# MINUTES OF BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2018 6.30 PM – CLAYS LANE PARK PAVILION

***OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014 HAS BEEN ADOPTED***

***PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – 6.30 – 6.45 P.M.***

***PRESS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED***

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# Public question time:

**(24 embers of the public were in attendance)**

# update on the Bridge, Lynwood Road development Request support for objection to the recent

**Court Farm Lane planning application and Aviation Lane possible application**

# Present: Cllr M Ackroyd (chairman)

**Cllr F Smith (Vice chairman) Cllr P Palmer**

# Cllr N Slater

**Cllr M Hussain (left at 7.30) Cllr P Ackroyd**

# Mrs K Lear (clerk)

**In attendance: PCSO Kelly, PC Buckle**

# The chairman opened the meeting requesting a 1 minute silence following the sudden death of Mr Bob Fraser, a former County Councillor for Branston.

**608/25-9-18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted for Cllrs N Bostock, R Welch, N Hussain. The chairman advised the council that it was with regret that Cllr G Dennis had tendered his resignation.

# 609/25-9-18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS

None submitted

# 610/25-9-18 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING 17TH JULY 2018

**Resolved:** that the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record

# 611/25-9-18 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

**Public rights of way sub committee** - work is progressing. National forest walk has been confirmed. Path will be cleared prior to the walk.

**Toadhole sub committee** – another successful day keeping the path tidy. The gate post to the entrance of the site is lose. Clerk to action works.

**Branston in bloom** – Silver award was presented at the event on the 20th September. Congratulations were extended to the group.

**Allotment sub committee** – There is very little work done since last year. The allotments were not very good because of the hot weather. They are trying to tidy the left hand side. They have plans to turn part of the allotments into a car park. Water is the problem down there.

# 612/25-9-18 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The chairman reported on the following dates for diary:

* MacMillian Coffee Morning Saturday 29 September 2018 – 11 to 1pm
* Blue Bell planting – 3rd November 2018 – 10 am
* Flood bank programme of wrks - Imke Goalby will be attending the parish council meeting in October to communicate the flood bank plan works for 2019

The chairman requested that it be noted that the Riverside Hotel had kindly offered the use of the car park for the Branston Fishing Club

# 613/25-9-18 PRESENTATION FROM BURTON ALBION COMMUNITY TRUST

Unfortunately Burton Albion Community Trust were unable to attend.

# 614/25-9-18 FINANCE

**Payments for approval** (Invoices were available for members prior to the meeting) **Resolved:** that the following payments be processed

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| Maintenance | 389.58 |
| Tree maintenance - Clays Lane | 1000.00 |
| Tree maintenance - Toad hole | 1650.00 |
| Roundabout - Clays Lane | TBC |
| Maintenance - litter picking | 150.00 |
| Maintenance | 228.00 |

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| Utilities (water) | 44.44 |
| Professional fees | 198.00 |
| Maintenance - Pavilion - boiler | TBC |
| Maintenance - Expenses | 269.35 |
| Data protection | 40.00 |
| Payroll | 1805.00 |
| Broadband/Bt | 32.99 |
| Utilities (gas / electricity) | 159.26 |

Bank reconciliation August £154538.13 (includes Ear Mark Reserves) Cllr P Ackroyd approved the reconciliation

**AGAR** – The Annual and Accountability Return has been completed and the external auditor has confirmed that everything is in accordance with proper practices and no other matters have come to their attention. They have recommended that the parish council should ear mark funds for specific purposes.

# Internal audit appointment for 2018/19

**Resolved:** that Alan Toplis Associates will be appointed as auditor Fiscal year 2018/19.

# 615/25-9-18 PLANNING APPLICATION/MATTERS

**Amendment to the Neighbourhood plan**

Resolved: that clerk sets up a meeting with the neighbourhood plan steering group to explore how policies can be changed.

# Planning applications

Erection of 6 dwellings with associated parking Land East of Main Street, Tatenhill, Staffordshire – Refused

Proposed outline planning application – Land adjacent, Aviation Lane, 131 Affordable houses. Resolved: that comments be submitted in relation to infrastructure concerns, over development etc.

P/2018/00939 – Erection of 24 dwellings and demolition of existing garage – Court Farm Lane **Resolved**: that an objection be submitted.

P/2018/01042 – Howards Transport – Reserved matters Resolved: submit comments as per previous

# 616/25-9-18 INTRODUCTION OF COMMUNITY AWARDS

Proposals were circulated prior to the meeting

**Resolved:** that residents are asked for comments.

# 617/25-9-18 PURCHASE AND LOCATION FOR A MEMORIAL BENCH

**Resolved**: that the seat is introduced opposite the village hall. Clerk to proceed with order.

# 618/25-9-18 PARISH COUNCIL WW1 COMMEMORATIVE EVENT AT THE PEACEWOOD BRANSTON LEAS

**Resolved:** that the parish council will visit Paget High School to establish what works/project they may wish to support.

**Resolved:** that the plaques be replaced before the 11th November

**Resolved:** Consecration of peace wood to be investigated

# 619/25-9-18 OFFICAL OPENING OF ROUNDABOUT

**Resolved**: that the parish council will not be hosting a launch this time.

# 620/25-9-18 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 11TH NOVEMBER

**Resolved:** that the road is closed. Clerk to action. Chairman will be laying the wreath this year. Clerk to order.

# 621/25-9-18 STRIMMING RIGHTS OF WAY TO GIVE WALKERS AND THE LOCAL FISHING CLUB ACCESS, BRANSTON LEAS

**Resolved**: fishing club to meet up to discuss further.

# 622/25-9-18 REPORTS FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCILLORS, STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

**ESBC** – Cllr Mrs Ackroyd confirmed that ESBC are currently hosting a consultation with local residents

**Staffordshire Police** – Engagement day is planned for 17th November, 10 to 2pm at Clays Lane Sports Pavilion.

# 623/25-9-18 CLERKS REPORT, CORRESPONDENCE, POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR MEETING

No matters were raised.

# 624/25-9-18 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 23rd October, 6.30 p.m. Clays Lane Sports Pavilion

# CLLR MIKE ACKROYD

**CHAIRMAN – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL**