Road had not been emptied, Clerk to report.

282 Community Hall: Agenda Item

283 Newsletter: Council considered a suggestion that the newsletter be renamed and rebranded, due to possible confusion with it being a church publication. The new suggestion is, Brede and Broad Oak Community Newsletter, published by Brede Parish Council. Clerk to make up a front cover for circulation.

284 Speed Watch: Meetings have started again, 1st Monday of the Month in the Village Hall. New volunteers coming forwards, training to be organised. 76 vehicles logged as speeding out of 192 in an hour, the fastest was 54mph. Speeding is still an issue, it needs more people over more sites on more days to have an impact.

285 Update on Queens Platinum Jubilee
Band booked but require power, clerk to check with Cllr Oliver if this is arranged. Bunting to be purchased, posters needed, clerk to see if Cllr Oliver is organising this. First Aid to be considered.

Agenda Items for discussion

286 Layout of Recreation Ground.
The current and possible future layouts of the recreation ground were considered, placement of pavilion, play equipment and possible future memorial. Consideration of vandalism, placement of services if pavilion moved, and other factors were discussed. Cllr Allison proposed that the layout be kept the same, with any future pavilion being put where the old one was, and the right hand corner be reserved for any future memorial.
Council RESOLVED (majority decision) to keep the layout the same and reserve the right hand corner.

287 Quote for a new pavilion design.
Three quotes to produce a new design had been received, and circulated. There was a suggestion that a prefab might be an alternative to consider before getting the architect to draw up a design. The clerk to make some preliminary enquiries.
Council RESOLVED to use Baker Architectural should a new pavilion design be required.

288 Quotes for new play equipment.
Quotes for new play equipment had been circulated. Following discussion, it was felt that the Captain Mannering had the best play range, and a mulch floor the better value and safer option. Funding would be required, at least 50%
Council RESOLVED to purchase a Captain Mannering, (no roofs) on a mulch Surface, once a minimum of 50% funding was sourced.

289 Black Cat Recording
Council felt that a minimum of four places were possibly needed, but Cllr Wey requested that the item be deferred to allow time to consider the best options.
Council RESOLVED defer this item to a future meeting

290 Risk Management Scheme
The risk management scheme had been circulated. No amendments were requested.
Council RESOLVED to accept the Risk Management Scheme

291 Playground Repairs
The recent playground inspection had been circulated. Council noted the comments about the deterioration of the boat. It was felt that the weed on the mulch was not at a level that needed treatment for now.
Council RESOLVED to have the cap replaced and the operator sign installed at a cost of £412.00 plus VAT

292 Asset Schedule
The Asset Schedule had been circulated with replacement costs
Council RESOLVED to accept the Asset Schedule and for the clerk to obtain three quotes for insurance renewal

293 Parish Assembly

Due to the current levels of Covid Council felt that the Parish Assembly should be kept brief. No speaker, just reports and presentation of awards, (shields and garden competition). Parish Assembly would be 18th May at 7pm. Boards to be prepared and up by 29th April.
Council RESOLVED to keep the Parish Assembly brief, purchase the plaques and engrave the shields ready for presentation.

294 Items for noting or for including on future agendas.

There was to be an SLR meeting on 25th April. The clerk requested that councillors notify her of any agenda items required by 8th April.
Black Cat Speed Device bookings
Neighbourhood Plan
War Memorial/Remembrance Memorial

295 Date of Scheduled next meetings

Planning Meeting 12th April at 7.30pm at Trinity Methodist Church Hall
SLR Meeting 25th April at 2pm at Trinity Methodist Church Hall
Council Meeting 26th April 2022 7.30pm in Trinity Methodist Church Hall.
Parish Assembly 18th May at 7pm in the Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.35pm