

BROCKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST 2010 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 6.00 P.M.

PRESENT J Hunt (Chairman), Mrs C Neal, J Clarke, M Collins, Mrs I German, Mrs C Green, F Green, I Barnes, G Gair, G Browning, M Tester, J Shellswell, Mrs J Flounders, R Furolo, Mrs J Shirley (Clerk)

Members of Public Present: Three

Members of Press Present: None

Paul Skelton, Development Control Manager from Tewkesbury Borough Council was present to give a talk on Planning. Since January 2009, the parish council has objected to 14 applications, 9 of which TBC permitted development and 5 were refused. There were a number of questions from councillors which Mr Skelton answered. Mr Skelton agreed to look into the flooding issue at Lobleys Drive and suggested that the parish council collate evidence (dates, photos, etc) about flooding to support future objections based on flooding problems.

The parish council meeting opened at 7.05pm.

48/FC TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Perez, Gardiner, and Lefevre-Wellard. The meeting accepted the apologies and the reasons given for their absence.

49/FC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

50/FC POLICE REPORT

The Crime Statistics Report for July 2010 was circulated. PCSO Dan Mitchell and PC Robin Guest were present and gave an overview of the breakdown of the figures. Cllr Neal asked if there was any further information regarding budget cuts. PC Guest explained that the County Council funding was due for renewal in November.

51/FC MINUTES

The minutes from the Full Council Meeting held on 7th July 2010 were accepted as a true record of the meeting and were approved.

52/FC COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

The reports were circulated. Cllr Browning asked if the funding for the new Coopers Edge School was under threat. Cllr Collins explained that the new school was not under threat and was still planned to open on schedule.

Cllr Browning highlighted the need to request Tree Preservation orders on healthy trees that are identified as needing to be retained.

There was a discussion about the public art planned for Whittle Square. Diana Hatton will be coming to the parish council meeting on 1st September to outline the plans and discuss with the council. The council discussed consulting with residents regarding the plans and it was agreed to wait until after the September meeting before deciding what action to take regarding consultation with residents.

53/FC PARKS, OPEN SPACES AND BURIAL GROUND

1. To receive Play Park and Burial Ground updates

The council received a written report that was circulated prior to the meeting. The Chairman reported an issue with trees at Pound Farm playing field and 3 branches needed to be cut down as an emergency. A problem with children climbing the trees and looking into residents' windows had been reported to the Police.

The Clerk updated the council regarding the bench for Gemma Denning at the burial ground.

2. Goalposts for Mill Lane playing field

The football club had highlighted to the council that the existing goal posts no longer conform to safety standards. Gloucestershire Playing Field Association has confirmed that the goal openings are also not to the correct size. The Clerk explained that Section 106 money was available to replace the goalposts. Cllr Collins

proposed purchasing aluminium round section goalposts (with net supports if needed). This was seconded by Cllr Flounders. 13 councillors in favour. Cllr Furolo proposed that the posts should be professionally installed, seconded by Cllr Shellswell. 12 in favour, 1 objection. Motion Carried. **Action: Clerk.** The meeting agreed that the Clerk should also look into having additional sockets on the playing field.

Cllrs Collins and Tester left the meeting.

54/FC

FINANCE

1. The Management Accounts for the financial year to date

The Council received and accepted the management accounts. Cllr Shellswell asked if the parish council would be affected by budget cuts. It was explained that the parish council's finances will not be affected until April 2011 and would be taken into consideration when setting the budget later this year.

2. Invoices due for payment

The meeting approved the schedule of invoices totalling £18,441.27+VAT. It was agreed to hold back posting one cheque payment until surface repairs had been satisfactorily carried out at the playing field.

3. Parish Mapping Online

The meeting considered subscribing to Parish Mapping Online and decided to defer the decision until the October meeting and councillors would look at the website in the meantime. **Action: Councillors.**

4. Notice Board Locations

The meeting agreed the locations for the 3 notice boards – outside Abbotswood Road shops, Chandos Fields and opposite Castle Hill Primary School. **Action: Clerk.**

5. Coopers Edge Notice Board

The meeting agreed to the purchase and installation of a new notice board to be installed at Gambet Road next to the bus shelter. Permission has already been obtained from the Consortium of Developers. **Action: Clerk.**

55/FC

SECTION 106

The meeting received an update regarding Section 106 funding obligations. The Clerk confirmed that Tesco's had been sent a letter to request further funding for the Community Bus.

The Clerk will follow-up a previous request for a bus shelter to be installed outside the Whittle Inn. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr Flounders proposed that we proceed with a Multi-Use Games Area at the Pound Farm playing field. Cllr Browning seconded. 12 in favour, no objections, 1 abstention. Motion carried. **Action: Clerk.**

56/FC

FETE

Receive final report on Fete 2010

A review of the Fete was circulated. A meeting was scheduled for Monday 29th November to look at what needs to be done for the Fete 2011. Enquiries will be made regarding availability and costs for the Fete in preparation for this meeting.

Cllr Flounders extended thanks to all those that got involved and assisted with the fete this year.

The meeting agreed the following payments to be paid in respect of the Fete:

(Reimbursement of stall / raffle money)

Forgotten Years	£25
Chiropractic Wellness Clinic	£5
Brockworth Mothers Club	£55
Day Centre	£35
Brockworth 1st Brownies	£45
29th Gloucester (Brockworth) Scout Group	£365
RBL Womens Section	£108
Coopers Hill & Brockworth WI	£28
Streethouse Studios	£10
Little Gems Playgroup	£30
Brockworth Pre-School	£91
Busy Bees Playgroup	£105
John Paul Promotions	£5
Brockworth Allotments Association	£87
Brockworth Puppy & Dog Training	£30

Other payments

2 staff volunteers	£50 each
1 parish volunteer	£25
MG Bassett (Dog Agility)	£100
Three Bridges (band tent loan)	£40

57/FC

PLANNING MATTERSAutumn Training with GAPTC

The meeting discussed the planning training organised by GAPTC for the whole of the county and felt that with the upcoming elections in May it was not the right time to be attending training. The Chairman noted that the council will pay for any councillor wishing to attend the training and bookings should be made through the Clerk.

The meeting noted the following planning items:

Date application received	Reference & Ward	Location / Address	Details of Application	Comments from BPC
07.07.10	10/00638/APP HORSBERE	Parcel 8 Gloucester Business Park	Proposed substitution of 11 residential dwellings following permission for 73 residential dwellings (Ref: 09/01218/APP)	OBJECT 14.06.10 BPC continues to object to 3 storey dwellings. Out of keeping with the parishes that these houses will become part. Insufficient parking - only one parking space regardless of how many bedrooms. Increased flooding risk in an area which already routinely floods.
14.07.10	10/00731/FUL MOORFIELD	The Kia 147 Ermin Street	Install two dormer windows on the front elevation. Replace existing flat roof with a ridged roof on the rear elevation and build up existing chimney.	NO OBJECTION 20.07.10
14.07.10	10/00751/FUL MOORFIELD	3 Derwent	Two storey side/rear extension	NO OBJECTION 20.07.10
21.07.10	10/00219/ENF MOORFIELD	Plot 5030, Glos Business Park		ENFORCEMENT NOTICE
26.07.10	10/00786/FUL HORSBERE	40 Green Bank	Proposed single storey rear extension	

58/FC

IMPORTANT CORRESPONDENCE

The meeting considered the following items of correspondence:

Date	From	Details	BPC Comments
09/07/2010	Laurence Robertson MP	Football Club changing rooms funding letter	Noted
12/07/2010	TBC	Increased kerbside recycling items	Noted
12/07/2010	Brockworth Enterprise School	Invitation to Work Experience celebration 29th September 3.15-5.30pm	Chairman will attend unless any councillor wishes to go. Please let the Clerk know.
13/07/2010	GCC	Budget cuts impact on road safety & improvements	Noted
22/07/2010	Verity & Beverley Architects	Proposed new houses at Court Road, Brockworth	Discussed and noted.
23/07/2010	Brockworth Albion FC	Goal Posts funding request	Discussed under item 53/FC.2
23/07/2010	GAPTC	Planning Training dates	Discussed under item 57/FC
23/07/2010	GCC	Transport Seminars	Noted
26/07/2010	GAVCA	GCC Local Transport Plan Consultation - briefing dates	Noted
01/08/2010	Diana Hatton	Whittle Square Public Art	Discussed. Agreed that Diana Hatton be invited to September full council meeting. Cllrs Flounders, Hunt, Neal and Browning would represent BPC at information sharing meetings.
02/08/2010	GCC	Annual Highways & Transport Seminar 28th September 2010	Cllr Clarke agreed to attend.

59/FC

WARD REPORTS

Cllr Browning noted that the hedge owned by Persimmon Homes had finally been cut.

Cllr Neal noted that the weeds growing in the kerbs had gone; Cllr Gair had seen weed spraying taking place.

Cllr Flounders asked if the council could contact RBL about the weeds around the fence. It was agreed that it was not a matter for the council to be involved with unless the pavements were being obstructed.

60/FC

SEPARATE BUSINESS

The Chairman will move the adoption of the following resolution;

That under Section 100(A)(4) Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

Signed:

Date: