# **Bramfield and Thorington Parish Council**

## A Meeting of the Parish Council was held virtually via Zoom on Monday, November 9th 2020 at 7pm.

# <u>Minutes</u>:

# Present:

Cllr. A. Thomas (Chairman); Cllr. A. Rozkalns (Vice-Chairman); Cllr. M. Bond; Cllr. D. Hughes; Cllr. W. Shoote; Cllr. S. Key and Cllr. A. Niven:

# Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk) and District Cllr. N. Brooks: (left 7-11pm):

# 1) Apologies:

Cllr. J. Key and County Cllr. R. Smith:

# 2) <u>To receive Declarations of Interest:</u>

There were no declarations of Interest. Councillors do not need to declare an interest in setting the Budget or Precept in Item 18.

## 3) <u>Requests for dispensations:</u>

There were no requests for dispensation.

## 4) <u>To receive a report from the County Councillor and the District</u> <u>Councillor:</u>

District Cllr. N. Brooks reported that the rollout of the half hour free parking continues across the council area and he said that the council will enforce yellow lines restrictions on those who flout the rules.

Cllr. W. Shoote asked about the parking issues in Bramfield but said that there were no yellow lines to enforce no parking. District Cllr. N. Brooks said that the situation in Bramfield was a police matter.

Cllr. A. Thomas asked whether District Cllr. N. Brooks would make a contribution to the refurbishment and upgrade at the Village Hall. District Cllr. N. Brooks said that he could contribute £500-00.

Finally, District Cllr. N. Brooks said that there were new proposals coming from Sizewell C and that he would forward to the Parish Council any documents he receives.

#### 5) <u>Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask</u> <u>questions on topics on the agenda:</u>

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

6) <u>To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday,</u> <u>October 12th 2020 and the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held</u> <u>on Tuesday, November 3rd 2020. Councillors noted that the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 was <u>inquorate:</u></u>

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> 2020 were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Rozkalns: Seconder: Cllr. M. Bond:

It was noted that the Parish Council Meeting held on October 26th<sup>th</sup> 2020 was inquorate. The Clerk said that as it had been too late to reorganise another meeting to discuss the planning application DC/20/3980/FUL, he had informed East Suffolk Council that the three councillors present had decided to give their view on an individual basis that they had no objection to this planning application.

The Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, November 3rd 2020 were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. D. Hughes: Seconder: Cllr. M. Bond:

# 7) Traffic Report on A144:

Cllr. A. Niven reported that Speedwatch had been stood down when the Coronavirus pandemic began. He said that sessions may start again in January 2021. However he said that the Sign Indicator Device was working and he would move it to a new location soon. Cllr. A. Niven concluded by saying that the Police Speed Van had been in Bramfield.

Cllr. D. Hughes reported that there had been some accidents at the Halesworth end of Bramfield. She said that one car had been left upside down.

# 8) Parking in Bramfield Village:

Cllr. D. Hughes said that the car parking on the Green had continued. Cllr. M. Bond believed that this was because the Queens Head Public House car park was too small so the overspill was causing the parking issues. It was reported that photographs had been taken and it was suggested that they should be taken to the Community Police Officer. Cllr. W. Shoote said that the Queens Head Public House was currently closed so the issue would not arise until the New Year.

# 9) Village Hall:

Cllr. A. Rozkalns said that the Village Hall continued to be closed although he said the plans for the refurbishment of the kitchen were continuing to be developed. Finally, he noted that the Pre-School was operating as normal.

#### 10) Internet Banking:

Cllr. A. Rozkalns reported that he had spoken to Barclays Bank and he had been told that he needed the latest bank statement and the sort and account number to progress this further. The Clerk was asked to email Cllr. A. Rozkalns with this information.

#### 11) Sizewell C:

After some discussion, it was agreed that councillors would make individual representations to Sizewell C's new proposals and consultation.

Proposer: Cllr. W. Shoote:

Seconder: Cllr. A. Niven:

## 12) Planning Matters:

Proposal: Brick, timber and tile open sided gazebo over patio area. Single storey. Address: Norwin Lodge Darsham Road Bramfield Saxmundham Suffolk IP17 3QP Reference: DC/20/3980/FUL

Owing to the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 being declared inquorate where this planning application was to be discussed, the Parish Council cannot comment on this planning application. However the three councillors at the inquorate meeting did discuss the planning application and they had no objection to this planning application on an individual basis which the Clerk reported to East Suffolk Council.

It was noted and agreed that this submission was made.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Rozkalns: Seconder: Cllr. M. Bond:

#### 13) <u>Clerk's Report and Correspondence including Donations:</u>

There was no Clerk's Report.

#### 14) **Financial Report:**

#### a) Balances at the Bank on October 31st 2020:

Business Community Account	£9 162-35
Business Savings Account	£6 629-94

#### b) Cheques and Receipts:

There were no payments or receipts. The Clerk's Financial Report was accepted by the Parish Council

Proposer: Cllr. A. Rozkalns: Seconder: Cllr. D. Hughes:

#### 15) Budget and Precept for 2021-2022.

The Clerk set out the Budget and after some questions, the councillors agreed the Budget:

Proposer: Cllr. A. Rozkalns: Seconder: Cllr. D. Hughes:

The Councillors agreed to set the Precept at £6250 for the Financial Year 2021 – 2022:

Proposer: Cllr. J. Key: Seconder: Cllr. A. Niven:

#### 16) <u>To receive information and agenda items for the Parish Council Meeting</u> to be held on Monday, January 11th 2021:

Cllr. A. Thomas said that she had received an email from a parishioner about a hole in the hedge and the filling in of a ditch. It was suggested that tree saplings were planted to which Cllr. A. Thomas had replied.

## The Meeting ended at 8-16pm.