

**Minutes of the BRUISYARD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 11 July 2016, at 7.30pm in the Bruisyrd Village Hall.**

Present: John Marten, Peter Robinson, Anne Smith, John McKee, Thelma Barham, Paul Church

Absent: Stephen Stow

AGENDA

- 1. Public participation:** None.
- 2. Apologies for absence:** Stephen Stow.
- 3. Declaration of interests by Parish Councillors:** None.
- 4. Minutes of the last meeting:** Amendments have been made to items 2 in the minutes of the annual meeting of the Bruisyrd Council. Paul Church proposed that the records of the previous meeting with amendments accepted as a true record and John McKee seconded the proposal.
- 5. Matter arising:** none.
- 6. Village Hall Committee Report:**
Crib leagues starts soon. VH needs to be painted, request a quote from Mr Wilson from Knoddishall for painting the Village Hall in the autumn. Two parties took place last weekend and one this weekend. Current balance on the VH account is £12480.27. Equipment from Bruisyrd Young People has been moved to Saxmundham Youth Centre and they are very grateful.
- 7. Financial Matters:**

Stephen Stow proposed that financial transactions a) to o) were all in order and Peter Robinson seconded this proposal.

- a) Payment to SALC for annual subscription of £127.61 on 16/05/16
- b) Payment to Geoff Rogers for hedge cutting of £42.00 on 16/05/16
- c) Payment to Kindewood for grass cutting of £192.00 on 29/06/16
- d) Payment to Parish Clerk of £200.00 on 11/07/16
- e) Payment to Post Office Ltd. (HMRC) of £50.00 on 11/07/16
- f) Payment to Teresa McKee of £50.00 on 09/05/16 for cleaning
- g) Payment to Essex & Suffolk Water of £54.45 on 12/05/16
- h) Payment to Scottish Power of £41.00 on 16/05/16
- i) Payment to Kindewood of £120.00 on 08/06/16 for grass cutting
- j) Payment to Scottish Power of £41.00 on 15/06/16

- k) Clerk reported that SALC have done internal audit and have given us a report containing recommendation of what needs to be done during this financial year to tidy up our accounts. Full report is available from the Parish Clerk.
- l) At the last statement the Parish Council current account held £2968.74, the deposit account held £482.76 and the Village Hall account held £12480.27
- m) The Council has looked into the budget position as of July 2016. The Clerk reported that so far we are on target for spending and all costs are as expected. As it is only July not so many regular costs and charges have come in yet.

8. Review of PC assets and Risk Assessment: The Chairman and the Clerk carried out risk assessment of all council's physical assets including new play area. Risk Assessment is available from the Parish Clerk. Village Hall sign needs repainting and tending to. Anne Smith is happy to do but needs assistance. Anne Smith will contact David Barham with the view to discuss repairs. Village Hall sign over the door to the Village Hall needs taking down, oiling and putting back on. The painters will be asked to do it when they are repainting.

9. Broadband Update: Anne Smith reported that a contractor came and surveyed the land near Church Road, so assumption is that broadband will be brought in up to that point. Still no news on the meeting with BT although David Smith is persevering.

10. Use of Car Park: John Martin has an email from Sony Richards who enquired whether her son can leave his car in the Village Hall car park for a few days a week. Unfortunately, the permission cannot be granted as the planning permission for the Village Hall does not allow for parking for anyone other than those using the Village Hall or the playground facilities. It has also been decided to include a note in the next Parish Council newsletter to ask residents of the village not to park overnight in the VH car park.

11. Village Hall park benches: those need to be pressure washed. Picnic tables do not need painting and staining for the next two years according to the manufacturer.

12. Maintenance: park notice board and Village Hall sign: The Clerk has requested that the cork is installed for the Village Hall park notice board. Thelma Barham will check at home whether there is still some left over from the time when the College Road notice board has been done.

Rubbish bin in the corner of the park is very rusty and needs replacing. Bins and picnic benches came from the same place. We need to contact them to enquire if the replacement bin can be purchased. The Clerk to look at asset register and when the picnic benches were purchased. This will help us figure out where they were purchased from.

13. Date of the next meeting: Monday 12 September

14. Any other business:

John Marten informed the Council that Highways were supposed to come the verges but never came. Richard Cullen has now left he Highways so we need to find out who the new person is to speak to. Bruisyard sign is also almost covered by the greenery. Wait till September to see if it will be trimmed by SCDC, if not done then ask David Barham to do it.

Dog fowling still goes on. Anne Smith to put a note in the village newsletter to ask people to clear up after their dogs.

There has been a number of occasions at an address in Bruisyard when the police have attended in the past few weeks. The Parish Council will be writing to the owner of the property to draw attention to the issue.

Sonya Richards has mentioned to the member of the council that when fireworks go off in the village her dog gets very agitated. The Council will ask the residents of the village through the newsletter that if they intend to let off the fireworks please put up signs on the notice boards in the village making residents who have dogs to be aware.

Anne Smith has remarked that the village does not have any poppies in the village at all. Perhaps, we can spread some poppy seeds around to bring poppies back.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.15.