Minutes of the BRUISYARD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2006, at 7.30pm in the Vestry, St Peter's Church, Bruisyard.

**Present:** The Clerk, Peter Robinson (Chair), Eleanor Berwick, John McKee, Oliver Hitchcock, Jeremy Holland-Howes and Margaret West.

- 1) **Apologies for absence:-** Apologies received from Shirley Smith and County Councillor Colin Hart.
- 2) Minutes of the last meetings:- The minutes of the last meeting had already been circulated and read. Eleanor Berwick proposed that the minutes be accepted and Oliver Hitchcock seconded this proposal. All were in favour.
- 3) Matters arising:- Mr Wareing has contacted the Clerk to inform the Council he is unable to authorise the installation of a bottle bank in the Park due to the overhead cables.
- 4) Sizewell A End Use Consultation:- A questionnaire as to the end use of Sizewell A land, after decommissioning, was completed and returned to the Sizewell A+B Stakeholder Group. The Members did not support it being used for the disposal of low level radioactive waste. They did not support its redevelopment as a business park but support its use as a site for alternative energy generation such as a wind farm. They opposed its use as a centre of excellence. If it is to be used as a nature and conservation area it must have public access. They suggested it could be used as a site for a windfarm as the infrastructure to distribute the electricity produced is already on site.
- **5) Planning Matters:- a)** The Snoasis planning inquiry is scheduled to open Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2007 and a pre-inquiry meeting will be held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November to help the Inspector and those interested parties to prepare for the inquiry and out line procedures. It was not felt necessary for a member to attend this meeting.
- **b)** A letter outlining the terms of a lease for the car park land has not as yet been received from Robert Rous as terms and conditions are still under discussion. The Council will go ahead with submitting a planning application for the car park as soon as possible. The Clerk will draw up plans.
- c) A Planning application for a porch on Sandpit Farm has been considered by the planning committee. They did not support the application in its present form but did not object to the addition of a porch in principle.
- **d**) At 16 Rendham Road the chimney has been rebuilt but it now does not match the others in the street. The members will inspect the chimney and liaise with the Clerk who if necessary will contact Suffolk Heritage Housing Association concerning this mater.
- 6) Parish Park:- The standpipe has been fitted and it will be boxed in and insulated by Peter Robinson. Eleanor Berwick wished to record that the Park was looking better and was an asset to village. Bike security chains are required to be fitted to the picnic tables. Eleanor Berwick proposed that these should be purchased and Margaret West seconded this proposal. All were in favour.

The grass cutting has not been satisfactory this year and the members will review the contract for the grass cutting for 2007 in March.

7) **Budget for 2007/2008**:- The Clerk had prepared a budget for the members information for the year 2007/2008. John McKee proposed there should be a 10% increase in the precept to cover the increasing costs of the Parish council due in part to the increase of facilities in the park. Peter Robinson seconded this proposal and all agreed. The Clerk

will duly inform Suffolk Coastal District Council that Bruisyard Parish Council will require a precept of £1100 for the financial year 2007/2008.

- **8) Financial Matters:-a)** Peter Robinson proposed it was in order to have issued a cheque on 23<sup>rd</sup> October for £58.75 to Lubbock Fine for the external audit of the Councils accounts for the year 2005/2006. Jeremy Holland-Howes seconded this proposal and all were in favour.
- **b**) John McKee proposed that it will be in order to issue a cheque to R J Steward in payment for cutting the hedges in the Park when the Council receives the invoice. Eleanor Berwick seconded this proposal and all agreed.
- c) There has been no invoice to date from Suffolk Coastal Services Ltd. There will be an estimated 13 cuts to pay for at £25 plus vat a cut amounting to £381.87. Jeremy Holland-Howes proposed that the invoice be paid when received. Shirley Smith seconded this proposal and all agreed.
- **d)** Margaret West proposed that it was in order to have issued a cheque for £8.22 on 23rd October to SALC for the Clerks Network Training day held on 9<sup>th</sup> October. Peter Robinson seconded this proposal and all agreed. The Clerk requested permission to attend further clerk's network days if she thought they would be useful to the Council. All members agreed this would be appropriate.
- e) Jeremy Holland-Howes proposed that £35 be paid to Suffolk Coastal District Council for the land leased from them as a play area at Rendham Road and Oliver Hitchcock seconded this proposal and all agreed. A cheque was duly written and signed.
- 8) Report from the Village Hall Committee:- Peter Robinson and David Smith met with Frances Bedding, of Suffolk County Council, on site in the Park to discus the lottery application. She suggested other fund sources if the Lottery money was not granted to Bruisyard for the village hall project. David Smith, as a representative of the Village Hall committee had a one and a half hour interview with a representative of the Lottery Fund and he reported that this went well. It will be late January or early February before the committee will hear if there is an invitation to apply for stage two of the Big Lottery Community Building Fund. Roger Kindred has resigned as chairman of the Village Hall Committee and John McKee has been elected in his place.

## 9) Date of the Next Meeting: 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2007

**10**) **Miscellaneous Items**:- There is a North Area Parish Liaison Meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> December at the Riverside Centre, Stratford St. Andrew. John McKee agreed to attend the meeting as Bruisyard's representative.

John McKee attended a demonstration on Solar heating at Stratford St Andrew and will attend a meeting on Affordable housing at Ufford Park.

Bruisyard Social Amenities Committee held a Halloween Party at Bruisyard Hall raising £303.58. Their next event is a Christmas Party to be held at the Hall on 19<sup>th</sup> December.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:30 pm and thanked the PCC for the use of the Vestry.