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**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Bruisyard Council held on
Monday 21 May 2018 at 7.30pm in the Bruisyard Village Hall**

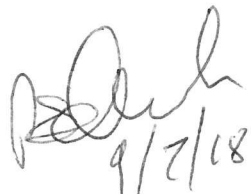
Present: John Marten, John McKee, Thelma Barham, Anne Smith, Paul Church, the Clerk

1. **Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman:** John Marten has decided to step down as the Chairman of the Council. John McKee has proposed that Paul Church takes over as the Chairman. Anne Smith seconded this proposal. All in favour. John McKee proposed that John Marten is appointed a Vice-Chairman, Anne Smith has seconded the proposal. All voted in favour. Both the newly appointed Chairman and Vice-Chairman signed the declaration of acceptance of office.
2. **Public Participation:** None.
3. **Apologies for absence:** None.
4. **Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the last meeting have been circulated and read. Paul Church proposed that the records of the previous meeting accepted as a true record and John Marten seconded the proposal.
5. **Matter arising:** None.
6. **Councillors Vacancies and appointing new Councillors to fill two vacancies created due to the resignation of Peter Robinson and Stephen Stow:** councillor vacancies have been advertised on the village notice boards. Two electors for the parish applied for the two vacant councillor positions: Jacqui Grimwood and Glynis Holman. Paul Church proposed that Jacqui Grimwood is confirmed as a councillor for Bruisyard Parish Council and John McKee seconded the proposal. All were in favour. Anne Smith proposed that Glynis Holman is confirmed as a councillor for Bruisyard Parish Council and Paul Church seconded the proposal. All were in favour. Both councillors have signed the declaration of acceptance of office.
7. **Allocating members to serve on subcommittees:** Planning Committee: Anne Smith, Peter Robinson, John McKee, Thelma Barham. Village Hall committee: Anne Smith, Peter Robinson, John McKee, Paul Church, Thelma Barham. John Marten has resigned from both planning committee and Village Hall committee. Stephen Stow resigned from Planning Committee. BSAC – John Marten has resigned from the committee.
8. **Election of non Councillor Members to the Village Hall subcommittee:** Margaret Sinclair and Teresa McKee will continue to serve on the Village Hall subcommittee. Albert Lain has joined the committee.
9. **Financial Matters:**
John McKee proposed that financial transactions a) to k) were all in order and Anne Smith seconded this proposal.

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- a) Payment of £54.72 to David Smith for Microsoft Mail Online Office made on 21/05/18
- b) Payment of £135.47 to SALC for annual subscription fee made on 21/05/18
- c) Payment of £206.99 to Bruisyard VH (reimbursement for fence repairs and material done by P Emeny) made on 21/05/18
- d) Payment of £15.12 to BSAC for 50% cost of the village newsletter made on 21/05/18
- e) Payment of £315.00 to P Emeny for fence repairs and materials made on 05/03/18
- f) Payment to B T McKee for cleaning of £40.00 made on 19/03/18
- g) Payment of £27.80 to NWG Water for utilities made on 01/05/18
- h) Payment of £84.00 to Kindewood for grass cutting made on 14/05/18
- i) Payment of £165.00 to C Mason (returned deposit) made on 14/05/18
- j) Payment of £70.00 to B T McKee for cleaning made on 14/05/18
- k) Payment of £29.00 to Anne Smith for food and drink evening made on 14/05/18
- l) At the last statement the Parish Council current account held £4063.94, the deposit account held £483.20 and the Village Hall account held £10454.51.
- m) The Clerk had circulated the accounts for 2017-2018 financial year prior to the meeting. Anne Smith proposed that the accounts be approved and John McKee seconded the proposal and all agreed. The Clerk and Chairman signed and dated the accounts for the Parish Council and the Village Hall together with the bank reconciliation and supporting statement. Clerk reported that documents will be sent to SALC to carry out the internal audit.

10. **Review of Parish Council and Village Hall insurance:** we will continue getting our insurance through Community Action Suffolk. Parish Council is a 5-year undertaking until 2022 and Village Hall insurance is the same 5-year undertaking expiring in 2022.
11. **Review of subscription with SALC and CAS:** carry on as we are.
12. **Superfast broadband rollout in Bruisyard update:** David Smith reported on the information he had received from 'Better Broadband for Suffolk' on the roll-out of superfast broadband in Bruisyard. The service will be installed in Bruisyard between June and the end of September and in Bruisyard Street between September and the end of December. The service will be delivered using 'fibre to the cabinet' and then over the existing copper lines between the (green) cabinet and the premise. For homes within a line length from the cabinet of about 500m should be able to receive a download speed of up to 50Mb/s whilst those about 1500m away will be up to ~20Mb/s. David pointed out that these speeds were dependent on the copper line being in good condition between the cabinet and the premise. Any poor connections along the copper line would reduce both the download and upload speeds. David commented that the quality of the copper line installation in the village was not good and hence expectations should be managed as homeowners who take the superfast broadband service may have to report faults to get their copper line repaired to a sufficient standard to achieve the stated download and upload speeds. David mentioned that the 'fibre to the cabinet' deployments in Bruisyard and Bruisyard Street would be some of the last done by BT Openreach. As


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from 2019, all future superfast broadband installations would be 'fibre to the premise' which is a more future proof technology giving much higher broadband speeds.

- 13. Grass cutting:** Kindlewood has been doing a splendid job of grass cutting and hedge trimming. The Councillors agreed that the company's work is of high quality and very competitively priced. Paul Church proposed that we award Kindlewood 3 years grass cutting contract from 2018 until 2020. Thelma Barham seconded the proposal.

14. Dates of 2018-2019 meetings

Monday 9 July at 7.30pm

Monday 10 September at 7.30pm

Monday 12 November at 7.30pm

Monday 21 January 2015 at 7.30pm

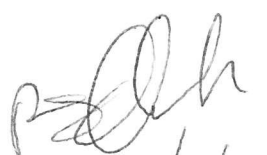
Monday 11 March 2015 at 7.30pm

Monday 120 May 2017: 7.00pm Annual Meeting of the Parish; 7.30pm Annual Meeting of the Council

15. Any other business

John McKee reported that the local once a month bus service is struggling to keep going. They are 0.40pence short per each pound. John wondered if as a parish council we could contribute towards the cost of running. The bus travels from Eye to Ipswich and serves Bruisyard and other local villages. Perhaps, a contribution of £50.00 a year can be considered. Suggestions to discuss this at the next BSAC meeting. Bruisyard could contribute if other 10 villages along the route would contribute.

There being no further business The Chairman thanked all those present for coming and the meeting closed at 20.30.


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