

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF BRINDLE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 25TH JUNE 2018  
AT THE COMMUNITY HALL  
WATER STREET BRINDLE.**

**PRESENT:-**

**COUNCILLOR D. METCALFE (VICE CHAIRMAN) IN THE CHAIR - COUNCILLORS  
J.BALDWIN, C. HINDLE, MRS S. LONG AND J. SWANN.**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:- ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.**

**4644. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence were submitted from The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) Councillors Dr. P. McGovern, W. Nelson and Mrs B. Robinson.

**4645. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST:**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct the Clerk asked if any Member wished to declare an interest in any matter to be considered by the Parish Council at the meeting. No one did so at this stage.

**4646. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meetings of the Parish Council held on 14th May 2018 having previously been circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

**4647. ADJOURNMENT:**

**THERE THEN FOLLOWED AN ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO RAISE ISSUES AND QUESTION THE PARISH COUNCIL REGARDING MATTERS DEALT WITH. AS NO MATTERS WERE RAISED BY THE MEMBER PUBLIC THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.**

**4648. POLICE LIAISON:**

**(A) LIAISON:**

The police did not attend

The Clerk reported on the recruitment of additional police officers.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

**(B) CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:**

The Clerk circulated a copy of the latest consumer alerts from the County Council's Trading Standards Officer.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

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### **4649. COMMUNITY HALL:**

A report was presented on current activities. The Parish Council was invited to attend the Centenary Fields Event on 1st July 2018.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

*Councillor Mrs S. Long declared personal and non prejudicial interest in this matter in respect of being a representative of the Parish Council on the Community Hall Management Committee.*

### **4650. LALC REPORT:**

The Clerk submitted a consultation from the National Association regarding its future role.

Resolved:- That the Clerk discuss this matter with the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw).

### **4651. HIGHWAY MATTERS:**

#### **(A). FLOODING:**

It was reported issues relating to flooding had ceased temporarily due to the dry weather.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

#### **(B). HIGH COP:**

At the last meeting it had been reported that the highways sign had been re-erected. A local resident suggested that this was the wrong sign.

The Clerk had contacted the County Council who had indicated that according to their records the current sign was the correct one. The local resident had been informed.

Resolved:- That no further action be taken on this matter..

#### **(C). PIPPIN STREET:**

The Clerk reported that the County Council was still investigating the potential highways problem at the entrance to Pippin Fold where the road had been mounded up and extended into the carriageway.

Resolved:- That County Councillor Snowden be informed of the lack of progress on this matter.

#### **(D). STILES:**

The Clerk informed the Parish Council regarding the repair of stiles on two footpaths.

Resolved:- That the situation continue to be monitored.

#### **(E). PRIVATE ROAD:**

It was reported that Network Rail had completed the reinstatement work following the replacement of the railway bridge at Chapel Fold..

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A progress report was submitted on the work near Holly Bank, Private Road which started on Monday 18 June 2018. The work involved installing 60 metres of land drainage, kerbs and re profiling the road to send water away from Holly Bank.

Resolved:- That Network Rail be sent a letter of thanks regarding the reinstatement work near Chapel Fold and the progress on the scheme at Holly Bank be noted.

### **(F). TOP OTH LANE - ROAD SURFACE:**

The Parish Council was reminded that some time ago it was reported that the recently repaired road surface near 20 Top oth Lane was deteriorating, the County Council were informed but nothing seemed to have been done. This was still the case

Resolved:- That the County Council be asked to carry out this work as soon as possible.

### **(G). HILLHOUSE LANE - RESURFACING:**

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that Hillhouse Lane would be closed temporarily on Tuesday 3rd July to Tuesday 14th July 2018 for resurfacing work. The alternative route for traffic was via Sandy Lane, Windmill Lane, Gowans Lane and Oram Road.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

### **(H). SMITHY CLOSE /SMTHY LANE - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT:**

The Clerk reported that the potholes in Smithy Lane had been repaired.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

### **(I). HEAVY GOODS TRAFFIC IN THE VILLAGE:**

The County Council and the Planning Officer at Chorley Council had been informed of the current problems with Heavy Goods Vehicles in the Parish.

There had currently been no response.

Resolved:- That further developments be awaited.

### **(J). MARSH LANE - ROAD SURFACE :**

At the last meeting it was reported that the road surface was deteriorating in Marsh Lane, there were several potholes and the road was subsiding in certain parts.

The County Council had been informed but there had not been any progress.

Resolved:- That the County Council be asked to proceed with the repairs to Marsh Lane as soon as possible.

### **(K). SIGNS - SANDY LANE:**

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that at a recent site visit it was noticed that several of the road signs were leaning.

Resolved:- That the County Council be informed.

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### **4652. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:**

The Clerk reported on issues affecting the Parish Council.

Resolved: - That report be accepted.

### **4653. PLANNING REPORT:**

#### **(A). DECISIONS:**

The Clerk reported that planning permission had been granted for developments at Breworth Fold Bournes Row and Smithy Lane and a development at Sandy Lane had been refused.

Resolved: - That the report be noted.

#### **(B) APPLICATIONS:.**

The Clerk reported that three applications had been received since the last meeting one was for a development at Windmill Lane another was for a development at Smithy Close and the third was the resubmission of an application on Sandy Lane.

The Parish Council had no observations on the developments at Windmill Lane and Smithy Close and reaffirmed its views on the development on Sandy Lane.

Resolved:- That Chorley Council be informed of the views of the Parish Council on these three applications.

*Councillor J. Swann declared an interest in the application on Sandy Lane and took no part in the voting thereon.*

#### **(C). CENTRAL LANCASHIRE LOCAL PLAN REVIEW:**

The Clerk circulated a copy of a letter from the Leader of Chorley Council updating Members of the current progress.

Resolved:- That the letter be noted.

### **4654. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment.

1. Brindle Community Hall	Hire of Room June 2018	£20.00.
2. A. Harkness	Print Cartridges	£43.98.

### **4655. ANNUAL STATIONERY COSTS:**

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council of the Agreement with Hoghton Parish Council to share stationery costs and indicated that for the year ending March 2018. Hoghton Parish Council's share of the cost was £73.08 a cheque for this amount had been reimbursed to the Parish Council and paid into the bank.

Resolved: - That the report be accepted.

### **4656. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT**

The Clerk submitted a requests from the Treasurer of Brindle Historical Society , Brindle Voice, Boffs, The Gardening Club and Brindle Show for grants towards the expenses of these organisations.

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In the case of the Historical Society they had submitted a copy of their annual accounts which had been circulated.

Resolved: - That a grant of £100.00 be made to Brindle Historical Society and that with regard to the applications submitted by the other organisations grants be approved in principle subject to them submitting a copy of their annual accounts.

### **4657. VAT REPAYMENT:-**

The Clerk reported that VAT for 2017/18 had been reclaimed amounting to £240.50.

Resolved:- That the VAT Claim be noted.

### **4658. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AUDIT SYSTEM:**

The Clerk circulated a report dealing with a review of the Parish Council's Internal Audit System.

Resolved: - That the review be approved.

### **4659. RISK ASSESSMENT:**

The Clerk submitted a risk assessment report including the Council's Financial Systems.

Resolved: - That the risk assessment report be approved.

### **4660. NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA MEETING - EASTERN PARISHES:**

The Clerk reported on the meeting held on 13th June 2018 and in particular the provision of a story board at the Parish Pound.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted and Chorley Council representatives be asked to meet with the Parish Council and the Historical Society as soon as possible.

### **4661. CONSULTATIONS:**

The Clerk submitted consultation papers from the County Council regarding proposed changes to children and family well being service and the Shared Lives Scheme. Comments were made regarding the consultation documents.

Resolved:- That the consultations be noted.

### **4662. SHUTTLINGFIELDS TRUST:**

The Clerk reported that Blackrock Securities had paid the outstanding amount into the Natwest Bank account and he indicated the next steps in the winding up of the Trust

Resolved : That the report be accepted.

### **4663. PARISH PLAN:**

#### **(A). BENCHES:**

The Clerk reported that estimates had been submitted for the relocation of the bench in Oram Road to the alternative site across the road. The cost of removing the bench would be £430.00 and the cost of repositioning the fencing at the new site would be £300.00. The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that the County Council had agreed to pay for the cost of resiting the bench and the Parish Council would pay for the fencing.

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He had submitted the relocation estimate to the County Council for approval.

Resolved:- That further developments be awaited.

### **(B). WELCOME TO BRINDLE VILLAGE SIGNS:**

Following a site meeting the location of the signs had been identified and marked.

The Clerk suggested the next steps in the procedure.

Resolved:- That further developments be awaited.

### **4664. SILENT SOLDIER CAMPAIGN:**

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that it had agreed to buy one of these figures however when he wrote to the supplier he was told that they had sold out. They were re-ordering and they had now indicated that the designs were slightly different and the cost has gone up to £250.00 from £100.

It was also suggested that in view of the fact that the figure was meant to represent the soldiers who returned from the First World War and it may be appropriate to sit it at the Community Hall.

Resolved:- That the Community Hall be asked to consider this suggestion and whether they would wish to make a contribution to the cost of acquiring the Silent Soldier.

### **4665. FLYING THE RED ENSIGN:**

The Clerk submitted a request to mark Merchant Navy Day by flying the British Merchant Navy's `Red Ensign` flag on 3rd September 2018.

Resolved:- That the request be passed to the Community Hall Management Committee.

### **4666. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Monday 20th August 2018 at 7.30 p.m. at the Trinity Methodist Church Gregson Lane

**There being no further business the Chairman of the Meeting (Councillor D. Metcalfe) declared the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.**

**SIGNED  
CHAIRMAN**

**20TH AUGUST 2018.**