

Minutes of the BRUISYARD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 12 November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Bruisyard Village Hall.

Present: Mr Paul Church (PC) – Chairman
Mr John Marten (JM) - Deputy Chairman
Mrs Thelma Bartram (TB)
Mr John Mckee (JMc)
Mrs Anne Smith (AS)
Mr David Goode (DG)
Mrs Gill Owens, The Clerk

AGENDA

1. **Apologies and approval of absence:** Ms Jacqui Grimwood.
2. **To receive declarations of interest:** None.
3. **To consider requests for dispensations:** None.
4. **Minutes of the last meeting:** The Councillors reviewed minutes of the last meeting of 10th September 2018. PC proposed that minutes of the last meeting are accepted as a true record. TB seconded the proposal. All were in favour.
5. **To receive progress of actions from last meeting:**
 - Playground audit:** - Took place on 28th September 2018. Discussed below.
 - Hedge maintenance:** - A quote is outstanding for the maintenance of the hedges around the Village Hall and is expected soon and the work thereafter. PC has contacted the Chairman of Badingham Parish Council with respect to the overgrown hedge on the corner of the B1120 which all agreed causes a hazard. The Clerk has agreed to contact Suffolk Highways to try and speed up the cut.
 - Grit Bins:** - The Clerk explained that requesting three Grit Bins requires a consultation with homeowners outside and opposite any sites. Additional Grit Bin sites proposed in Bruisyard are: Corner of Low Road and Church Road; Church Lane (opposite St Peter's Church and Church cottages) and Corner of Church Lane and Bruisyard Road. **Action The Clerk**
 - Road side "Tree Survey":** DG agreed to walk the parish roads to identify any trees, which looked in danger of the loss of branches. DG stated he is not an expert but applying common sense felt there is only one tree, an Oak, on Church Road that might need minor work after probably being hit by a straw lorry during the summer. JMc agreed to contact John Tiesh, the landowner. **Action JMc**
 - Village sign:** - AS is planning to clean the village sign, which she made and has noticed that it requires a specialist clean. **Action AS.**
 - Fireworks at Bruisyard Hall:** - Bruisyard Hall management have agreed to advertise fireworks on all village noticeboards well in advance.
6. **Public participation:** None
7. **Village Hall Committee Report:** JMc reported that the Village Hall continued to enjoy regular bookings from zumba, pilates, dog training, drum lessons. Additionally there are various private functions and fund raising events. New Christmas



decorations are going to be purchased for 2018.

8. Financial matters – payments of over £100 approved by the Parish Council.

Village Hall Bank Account

	£	Date
a) V. Nessling - cleaning for Village Hall	160.00	26/9/18
b) Amazon – sundry goods and materials	148.22	26/9/18
c) CAS - Insurance	660.15	27/9/18
d) Makro	122.29	29/9/18

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e) CAS Insurance	260.70	10/9/18
f) SALC Parish Clerk training course	123.60	16/10/18
g) ROSPA – playground audit	159.60	16/10/18

9. Six months to 30/9/18 financial report: The Clerk reported that she had worked through all the transactions this financial year and reconciled the Parish Council and Village Hall Bank Accounts and reported balances of £3969.34 and £9629.32 respectively at 30/9/18 and a sum of £483.44 in the Barclay's Premium Savings account.

10. ROSPA Playground Audit and the future of the Rendham Road play area: The playground HSE audit by ROSPA was reviewed and the items highlighted by ROSPA were discussed thoroughly. The following points were discussed and agreed: -

- (a) The new round bench suffered from Aphids this summer and needed cleaning. Benches are cleaned annually and treating them with preservative is considered unnecessary. Decision: Clean and leave.
- (b) Fencing alongside car park is deteriorating in places. These posts will be inspected alongside the work due on the noticeboards.
- (c) The car park entrance gate is on a spring and the Parish Council did not consider the action to be unduly "violent", but it will be regularly checked.
- (d) Broken litter bins were hiding mole traps at the time of the inspection and will be removed shortly.
- (e) Concrete slabs under the basketball net have moved slightly apart and cracks have appeared. Concrete filler is to be considered.
- (f) Grass growing through the rubber matting under the Multiplay area is worn due to the summer weather, no action was considered necessary.
- (g) Rendham Road play area is no longer used enough to justify its maintenance, lease of space or audit. The equipment is to be dismantled and renovated and where appropriate relocated to the Bruisyard play park by the Village hall. Notice on the lease form SCC is 3 months and will be given to SCC 3 months before the renewal date of 1/10/19 to give a generous amount of time to complete the work.

11. 2018/19 Precept review: It was agreed to keep the precept at the 2018/19 level and not request an increase, as this is not required to cover any expected rise in costs.

12. Local consultations: It was agreed to request the Clerk to send on any local consultations that are received by the Clerk to all PC members to review.



13. **Change of AGM date:** The Clerk requested a change of the AGM date to 13th May to avoid a diary clash and to ensure that the meeting was well within the time required to hold an AGM following the Council elections.
14. **Councillor training:** The Clerk is to arrange new councillor training for DG and Chairman training for PC.
15. **Date of next meeting:** Monday January 21st 2019 @7:30pm
16. **Any other business:** General discussion on the Parish Newsletter and it's management and over the success of recent social events at the village hall, namely the Bonfire Night and the Harvest Supper. A special thanks is recorded to the Mckee and Church families for all the hard work they do to ensure these events and others are a success.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:00.

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