

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
BRINDLE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 7TH NOVEMBER 2022
AT THE COMMUNITY HALL
WATER STREET BRINDLE.**

PRESENT:-

**COUNCILLOR D. CRANSHAW (CHAIRMAN) COUNCILLOR D.METCALFE (VICE
CHAIRMAN) COUNCILLORS Ms L.CROASDALE Dr Ms P. McGOVERN W. NELSON
Ms B.ROBINSON AND J,SWANN.**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:- COUNTY COUNCILLOR A. CULLENS CHORLEY
DISTRICT COUNCILLOR S.CHAPMAN AND TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.**

5299. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors J. Baldwin, and Ms C. Singleton.

5300. CHORLEY STREET SCENE STRATEGY:

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Parish Council was addressed by Mr. C. Walmsley - Head of the Street Scene Strategy regarding the strategy and other related issues

.A Member raised the question of weed control on the pavements and gulleys in the Parish.It was reported that there had been recent changes to the procedure and the Council had reverted to using herbicides.

The reason for doing this was explained.

Another Member queried the situation with regard to verges on country lanes and suggested that weed control be used sparingly as sometimes there was no vegetation left after spraying. This was environmentally unsound and it was felt that grass cutters should be used on rural verges so as not to affect wildlife.

The current procedure was being reviewed and alternatives sought. The issue of Himalayan Balsam was also under review.

A recent example of the devastating affect of spraying herbicides was at the North West Electricity Substation site at Holt Lane which had been sprayed for no apparent reason.

Chorley Council would be asked to investigate,

Reference was also made to the need to increase litter picking activity in the Parish and in particular in and around Denham Quarry,Hillhouse Lane and the laybys where fly tipping was a problem following bonfire night.

The officer from Chorley would investigate these issues.

He was thanked for attending the meeting and then left.

5301. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST:

The Clerk reminded Members of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters on the agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. No one made a declaration at this stage.

5302. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 26th September 2022 having been previously circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Councillor D.Cranshaw).

5303 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:

**A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC RAISED THE FOLLOWING MATTER:
INTERPRETATION OF PLANNING ARTICLE Q - ANDERVIEW FARM:**

A Member of the Public reported on unauthorised development and Chorley Council's interpretation of the use of Article Q.

He also referred to the potential danger to life caused by the building of a wall in this location which had resulted in urgent repair work by National Grid.

He indicated that Chorley Council had denied knowledge of this and their response in his opinion was poor.

A Parish Councillor was concerned about Chorley Council's interpretation and lack of action in relation to Class Q. A similar situation had occurred in Pippin Street

The interpretation of these planning issues would be referred to the next meeting of Chorley Liaison Committee the Parish Council would be kept informed of the development at Anderview Farm and Chorley Council would be asked to continually monitor the development at Pippin Street to ensure it complied with any planning permission granted..

THE PARISH COUNCIL THEN CONTINUED WITH THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:-

5304. POLICE LIAISON:

(A). POLICING:

The police were not present. The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) reported on the appointment of a new Divisional Commander for the Southern Division which included Brindle.

There had been a range of consultations circulated since the last meeting regarding various topics. Police surveillance was taking place regarding possible thefts of high powered vehicles,

A Member reported on a recent incident in Holt Lane and the police lack of response arising from the matter. A report was also made regarding a recent incident at Denham Quarry.

It was also mentioned that teenagers had congregated on a residents garage roof. Photographs had been taken and the police notified and were taking action..

(B). CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:

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

5305. COMMUNITY HALL:

A report was presented on current developments. The Community Hall had been highly commended by the judges of the Best Kept Village Competition. Representatives of the Management Committee had accepted the award of first prize at the prize giving ceremony in October 2022.

The Chairman (Councillor D.Cranshaw) reminded the Parish Council that 2023 marked the centenary of the founding of the Community Hall.

5306. LALC REPORT:

Various consultation documents had been circulated to the Parish Council together with updates from LALC. The e - newsletter had also been circulated.

A member had indicated she would attend a LALC Training Course in November. However the course was full and her name had been included on the list for the next course. This would take place on 17th January 2023

The next annual Lancashire Parish and Town Council Conference would take place on Saturday 12th November 2022 in The Exchange at County Hall, Preston beginning at 9.30 a.m. Details of the issues to be discussed were reported.

The Chairman (Darren Cranshaw) was the Parish Council's delegate..

Comments relating to the request from NALC for comments on the DULHC Committee Funding Inquiry had been submitted to them.

5307. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

(A). FLOODING:

County Councillor Cullens and an officer from the County Council had agreed to visit the site again and discuss the problem with the farmer concerned.

(B). PIPPIN STREET:

It was understood the County Council had revisited the site and completed the work.

(C). MOTORWAY UNDERPASSES:

There had been no progress on the litter and lighting problems. County Councillor Cullens would visit the site and discuss the matter with Chorley..

Highways England would be asked to carry out the maintenance work to the lighting

and Chorley Council would remove the litter.

The Countryside Officer had been asked to replace the stile on the footpath to allow disabled access and a reply was awaited

(D). FOOTPATH SIGN - HOLT LANE:

Last time it was reported that the footpath sign has been damaged and the stile at Holt Lane needed replacing..

(E).SPIDs - POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

The latest update on the County Policy regarding the use of spids was circulated..

(F).WINTER SERVICE BRIEFING:

The current briefing note from the County Council regarding their winter service for highways was circulated.

(G). HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2023/24:

The County Council would be considering projects to be included in next year`s programme on 7th December and had asked Parishes to submit projects to be included in the Programme. Work at Duxon Hill was suggested.

Members were requested to submit any further suggestions to the Clerk.

(H). MOVING TRAFFIC OFFENCES:

The County Council was undertaking a 6 week Public Engagement exercise that would run until 26th November on their intention to apply for the new powers to enforce moving traffic contraventions.

(I)(I). STREET LIGHTING COLUMNS - ATTACHMENT:

The County Council had issued a statement of its policy relating to the attachment of objects to lamp posts. A copy was circulated.

(J) . TOP OTH LANE - ROAD MARKINGS:

The County Council had been asked by the County Councillor to carry out the repainting of the Slow markings.

(K) . MARSH LANE - GULLEYS:

The gulleys on Marsh Lane near Harry Croft were blocked.The.County Council would be notified.

5308.CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:

Details of the matters affecting the Parish Council

5309.PLANNING REPORT:

(A). Decisions:

The following decisions had been made since the last meeting of the Parish Council:-

1. Notification of tree works within conservation area Myrtle Cottage Sandy Lane. (App22/00885/TCON).- Granted.

2. Widening of driveway and extension of existing dropped kerb (retrospective) (resubmission of planning application 22/00395/FULHH) Ivy Cottage Water Street Street (App no 22/00926/FULHH). - Granted.

3. Application to discharge condition 14 (Invasive species method statement) of planning permission ref 22/00600/FUL (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of detached dwelling and garage) Brooklyn Sandy Lane. (App no 22/00972/DIS) - Granted.

4. Change of use from agricultural land to domestic use (use Class 3) for use as a driveway to Breworth Fold House including laying of hardstanding (retrospective) Breworth Fold House Breworth Fold (App no 22/00628/FUL) - Granted.

5. Single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory) two storey side extension side extension and roof lights. The Shippon Windmill Lane. - Granted.

(B). APPLICATIONS.

The following applications had been received since the last meeting:-

1 Application to discharge conditions 5 (soft landscaping) no 6 (boundary treatment) no 9 (dwelling emission rate) and condition no 12 (biodiversity enhancements for bats and birds) of planning permission 22/00296/FUL (Erection of detached dwelling following demolition of existing building) Pippin Fold Pippin Street (App no 22/001019/DIS).

2. Section 73 Application to vary condition no 3 (approved plans) of planning permission no19/00623/FUL (Conversion of existing barns to 4 dwellings and erection of 3 garages) to amend garage types and site layout Leigh Farm Marsh Lane. (App no 22/01075/FUL)

5315310. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The The Clerk reported the following accounts for payment :

1. Brindle Community Hall	Hire of Room November 2022	£20.00.
2.A.Harkness	Clerk Salary and Expenses Quarter ended 30th September 2022	£1226.44.
3.HMRC	Tax	£359.10
4.A. Harkness	Computer Set up	£40.00.
5.D. Metcalfe	Website Renewal	£71.86
6.Whitehead and Aldrich	Payroll Fees	£54.00 ✓

5311. BUDGET PROCESS:

The Clerk submitted a report on the process for the making of the annual budget.

5312. HALF YEARLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ESTIMATES 2023/24:

A half yearly financial statement and report was circulated dealing with the Parish Council's Estimates for 2023/24 the report gave details of actual spending in 2020/21 together with an update of spending in the current financial year and set out the proposed estimated spending for 2023/24.

The report revised the allocations for the Parish Pound, grant allocations, maintenance costs the cost of local elections and the upgrade of the Parish Council website. It was also recommended that the grant element for the community charge should be absorbed by the Parish Council.

The Clerk indicated the amount of expenditure required if the Parish Council was to meet these targets and the anticipated balance at the end of the year.

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) reminded the Parish Council that last year they had agreed that the Clerk should receive an annual increase in his salary.

The Parish Council then decided what the precept should be for next year.

The financial statement was accepted

The Estimates were approved and the Parish Council's 2023/24 precept on Chorley Council would be increased from £6,800.00 to £7500.00. to include a sum for an uncontested election plus the Clerk's annual salary increase of £300.00.

5313. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION - RESULTS:

The Clerk circulated a copy of the Judges report. This report would be circulated to the various organisations and placed in Brindle Voice.

5314. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

Condensed versions had been submitted to Brindle Voice. Councillor Dr Ms P. McGovern was thanked for producing these.

5315. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:

The Clerk reported that he had received an invitation from the Brindle St. James Parochial Church Council inviting the Parish Council to attend the Remembrance Day Service at the Parish Church of St. James on Sunday 14th November 2021 at 10.45 a.m.

The Mayor of Chorley had also invited representatives of the Parish Council to the Remembrance Day Parade in Chorley,

The invitation was accepted, and a wreath would be laid at the Memorial to the Fallen by the Vice Chairman (Councillor D. Metcalfe) on behalf of the Parish Council and that the wording on the wreath be as follows "In memory of all in the Parish who gave their lives."

5316. CIL HALF YEAR PAYMENT:

A half yearly CIL payment was reported amounting to £625.73 which had been paid into the Parish Council Bank Account.

5317. DAFFODIL BULBS:

Chorley Council had donated bulbs for planting and residents from Top oth Lane had agreed to plant some in this location.

It was also agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to two residents for the organisation of the Queen`s Platinum Jubilee Party.

5318. BOUNDARY COMMISSION REVIEW:

The review of Parliamentary boundaries would commence on 8th November 2022;

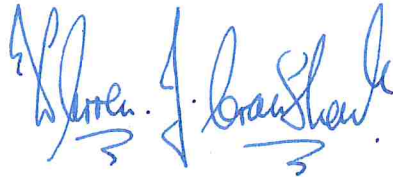
5319. CENTRAL LANCASHIRE LOCAL PLAN.:

Chorley Council was to consider Identified Local Sites at a special meeting in December and would then consult Parishes until February 2023.

5320. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 9th January 2023 at 7.30 p.m. at the Community Hall Water Street

There being no further business the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) declared the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.



SIGNED

CHAIRMAN
~~9TH JANUARY 2023~~
27th MARCH 2023.

