

Bramfield and Thorington Parish Council

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Village Hall on Monday, June 13th 2022 at 7pm.

Minutes:

Present:

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

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk):

1) **Apologies:**

Cllr. A. Niven; County Cllr. R. Smith and District Cllr. N. Brooks:

2) **Co-option of One Councillor: Consideration of the applicant that has applied for the vacancy on the Council. To receive the Declaration of Acceptance of Office if co-opted:**

Fiona Ryder was co-opted on to the Council.

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

Cllr. F. Ryder signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form.

3) **To receive Declarations of Interest:**

Cllr. M. Bond, Cllr. A. Rozkalns and Cllr. F. Ryder declared a personal interest as members of the Village Hall Committee.

Cllr. W. Shoote declared a personal interest in Item 12 and the planning application DC/22/2041/FUL and would leave the room when this was discussed.

4) **Requests for dispensations:**

There were no requests for dispensation.

5) **To receive a report from the County Councillor and the District Councillor:**

There were no reports.

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

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

7) **To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on May 9th 2022 and the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on May 30th 2022:**

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on May 9th 2022 were agreed.

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

The Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on May 30th 2022 were agreed

Proposer: Cllr. M. Bond: Seconded: Cllr. W. Shoote:

8) **Queen's Platinum Jubilee:**

Cllr. A. Rozkalns reported that the Pre-School was planning to plant a rose bush in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee. He said that the Lunch Club had still met on the Platinum Bank Holiday Thursday and the Village Platinum Jubilee Event went ahead at the Riding School which was well-attended and went very well.

9) **Traffic Report:**

Cllr. A. Rozkalns said that BT Openreach had recently dug up the road to install a telecommunications upgrade. Cllr. D. Hughes reported that the A12 was to be shut for roadworks and the diversion was via the A144 through Bramfield. Cllr. D. Hughes also suggested that perhaps the Village Green should be 'rewilded'.

10) **Village Hall and Wi-Fi Donation:**

Cllr. A. Rozkalns said that the Village Hall was looking at installing Wi-Fi and they were looking at one supplier who would cost £50.

Councillors asked Cllr. A. Rozkalns and the Village Hall to bring some definitive figures to the next Parish Council Meeting so that the Councillors could decide on a donation at the next meeting. The Clerk was asked to put this item on the next Parish Council Meeting Agenda.

Cllr. F. Ryder updated Councillors on the Village's progress regarding the 'Jubilee Meadow'.

11) **Internet Banking:**

Cllr. W. Shoote reported that he and Cllr. A. Niven were now signatories and could make Internet Banking Payments. Cllr. D. Hughes said that she would apply to be a signatory as well.

12) **Planning Matters:**

Proposal: Replacement of swimming pool dome with building to be used for outdoor education and sports.

Address: Bramfield Church of England Primary School, Bridge Street, Bramfield, Suffolk. IP19 9HZ

Ref: DC/22/2041/FUL

Cllr. W. Shoote explained the planning application as he had taken part in preparing the planning application. He then left the room so that councillors could discuss and make a decision on this planning application.

The Parish Council approved this planning application.

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

Cllr. W. Shoote returned to the room.

13) **Clerk's Report and Correspondence including Donations:**

The Clerk said that the Parish Council had joined Community Action Suffolk and had received some old letters from the 1970's to the 1990's from them.

Cllr. A. Thomas gave an update on a local parishioner with much knowledge of Bramfield's history who was leaving the village. It was reported that the parishioner had been given a Thank You and Goodbye Present by the Parish Council.

14) **Financial Report:**

a) **Balances at the Bank on May 31st 2022:**

Business Community Account	£7 689-22
Business Savings Account	£6 630-96

b) **Payments and Receipts:**

Internet Banking	Cllr. A. Thomas – Fruit Bowl	£30-00
Internet Banking	Clerk's Expenses – Colour Ink Cartridge	£44-99

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

The Clerk reported that a £80-70 cheque to a parishioner had not been cashed. It was agreed to write to the parishioner.

15) **Review of Standing Orders and any Amendments:**

After reviewing the Standing Orders (Revised 2020), Councillors agreed to accept the Standing Orders as revised in 2020.

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

16) **Review of Financial Standing Orders and any Amendments:**

After reviewing the Financial Regulations and their amendments, it was agreed to accept the Financial Regulations and the amendments.

Proposer: Cllr. M. Bond:

Seconder: Cllr. A. Rozkalns:

17) **New Policies:**

The LGA Model Councillor Code of Conduct was discussed and Councillors decided to discuss it at the next Parish Council Meeting when they had fully read the new Code of Conduct.

18) **Suffolk Code of Conduct 2022-2023:**

It was agreed to adopt the Suffolk Code of Conduct.

Proposer: Cllr. D. Hughes:

Seconder: Cllr. M. Bond:

19) **To receive information and agenda items for the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday, July 11th 2022:**

The Clerk noted that Village Hall Wi-Fi and the LGA Councillor Code of Conduct should both be items on the next Parish Council Meeting Agenda.

The Meeting ended at 9-04pm.