Minutes of the BRUISYARD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Monday 9 July 2018 at 7.30pm in the Bruisyard Village Hall.

Present: John Marten, Anne Smith, Thelma Barham, Paul Church, the Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. Public participation: Could the 30 miles an hour sign be moved from Church Street before the bridge next to the Bruisyard sign as there are more house now than when the sign was originally installed. The moving of sign carrier some financial costs. Perhaps, this could be done with the help of Stephen Burroughes and locality budget.
- 2. Apologies for absence: John McKee, Jacqui Grimwood
- 3. Resignation of the Councillor and Councillor Vacancy: Glynis Holman has handed in her resignation from PC almost immediately after taking up the post. Therefore, we now have a vacancy on the council. John Gibb has expressed an interest to be on the council but in a few months time. In the meantime, we should advertise councilor vacancy at notice boards in the village and in the newsletter.
- 4. Declaration of interests by Parish Councillors: none.
- 5. Minutes of the last meeting: The Councillors reviewed minutes of the last meeting. Anne Smith proposed that minutes of the last meeting are accepted as a true record. Thelma Barham seconded the proposal. All were in favour.
- 6. Matter arising: none.
- **7. Village Hall Committee Report:** John McKee was not present at the meeting, therefore, no report was presented to the council.

8. Financial Matters:

Thelma Barham proposed that financial transactions a) to i) were all in order and Paul Church seconded this proposal.

- a) Payment of £84.00 to Kindlewood for grass cutting made on 21/05/18
- b) Payment of £48.96 to SCDC for Rendham Road land rent made on 21/05/18
- c) Payment of £240.00 to the Clerk for Clerk's wages made on 09/07/18
- d) Payment of £170.40 to SALC for conducting internal audit made on 09/07/18
- e) Payment of £60.00 to Village Hall to reimburse the payment of PAYE and NI contributions to HMRC made on 09/07/18
- f) Payment of £15.12 to BSAC of 50% payment for village newsletter made on 09/07/18
- g) Payment of £84.00 to Kindlewood for grass cutting made on 09/07/18
- h) Payment of £258.31 to S Roberts for food & drink evening made on 17/05/18
- i) Payment of £323.20 to SSE Electric for utility services made on 26/05/18
- j) At the last statement the Parish Council current account held £3787.11, the deposit account held £483.44 and the Village Hall account held £10509.43.

- k) The clerk presented the current expenditure against the budget and everything is in order.
- The Clerk presented the report from the internal auditor SALC, they made a number of recommendations to implement in the next financial year which the clerk reported on to the council. Full report is available by request to clerk@bruisyard.com
- **9. Grass cutting:** The council has awarded the grass contract for the period from 2019 to 2021 to Kindlewood. The cost will be £75.00 per cut including Parish Council and Village Hall cuts.
- **10.** Current clerk's resignation and appointment of the new clerk: the council has received application from 3 people for the position of the clerk. After careful consideration it has been decided to give the position to Gill Owens who resides in the village. The outgoing clerk to arrange for handover.
- 11. Date of the Next Meeting: Monday 10 September at 7.30pm

12. Any other business:

Ditch needs clearing along the hedge at Village Hall. The willow tree by the bridge is hanging down & over the road, the tree needs pruning. Ask Daphne Kindred at Forge Cottage. Otherwise we need to speak to Highways.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.50.

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Bruisyard Parish held on Monday 21 May 2018 at 7pm in the Bruisyard Village Hall

Present: John Marten, John McKee, Thelma Barham, Anne Smith, Paul Church, the Clerk

Apologies: None

1. Parish Council Chairman's Report

Chairman welcomed everybody and thanked all for coming. Not much to report for the village. Some of the roads in the village are going to be repaired over the course of the next year. We welcomed new residents to the village. There were 3 planning applications to consider this past year.

- a) Council members: two council members have resigned since last year's meeting of the parish (Peter Robinson and Stephen Stow). Currently we have two vacancies which are being advertised. Current council members are: John Marten, John McKee, Anne Smith, Thelma Barham and Stephen Stow
- b) Rural coffee caravan still visits two times a year. It helps people gain access to the benefits, services and information.
- c) Wine tasting: 2 sessions a year where wines of various regions of the world are tasted, includes dinner.

2. Village Hall Report, given by John McKee, Chairman of the Village Hall Committee

Another successful year for the Village Hall. The VH is used regularly with many repeat bookings. We could do with a few more people on the village hall committee who can assist with looking after the hall and organising events as well as contribute to developing new ideas. Albert Lain is now on the committee. There is a need to get rid of the bins in the park as they are always full and people that picnic can use village hall bins for waste and recycling.

- a) **Report and Accounts**: Currently there is £348.76 in the Social Amenities fund for us to draw on for any future projects. The commemorative bench around the tree is now in place which was paid for the committee. Plaques are still to go on the bench. A pair of swings at the old playground needs to have spikes put in at the top to stop pigeons sitting on them and fouling on the swings
- b) **Elections**: Currently on the Committee: John McKee, Peter Robinson, Paul Church, Thelma Barham, Anne Smith, John Marten and Jake Church with input from PCC representatives: Sally Milton and Rupert Willis. It has been agreed that they committee will carry on with its current members.
- 4. **District and County Councillors Report:** both reports are available on the village website www.bruisyard.com
- 5. Questions from the floor: concerns were raised about an overgrown hedge outside James Ingmire's house as you go around the bend towards Bruisyard Hall. The clerk to contact James asking him to trim it.

There being no further questions from the floor the Chairman announced the meeting closed at 19.35.

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