

UPPER BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 1st November 2016 in Rose Cottage, Upper Broughton Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Councillors: Copley(Chair) Barry Hill
Bailey Flood Parkinson

Also in attendance: Notts. County Cllr. Cottee, Borough Cllr. Combellack, the Clerk – Jo Cartmell and three members of the public.

1. Apologies: Cllr. Watson.
2. Declarations of Interest: None.
3. Acceptance of minutes of meetings held on 13th September 2016: Cllr. Bailey proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting; this was seconded by Cllr. Hill and passed.

Standing orders suspended: 7.33pm

4. Open session for the public **limited to 15 minutes**: Three members of the public attended the meeting to raise concerns about the issue of speeding on Station Rd. Mr Paul Reece felt that the Parish Council and Notts. County Council had not given this issue the necessary priority as in the view of the members of the public that had attended the meeting, this was a significant problem which would result in someone being seriously injured. It was suggested that the Community Speed Watch team be re-established to act as a deterrent, Mr Reece, who was a former member felt that this wasn't an option as it was haphazard and ineffective. He wished to see a physical presence such as white lines or gateways or larger warning signs to encourage drivers to slow down. The Clerk repeated the response that had been received from the County Council which was that funding could not be allocated to this highway as it was deemed to be low priority. The accident data for this stretch of road showed that there were no accidents between the A46 and the A606 in the last 6 years that had caused any significant injury. The only notable injury was to a rider who came off a horse. NC Cllr. Cottee offered to have an officer from the County Council come out and meet with a small group to understand the concerns raised and monitor the road to see the extent of the issue. Cllr. Parkinson agreed to liaise with Cllr. Cottee to set up the meeting and Mr Reece volunteered to attend as a parishioner.

Action: Cllr. Parkinson to liaise with Cllr. Cottee and hold a meeting with NCC highways.

Standing orders reinstated: 7.55pm

5. Planning matters.

Applications:

16/02493/FUL Mr & Mrs McEwan

Construction of vehicular access boundary wall and gates and partial demolition of boundary wall.

White House, Bottom Green, Upper Broughton.

Members voted to object to the proposals outlined in *this* application for two reasons.

Firstly, members felt that due to the bend in the road heading west down station road, the view from the proposed exit would be restricted and visibility reduced and therefore the parish council does not believe this is a safer option. Exiting the property through the current entrance also gives greater visibility of traffic exiting the A606 on to Station Rd.

Secondly, the wall has been identified as a feature of historical importance within the conservation area, the loss of this wall would have a negative impact on the street scene in the view of the parish council.

Action: Clerk to forward response.

Decisions:

16/02029/FUL Upper Broughton Youth and Social Club

Installation of 10 fully retractable floodlights around tennis courts.

UBYSC, Station Rd, Upper Broughton.

Permission granted.

Tree Works:

16/00177/CONARE Mr R. Wilson -The New House, Station Rd.

6. Correspondence.

Piers Flavin: Nether Broughton planning application – Hecadeck Lane. Mr Flavin wished the parish council to be aware of an application for development at Nether Broughton of 22 houses and the delay by Melton Borough Council in making decisions on the application due to the fact the impact on the Upper Broughton Conservation Area had not been assessed prior to the application going to committee. Mr Flavin asked for representation from the parish council, if they felt it appropriate, supporting concerns about the impact of the development on the view from the conservation area.

Five members voted to forward a response to Melton BC expressing concerns about the development having a negative impact on the view from the conservation area; one councillor abstained.

Action: Clerk to forward response.

NCC: Supporting Local Communities Fund: Details of the 2017/18 fund were forwarded to members. The deadline for applications is 16th December. Members were asked to consider if there were any projects for which they wished to apply for funding.

Cllr. Combellack – Notice had been received from Cllr. Combellack that she was intending on organising an informative planning cluster meeting which would be attended by members of the Borough Council planning team. The date and

time were to be confirmed but it would be at one of the local village halls. Cllr. Combellack also intended to invite members of any local Neighbourhood Plan Sub-committees.

7. Defibrillator:
New pads – The new pads had been delivered and installed the cost of which was £31.50.
VETS scheme: Request for a VETS training course to be run at £175.00. Cllr. Flood proposed that the parish council cover the cost of the training session by the Community Heartbeat Trust; this was seconded by Cllr. Hill and passed.
Action: Clerk to notify the VET Scheme co-ordinator.
8. Village Hall.
Request for a hearing loop to be installed: Cllr. Flood was liaising with the village hall committee regarding funding the installation of a hearing loop. He would keep the parish council informed as to whether this would go ahead. No further action was required by the parish council as this comes under the village hall committee's responsibilities.
Cllr. Parkinson noted that the slate that had slipped on the gable end of the Village Hall was out of reach and needed extra-long ladders to reposition it. Cllr. Flood volunteered to speak to the builder at The Golden Fleece to see if he could assist and carry out the repair.
Cllr. Parkinson volunteered to look at a section of guttering which was also in need of repositioning.
Action: Cllr. Flood to speak to builder and Cllr. Parkinson to examine guttering.
9. Highways & Footpaths.
Traffic Calming measures – Station Rd.
This item was dealt with under Item 4 and the parish council would await the outcome of the meeting with NCC Highways before taking any further action.
10. Village Entry Signs: Damage to the Station Rd sign.
As instructed, the Clerk had been liaising with the contractor who was responsible for the damage and Malcolm Lane with a view to having the repairs carried out to the village sign. The Contractor had agreed to pay for the damage and the sign was due to be repaired within the next couple of weeks.
Cllr. Copley asked that in future, all councillors consult with the Clerk before attempting to assist with repairs when the parish council has already determined a course of action. Cllr Copley noted that attempts to assist with the sign had been made with the best intentions but this could have left the parish council in an awkward position. Any Councillor wishing to undertake work on behalf of the parish council should speak to the Clerk prior to starting.
11. Cross Green:
Public seating on Cross Green: item deferred until the next meeting.
12. Finance: 30 September 2016 Business Account balance: £21,092.79
Payments due:

Cheque No.	Payee	Description	Amount
520	K. Wadkin & Son	Village Hall Tidy.	£ 90.00
521	Community Heartbeat Trust	New defibrillator pads.	£ 31.50
522	J. Cartmell	Salary – 2/4	£520.00
523	Rushcliffe Borough Council	Pest Control	£ 51.60
524	Tim Flood	Re-imbusement of domain name fees – website	£ 16.80

Cllr. Hill proposed that the above payments be made; this was seconded by Cllr. Parkinson and passed.
Action: Clerk to forward payments.

13. Items from members for the next agenda: to be forwarded to the clerk a week prior to the next meeting.
March agenda – village pump and VH windows
14. Late items and Chairman's matters: None.
15. Date of next meeting: 13th Dec, 7th Feb, 21st Mar, 16th May.

No further business: meeting closed 8.55pm