



# BREDE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7:30pm in Trinity Methodist Church Hall

**Present:** Councillors L Nottage (Chair), S Hampson, J Allison, M Wey, R Oliver, G Olson and M Griffiths

**In Attendance:** Rother DC Neil Gordon and the Clerk.

**305 Public Question Time. None.**

**306 Apologies for Absence:** None

**307 a) Declaration of Interests:** Cllrs Nottage and Oliver for the Village Hall  
**b) Dispensation Requests:** Cllrs Nottage and Oliver for the Village Hall.

**308** Minutes of the following meeting were considered.  
**a) Full Council Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 268/2022 - 298/2022.** Cllr Allison proposed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Oliver.  
**Council RESOLVED to approve the minutes for signing.**

**309 Update on Work in Progress and Clerks report.**  
The work in progress had been circulated and was noted. The clerk reported that the mugs were in production and due to be delivered next week.

**310 Chairs Report.**  
Cllr Nottage had attended the formal opening of the new play equipment.

**311 Correspondence.**  
Most correspondence had been circulated. The clerk had received notification from Rother that the dog bin emptying charge for 2023-24 would be £3.30 per bin per week.

**312 Reports from the District and County Councillors.**  
**Rother District Cllr Neil Gordon** reported that the toilets in Bexhill were being devolved to the Town Council.

**East Sussex County Cllr Carl Maynard**  
No report had been sent in.

**313 Finance**  
**a.** Accounts to end of February 2023  
**b.** Payment schedule for March 2023  
**c.** Virement for the year end  
**Council resolved to** **a) to approve the accounts to the end of February 2023**  
**b) to approve the payment schedule for March 2023**  
**c) to approve the virements for the year end.**

### Payment Schedule for March 2023

			Net	Vat	Gross
BACS	Dash	Coronation Mugs	927.50	185.50	£1113.00
D/D	Tesco Mobile	Clerks Phone			£12.50
D/D	Onecom	Village Hall Broadband	37.25	7.45	£44.70
BACS	Sovereign	Play equipment	16985.88	3397.18	£20,385.06

BACS	Wealden Advertiser	Newsletter			£370.00
BACS	Jon Butler	Handyman February			£89.95
BACS	Safeplay	Repairs to play equipment	141.50	28.30	£169.80
BACS	Trinity Methodist Church	Hall Hire			£36.00
BACS	Uniserve 30447	Emails for March	42.40	8.48	£50.88
BACS	T Dixon	Wages for February			£1067.51
BACS	HMRC	PAYE			£97.33
D/D	NEST	Clerk Pension,			£147.84

### Proceedings and reports of committees and working parties

- 314 Recreation Ground and equipment.** The herras fencing had still not been removed. The clerk was continuing to chase the company.
- 315 Village Hall:** Hiring charges will be going up again in August. New china is to be bought so there are 100 settings, but it will be kept in the locked store. The Village Hall committee would like to Parish Council to return to meetings in the Hall.
- 316 Footpaths.** The footpath behind the Village Hall has been reported, for flooding, drainage and leaning fence issues. Cllr Olsen will try and find a direct contact with the Rights of Way team for quicker reporting. The Right of Way website is very out of date with unresolved issues.
- 317 Seats, trees, bus shelters, bins and hedges.** Cllr Oliver has cleaned the Bus stops while putting up new posters. The seats are due to be installed in the next couple of weeks.
- 318 Community Hall/Pavilion :** The Architect had sent a revised plan. The working party are due to meet next week.
- 319 Newsletter.** The clerk will start the advertising renewals in April.
- 320 Speed Watch:** No report.
- 321 Highways Items:** An SLR meeting had been booked for 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 2pm, agenda items must be sent by 8<sup>th</sup> May. The roadworks in Northiam Road are already crumbling. The rubbish left by the bus stop has been reported. There is lots of rubbish in the Northiam Road and Chitcombe Road laybys. The parking at the Garage in Cackle Street is becoming more of a problem with vehicles blocking the paths, to ask the PCSO to take a look. The clerk to chase up the consideration of bollards at the Twitten in Udimore Road. To add to the SLR meeting if bollards can be considered for Millers Dale in Kingwood Hill
- 323 Recreation Ground Layout working group.** This will be incorporated into the Community hall/Pavilion report.
- 324 Coronation Celebration Plans:** A possible children's crafts/party in the morning, a tea party for the afternoon, and possibly a band and a dance in the evening. All to be confirmed. Quotes and costings to be obtained and a grant applied for from Rother to help fund events.
- 325 Pottery Lane Woods:** The tree preservation order was turned down. No further update.

### Agenda Items for discussion

- 326. Review of Policies.** Councillors had all read the policies. The only changes had been updates to the clerks email address.  
 Scheme of Delegation Policy  
 Grievance Policy  
 Publication Policy  
**Council resolved to adopt all three policies again. Policies to be reviewed in 3 years unless there is a legislation change.**

- 327. Repairs to Benches and Bus Stop.** Council discussed the quotes received and discussed the works to be done.  
**Council resolved to ask Hunnisetts to do the repairs at a total Cost of £480.00**
- 328. Small fence for the Village Green.** Councillors considered the quotes, but also considered that possibly white posts and a white chain might look better than black or stainless steel.  
**Council deferred this item to April, to get a revised quote for white posts and chain.**
- 329. Publication of Newsletter on the Council Website.** Councillors discussed the publication of the Newsletter on the Council Website.  
**Council resolved that the newsletter should be published and available on the Council website one week after it was delivered to homes.**
- 330. Items for noting or for including on future agendas.**  
Fence on Village Green  
Grit Bin  
Telephone Box in Cackle Street (discussion item only)  
Broad Oak Sign (discussion item only)
- 331. Date of Scheduled next meetings**  
Council meeting 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the Trinity Methodist Church hall.

**The meeting closed at 8.40pm**