

UPPER BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 12 Dec 2017 at 7.30pm in Rose Cottage, Upper Broughton Village Hall.

Councillors: Copley (Chair) Flood
Bailey Hill

Also in attendance: Borough Councillor Combellack, the Clerk – Jo Cartmell and two members of the public.

1. Apologies: Received and accepted for Councillors Watson, Barry and Parkinson and NC Cllr. John Cottee.
2. Declarations of Interest: Cllr. Bailey in relation to Item 5. 17/02774/FUL & 17/02874/FUL.
3. Acceptance of minutes of meetings held on 24th October 2017: Council members agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Standing orders suspended: 7.33pm

4. Open session for the public **limited to 15 minutes.**

Mr Paul Reese attended the meeting to raise the issue of speeding on Station Rd. Mr Reese recognised that although the improved road markings had led to an improvement, he felt there was still further measures that the Parish Council should consider ensuring that speeding issues continue to be addressed. Mr Reese felt that there were simple measures that could be taken to raise awareness of the speed limit such as stickers on wheelie bins and speed sign stakes in the ground.

The Council agreed that further measures could be considered, and this would be discussed further under Item 13 and at future meetings but in the meantime, the Clerk was asked to contact Notts. Police and request a visit from the speed camera van to the parish.

Action: Clerk to contact Notts. Police.

Standing orders re-instated 7.45pm

5. Planning matters.

Applications:

Cllr. Bailey left the meeting.

17/02774/FUL To carefully renovate Piecrust Cottage (formerly the Butcher's), replace existing windows and doors with new. Internal modifications to turn butcher's shop into a two bedroom rental property on the ground floor and retain the rental property to the first floor. To demolish disused Slaughterhouse and Pie Factory. To erect 2 x 3-bedroom semi-detached houses with gardens and off-road parking. New shared access off Station Road. (resubmission) F Bailey and Son, Station Road – NO OBJECTION

17/02874/FUL Demolish disused slaughterhouse and pie factory. F Bailey and Son, Station Road – NO OBJECTION.

Cllr. Bailey re-joins the meeting.

17/02743/FUL Demolition of existing detached double garage. The Croft, Station Rd. – NO OBJECTION

17/02680/FUL Demolition of garage, new dwelling, conversion of coach house to ancillary residential accommodation, and erection of replacement garage with new access. The Croft, Station Rd – NO OBJECTION

17/02506/VAR Vary condition 2 of 15/02394/FUL to allow replacement beech hedge along south-east boundary.

Belle Voir House (Formerly known as Land South of Sulney Fields) Colonels Lane – NO OBJECTION: Members felt that the proposed beech hedge was more appropriate as a border with farmland due to the poisonous nature of yew.

Decisions.

17/02195/FUL Demolition of existing house and buildings, erection of two new dwellings with new access.

Midway House Main Road Upper Broughton – REFUSE PERMISSION

The following applications were withdrawn and re-submitted as above.

17/01831/FUL To demolish disused slaughterhouse. F Bailey and Son Station Road Upper Broughton

17/1630/FUL To carefully renovate Piecrust Cottage (formerly the Butcher's), replace existing windows and doors with new. Internal modifications to turn butchers into a two-bedroom rental property on the ground floor and retain the rental property to the first floor. To demolish disused Slaughterhouse and Pie Factory. To erect 2 x 3-bedroom semi-detached houses with gardens and off-road parking. New shared access off Station Road.

F Bailey and Son Station Road Upper Broughton

Action: Clerk to forward responses to RBC.

6. Neighbourhood Plan:

i) Update: The Steering Group were awaiting the first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan from the Planning Consultant. The draft would be reviewed by Steering Group members and changes made accordingly. This process would be repeated until the Steering Group were in position to ask the Parish Council to consider the Pre-submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan, at which point, the Parish Council would have the opportunity to forward comments.

ii) Finances inc forthcoming expenditure – The first invoice from the Planning Consultant was expected in the next few weeks which would use the majority of the grant funding. The Parish Council would need to apply for further funding on behalf of the Steering Group to complete the NP process.

7. Councillors Report: BC Combellack reported that there was a concerted effort by the Borough Council to address the issue of plastic waste within the Borough to try and reduce the devastation caused by plastic. Measures included reducing the use of single use plastics and banning helium balloons on council land. Cllr. Combellack noted that she would report further as the initiative progressed.

NC Cllr. Cottee had asked the Clerk to report that the reduction of the No.19 bus service was still being scrutinised and a petition of 250 signatures from Melton Residents had been presented to the County Council. This had provided further ammunition for the County Council to once again request the data used by Leicestershire County Council to justify the reduction to the bus service. A meeting was to be held at the end of January where this would be discussed further.

8. War Memorial Restoration: Cllr. Bailey noted that he had removed the grass from around the base of the memorial and laid some blue slate chippings to try and reduce the grass growth at the base of the memorial. Cllr. Bailey had treated the war memorial with a number of coats of an organic moss/algae remover. The surface of the memorial had visibly improved and positive comments had been received. A final treatment with the solution and a gentle pressure wash would hopefully mean that further work would not be required.

Action: Cllr. Bailey to report back at the next meeting.

9. Correspondence.

United Charities – Appointment of Nominative Trustee: Notice had been received that Mrs Christine Wilson had completed her four-year term as a Nominative Trustee and was willing to stand for a further four years should the Parish Council wish. Members agreed that Mrs Wilson should be appointed as a Nominative Trustee for a further four-year term.

NALC: Data Protection and Freedom of Information: Clerk forewarned members about there had been changes to the Data Protection and Freedom of Information requirements for Parish Council's. Further information was anticipated from NALC.

SAAC: Notice of appointment of External Auditors: Notice of appointment of External Auditors: NALC confirmed the appointment of PFK Littlejohn LLP as the External Auditors for Nottinghamshire.

NCC: Local Improvement Scheme: The deadline for applications was 8th January 2018 so members were asked to consider if they had any projects for which they wished to apply for funding. The option of purchasing an interactive speed sign was discussed.

10. Village Hall.

Restoration/replacement of windows: Members agreed that an application to Awards for All for £10,000 should be made once three quotes had been obtained for the replacement of all the windows and surrounds. The Clerk agreed to liaise with the Chair in the New Year to arrange for the quotes to be obtained.

Action: Clerk and Chair to arrange two further quotes.

11. Noticeboard – glass replacement.

A quote from Malcolm Lane had been obtained by the Clerk. The cost of having the Perspex replaced like for like was £55.00 per door plus VAT and fitting at a cost of £75.00 + VAT. To use toughened glass would be an extra £10 per door. Members agreed that toughened glass should be used instead of Perspex and asked the Clerk to go ahead and order the glass to be fitted by Malcolm Lane.

Action: Clerk to contact Malcolm Lane to arrange replacement.

12. Registering Assets of the Community: It was agreed that the Parish Council would look to register The Golden Fleece as an asset of the community and the Clerk was asked to approach the proprietor to request support for the application.

Action: Clerk to contact proprietor.

13. Highways & Footpaths: It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to Hickling Parish Council to see if it would consider making a joint application to the Local Improvement Scheme to cover the cost of an interactive speed sign which would be shared by the two parishes.

The Clerk was asked to write to Via EM to request that it reconsider the removal of the bus shelter and was asked to note that the Parish Council would be willing to assist with cost of repair and getting the work carried out by a local contractor should Via EM agree to its retention.

Action: Clerk to contact Via EM.

14. Cross Green: None.

15. Finance: Business Account – 30th November 17 = £26,796.83

a) Payments due: Neighbourhood Plan highlighted in grey (*Payments made between meetings)

Cheque No.	Payee	Description	Amount
544	K. Wadkin & Son	Cross Green Maintenance	£786.60
545	Staff	Staff Costs (dated 31 st Dec 17)	£572.00

It was agreed that the above payments be made.

Action: Clerk to forward payments.

16. Items from members for the next agenda: To be forwarded to the Clerk a week prior to the next meeting.

17. Late items and Chairman's matters: None

18. Date of next meeting: 6 Feb, 20 Mar, 22 May, 17 Jul, 11 Sep

No further business: meeting closed 9.00pm