Minutes of the BRUISYARD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Monday 14 January 2013, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Rendham Road, Bruisyard Street.

Present: Peter Robinson, Anne Smith, John McKee, John Marten, Thelma Barham, Jeremy Holland-Howes, The Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence: John Ingmire
- **2. Minutes of the last meeting:** Minutes were unanimously approved.
- **3. Matter arising:** Drinks licence for the Village Hall has come through and has been paid.

4. Village Hall Committee Report:

John McKee reported that 2012 has been a good year for the Village Hall. Yoga class takes place every Monday evening with the exception of the Monday when Parish Council meeting takes place then yoga class takes place on a Wednesday of that week. Lights have been installed in the Village Hall car park. The path to the Village Hall needs concreting. However, this is very expensive as quotes came in for around £2000.00. Thelma Barham will ask her nephew to provide a quote.

- **5. Financial Matters:** Item A: It was agreed that the precept should be put up to £2500 as from 2014 any future rises will be restricted to 5% yearly increase. Anne Smith proposed to go with this precept figure and Peter Robinson seconded the proposal. Items B to G: John Marten proposed that all items are approved. John McKee seconded this proposal. All payments were agreed unanimously.
- **6. Park:** Rent has been paid, lights are done. Negotiating for pathway to be done. John Marten to put a quote in before the next meeting for grass cutting. Hedge cutting needs to be discussed at the next meeting.
- 7. Slow signs Church Road: Signs are up on Church Road: No footpath for 300 yards. Some people commented that there should have been no wording just the sign. Should we paint 'slow' sign on the road? It has been decided that it is important to have 'slow' sign on the road so we will be going ahead with it.
- **8.** Coming Events dates: it has been decided that this item should be removed from any future Parish Council agendas as information I readily available in the Parish newsletter and on the village website.
- **9. Date of the next meeting:** Monday 11 March 2013
- 10. Any other business:

Mark Bryant, SNT officer from Framlingham attended the meeting and reported the following:

Very little to report, very quiet in the village and luckily the crime rate is very low. However, rural crime is still an issue. There are a number of diesel and oil thefts in the area. Also big articulated lorries have been coming through the village. What can be done to stop them? The answer is there is very little we can do as it shows up on all SatNavs. 'No HGVs' sign is the best option but it has to go through the Suffolk County Council. PC Bryant suggested we write to Highways Agency in Saxmundham to say that this is a particularly unsuitable area for lorries and what can be done to ban HGVs from the village. John Marten to contact the Highways Agency. PC Bryant has also mentioned that there are some shed breaks in Framlingham and that police have really good alarms at Framlingham Police and Fire Station.

Anne Smith reported that she went to Sizewell C exhibition in Framlingham. Site development will be quite disruptive for the villages around Sizewell, but very little impact on Bruisyard. There is not going to be a by-pass on A12 but Farnham bend needs to be improved. Suffolk County Council is not insisting on village by pass. In general, Anne's opinion is that the area is not getting a lot out of Sizewell C build.

John Marten reported that we have been given a lockable filing cabinet which will be kept in the Village Hall and the Clerk can keep all Parish Council related documents in there.

The meeting was closed at 21.00