

GREAT AND LITTLE BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
IN GREAT BROUGHTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7PM ON MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2022**

PRESENT: Councillors - Geoff Ablett, Robert Jones, Deborah, Towler, Cathy Williamson and Susan Wilmot.

ALSO PRESENT: County Councillor - Bryn Griffiths, 1 resident. Clerk to Great and Little Broughton Parish Council: Angela Livingstone

22.124 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Apologies for absence had been received from Helen Eldabe. There were no declarations of interest.

22.125 TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 OCTOBER 2022 AND ANY MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting of 10 October 2022 were proposed as correct and approved. The Chair signed the document.

22.126 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME - The resident present enquired the Parish Council view on planning applications on Back Lane and the Jubilee House works. It was confirmed that there had been opposition to applications on Back Lane. The appeal had subsequently been dismissed which the Parish Council were not involved with. The resident advised of options going forward of a Class Q conversion or a purchase of the land which was likely to be purchased by travellers who had made two approaches. The Chair confirmed that the Parish Council had no view until a specific application was made and the merits of that would be looked at. He felt that all applications were treated fairly and with the wider interest of the village.

22.127 POLICE REPORT - to 13th November - 1 ASB personal, 1 criminal damage paint on property and 2 violence against the person.

22.128 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22.128.1 Councillors discussed the following applications received and made the observations shown:

22/02334/LBC - White House Farm, alterations internal and external -no objections

22/02490/FUL - Broughton Grange, High Street - new vehicular access - no objections

22.128.2 Planning Decisions by HDC

22/02055/CAT Blue Hall, 14 The Holme - tree works - Granted - The Chair informed of an interest in this application, he had not been made aware that there had been an application submitted prior to the works and had not been notified of by the council.

20/01110/FUL - Armstrong Richardson - refused

22/02183/CAT - 48 High Street, tree works - granted

Jubilee House - The Chair stated that he did not believe that there was an application made but a new entrance was being added. An email had been sent to Cllr Griffiths who had emailed enforcement, the clerk was asked to progress this matter also. **ACTION: Clerk**

22.129 VILLAGE MATTERS

22.129.1 Playground refurbishment - update - The Chair informed that work could be starting on site within the next week and a meeting was organised with AB Playgrounds on 19th November at 11.15am to discuss final specifications if anyone was free to attend. There was the need to close the entrance, councillors discussed options of closing the park or opening the gate entrance. It was agreed that opening the gate was not appropriate and the park should be closed. It was believed that work would take 3-4 days. The Chair advised that he would put a notice on the gate to inform. **ACTION: Chair**

22.129.2 Speed of driving through the village - Cllr Williamson informed that she would add the information to the website. There had been agreement of a potential issue from the Stokesley side of the village and an inspection would be carried out details on this would be added to the website. **ACTION: Cllr Williamson**

22.129.3 Holme Beck - The Chair informed that reeds had washed away and this could be removed from the agenda until there was contact from the trust.

22.129.4 Christmas Tree - Cllr Williamson displayed a photo of the chosen 10ft tree. The difficulties faced with getting electric to the tree were again discussed. As agreed at the previous meeting Cllr Wilmot had purchased some solar powered lights to wrap around the barks of the village green trees. It was uncertain how long these would remain lit during dull days and agreed that if the light was not adequate battery lights would be purchased. The Chair informed that he would obtain the items to erect the tree from a previous Parish Councillor who stored these and as had been agreed this would be erected on Saturday 26th November a time of 12 noon was agreed for this and wrapping the lights round trees. Cllr Towler to add a post to social media requesting support for the tree erection from the usual helpers and the idea for residents to decorate the tree with baubles. Clerk to add

the message to decorate the tree onto the Church newsletter. The Chair asked that councillors observe the erecting of the tree to ensure more people could do this in future.

ACTION: Councillors/Clerk

22.129.5 Village Communications / website - Cllr Williamson was still updating sections and would work on a contact form.

ACTION: Cllr Williamson

22.130 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

22.130.1 Fencing repair on the Holme - Cllr Griffiths had been informed materials were ordered and would progress.

Grass cutting contract - The Chair had been working on a tender which had been circulated and councillors were asked for any comment. It was commented that the licences mentioned would be restrictive to smaller companies, but agreed that this tender exercise did need completing as a large amount of the budget was spent on grass cutting. It was agreed that this be approved in December along with who to be sent to and a decision needed making by February. The Chair shared a map of the area which he had obtained to ascertain where the Parish Council were responsible for cutting, to be circulated electronically. The previous cutting rota was tabled and it was agreed that the current contractor should be met with to check information on the schedule. Cllr Towler and Cllr Ablett to progress. Cllr Williamson borrowed the key for the filing cabinet to see if further information could be gained and Councillors would photograph any areas felt to be part of the schedule and forward to the Chair.

ACTION: Councillors

22.131 DEVELOPING FUTURE PLANS / PROJECTS

Goals had been delivered to Cllr Wilmot and it was agreed that these be erected on 26th November.

22.132 PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT AND ROTA

Councillors discussed the report on advisories and response from AB Playgrounds. The Chair had progressed but had no figures in writing. He would request this and progress further at a meeting on 19th November. IT was agreed that new signage was needed in the park with a reminder that dogs were not permitted.

22.133 CORRESPONDENCE TO DISCUSS

22.133.1 The Clerk advised of correspondence on consultation on new road name 153 High Street, NYCC public path diversion order -Nos. 10.56/27 & 10.56/30, Meynell Hall, Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy consultation till 19.1, Invite from NYCC to PTC briefings, NY Police survey, NALC approved staff rate increase. RESOLVED increase approved by council, Clerk to change monthly salary and claim back pay.

22.134 FINANCIAL MATTERS

22.134.1 Financial Report – The Clerk gave information on the financial position. Payments- Clerk monthly salary, Net Sports £2100.00 purchased at lower cost than expected and spare nets purchased for less than budgeted, Amazon solar lights £68.97. Payments to approve: S Johnson grass cutting £1489.20 & £222.00, R Jones printing £28.80. Donations to approve - Village Hall £750.00 and The Globe £200. RESOLVED: Councillors approved payments and donations.

ACTION: Clerk

Precept request - to look at spending needs and approve precept for 2023/24 - Councillors discussed the current precept of £13,000 this year, which, due to the cost of living increasing alongside the grass cutting and clerk rates, would need increasing. The precept had not been increased sufficiently the previous year to cover the increases incurred. Councillors agreed that they did not wish to reduce standards for the residents and needed to ensure some funds were in place for maintenance of the play area. The Chair advised of a cost increase of 300% on play bark which was required. There was an expected increase from the new unitary authority to bring all areas in the new council in line. The work completed by the Parish Council for the village was discussed, it was agreed that this needed better communicating to residents. Support for the village hall was commented on and the Chair stated the responsibility to assist and offered to donate time and equipment for cinema nights to raise funds. To be progressed and approved at the December meeting.

22.135 APPROVAL OF POLICIES to progress compliance to enable the Parish Council to adopt the dignity and respect policy.

22.136 COUNTY COUNCILLOR/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR AND PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Griffiths confirmed that the new unitary authority would be in operation by 1st April 2023, there were consultations taking place. Neighbourhood Networks were to be introduced and Parish Councils were to feed into these.

22.137 Date of next meeting - Wednesday 14 December 2022 at 7.30pm in the upstairs room.

Adopted: _____ Date: _____

Chair of Great and Little Broughton Parish Council