

# **Bramfield and Thorington Parish Council**

**An Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 2-30pm.**

## **Minutes:**

### **Present:**

Cllr. A. Thomas (Chairman); Cllr. A. Rozkalns (Vice-Chairman); Cllr. D. Hughes and Cllr. W. Shoote

### **Also Present:**

Paul Widdowson (Clerk) and two parishioners (Left 3pm):

#### **1) To elect a Chair for 2021 – 2022 and receive the Chair’s Declaration of Acceptance of Office:**

Cllr. A. Thomas was nominated unopposed and was elected Chair for 2021-2022

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

#### **2) To elect a Vice-Chair for 2021 - 2022:**

Cllr. A. Rozkalns was nominated unopposed and was elected Vice-Chair for 2021-2022.

Proposer: Cllr. D. Hughes:                      Second: Cllr. W. Shoote:

#### **3) To appoint a Responsible Finance Officer for 2021 - 2022:**

The Clerk was nominated unopposed for 2021-2022.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas:                      Second: Cllr. A. Rozkalns:

#### **4) Apologies: To receive any apologies for absence.**

Cllr. M. Bond; Cllr. J. Key, Cllr. S. Key and Cllr. A. Niven:

#### **5) To receive Declarations of Interest and confirm all members have reviewed their Declarations of Interest Forms: Councillors to declare any Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. Members may subsequently declare an interest at any point in the meeting.**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### **6) Requests for dispensations:**

There were no Requests for Dispensation.

**7) To receive a report from the County and District Councillors:**

There were no reports except a written one from District Cllr. N. Brookes owing to local elections purdah.

**8) Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask questions on topics on the agenda.**

There were no questions.

**9) To confirm the Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on April 12<sup>th</sup> 2020:**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, April 12th were agreed.

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

**10) Traffic Report on A144:**

There was no report.

**11) Village Hall:**

This item was moved by the Chair to be discussed after Item 18.

**12) Cil Money:**

This item was moved by the Chair to be discussed to after Item 18.

**13) Pitman's Grove Wild Area:**

This item was moved by the Chair to be discussed to after Item 18.

**14) Internet Banking:**

This item was moved by the Chair to be discussed to after Item 18.

**15) Planning Matters:**

*Proposal: Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 5no. new dwellings comprising 3no. detached bungalows and 2no. semi-detached houses all with associated parking. |*

*Address: Green Banks, Thorington Road, Bramfield. IP19 9JD*

*Ref: DC/21/1848/FUL\_*

Bramfield and Thorington Parish Council raise No Objection to the planning application. The Council remain concerned regarding the density and form of development on the site and the potential impact on neighbouring properties. However, it was noted that this had not been a reason for refusal by East Suffolk District Council or the Planning Inspectorate when considering the previous application. Concerns also remain regarding 4 additional dwellings accessing the Thorington Road in this location but it is appreciated that the best judgement on this matter would be made by SCC Highways.



The Clerk reported that this year (2020-2021), the receipts were precept income of £6000-00 plus other income of £4137-25 and including the carry forward of £14 987-64 from the year 2019-2020 equalled £25 124-89. With payments of £11524-95, this left a carry forward of £13 599-94 to 2021-2022.

At the end of March 2020 the Community Account had £7415-40 and the Savings Account had £6630-28 which equals £14045-68. However there are four outstanding payments totalling £445-74, the Community and Savings Accounts total was therefore in reality £13599-94.

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

e) **To agree to a 'Limited Assurance Review' or to complete a 'Certificate of Exemption':**

The Council agreed to sign a 'Certificate of Exemption' from the 'Limited Assurance Review'.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Rozkalns:                      Seconder: Cllr. A. Thomas:

**Item 11 - Village Hall:**

There was no report.

**Item 12 - Cil Money:**

It was agreed to discuss this issue at the next meeting. It was noted that the village Hall would still like to have some of the money spent on its refurbishment.

**Item 13 - Pitman's Grove Wild Area:**

Cllr. A. Thomas reported that Bramfield Primary School pupils were choosing a name and that wild plants were being planted.

**Item 14 - Internet Banking:**

Cllr. A. Rozkalns said that this was still pending.

**19) To decide the date and receive agenda items for the next Parish Council Meeting.**

It was agreed to hold the next Meeting on Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup> 2021 at 7pm.

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

**The Meeting ended at 3-20pm.**