



Brundall Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 22nd August 2022 at 19:00 at the St Laurence Centre, Brundall

Present:

Chairman: Cllr K Wilkins

Cllr G Abbott, Cllr L Britt, Cllr G Buckley, Cllr P Gabillia, Cllr J Mickelburgh, Cllr M Savory, Cllr R Tungate, Cllr J Warne, Cllr C Whitehouse,

Parish Clerk(s): S Smyth, C Dickson

5 members of the public

	<i>Details</i>	<i>Action</i>
	Housekeeping The Chairman welcomed those in attendance and advised members of the public of the procedure for them speaking at Meetings of the Parish Council. The meeting is live streamed via Facebook and recorded.	
2022-0125	Apologies for Absence Cllr A Bonham, Cllr J Warns. Noted.	
2022-0126	Declarations of Interests of items on the agenda Cllr P Gabillia – pecuniary interest in planning application 20221156. Cllr M Savory – pecuniary interest in planning application 20221302.	
2022-0127	Minutes of the Previous Meeting It was resolved, with two abstentions, to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25th July 2022. The minutes were signed by the Chairman of the meeting, Cllr Wilkins.	
2022-0128	Actions from the Minutes (Not on the Agenda) 2022-0117 – chainsaw insurance – the current insurers will not cover chainsaw use. 2 other insurance companies were contacted, one did not respond and the other one, Zurich, might be interested but only if they did the whole Council insurance but would not guarantee cover would be provided. They definitely would not cover just volunteers. Therefore there is currently no insurance for chainsaw use and no chainsaw work is being undertaken.	
2022-0129	Public Participation DCllr Davis read out his and DCllr Laming's report (see attached). A member of the public asked about the responsibility for the drainage along Strumpshaw Road. The leaves from 2 large horse chestnut trees block the drains causing rainfall to divert into the Mallards resulting in residents having to pay for the removal of debris brought in by the rain. The blocked drains are also contributing to flooding under the railway bridge. NCC Highways are responsible for blocked drains. The Council is in regular contact with the Highways engineer and will refer the problem to Cllr Andrew Proctor also.	
2022-0130	Chairman's Report I am pleased to be able to finally report, after a lengthy process, that the planning conditions for Phase 1 of the Sports Hub relating to the 3G pitch and car park were signed off by Broadland last Friday. This means that our contractors for Phase 1, S and C Slatter, can start on site, and we anticipate that this will be early September. I am delighted that we and our local community will finally be able to see tangible progress with	

	the construction after months and indeed years of preparation to get us to this point. I would like to express my appreciation of all of the work and effort which the sports hub sub group, the clerks, and many others have put in to make this happen - at times it has been frustrating to say the least with a number of challenges put on our way but we have finally got to this important stage with the project. I will update further on the project during the agenda but just wanted to highlight that this milestone has now been reached.	
2022-0131	Committee Report Sports Hub – given by Cllr Wilkins The contractor is having meetings with UKPN regarding moving the transformer on the site. The construction plans are being finalised, although there is no timeline yet. Construction is expected to start in September, taking around 9 months. Phase2: Cllr Whitehouse is working to finalise the outstanding issues. Amendments to existing drawings are needed and another report for the electrics. Finalising who does what is needed with only a couple of hurdles still to get over. There is a meeting with consultants and the architect next week and after that we should know where we are. It has been a challenge but we need the right people to make sure all services in the right place before construction is finished. Cllr Warne thanked the sub-group for their work in getting to this stage and suggested there should be a publicity event on the first day of construction. And additional specific signage to promote the project. Village Green and Country Park projects – given by Cllr Gabillia Village Green: Cllrs Gabillia, Whitehouse and Savory will be meeting with the Memorial Hall representatives on the 21st September to confer on the vision for the Village Green. Country Park: work has been completed on the draft CIO constitution but not yet shared with Blofield PC. A meeting has been arranged with Hopkins Homes on the 6th September when we hope to talk about the footpath to the north of the development and the designs for the attenuation ponds. Once that has taken place we will arrange a meeting with Blofield PC. Brundall Memorial Hall Not much to update since the last meeting. Patrick Lovatt gave an update to the Recreation and Wellbeing Committee. Recreation and Wellbeing Committee – given by Cllr Gabillia Various updates are already on the agenda. Mehmet Yaman has left the committee and Emma King was co-opted specifically to look at EV charging points. A bridge update was given: no costing have been received and the Land Management committee declined the offer of a dual bid for some of the CCllr Ward funds. The Wildlife and Biodiversity group work has been paused until after a meeting in September to discuss the wider ecological work of the Council. The air quality data was not received. Cllr Savory is looking at the Safer Journey to School project. The Council ratified the co-option of Emma King on to the committee.	
2022-0132	Planning [Cllr Gabillia left the meeting] The Council considered the following applications: 20221156 - Description: Demolish existing garage & construct new two-storey side extension. Replace the existing flat roof rear extension with a new flat roof rear extension. Location: Herons Hill, 35 The Street, Brundall, NR13 5AA Application Type: Householder. No objections. [Cllr Gabillia returned to the meeting, Cllr Savory left the meeting]. 20221302 – Description: Single & two store front extension Location: 34 Lackford Close, Brundall, NR13 5NG Application Type: Householder. No objections. [Cllr Savory returned to the meeting]	
2022-0133	Meeting at Broom Boats	

	Cllrs Gabillia, Buckley, Abbott, Britt and the Clerk, along with Cllr Proctor, DCllrs Davis and Laming, a representative from the Riverside Association, Kevin Peachment, and the managing director of Waterlodge UK, attended a meeting at Brooms Boats where Anthony Howell, the managing director, gave a presentation on his vision for the site. He has been MD since 2020 and wants to transform the business into a sustainable operation, both financially and environmentally. The site is 9 acres of land and buildings, in some state of disrepair. Boat ownership has fallen alongside the electrification of new boats. There are fewer boat owners but more hirers. The vision for the site includes: • The redevelopment of The Yare into The White Heron • Removal of quay headings to be replaced with floating pontoons to accommodate floating lodges • Gated private moorings • A boat repair centre with the capacity to provide apprenticeships • A public slipway for use by the village There is a Brooms Boats Green 10 plan, 10 steps to carbon neutrality. They are mapping the water quality round the southern Broads. Their initial planning application was withdrawn but they took on board the feedback they received in the process. There was frustration at the criticisms about the possible amount of traffic on Station Road as current industrial classification of the site would not require change of use and could see a significant increase in traffic, however he believes this is not the right approach. There are 2 major challenges to realising the vision: Water lodges – there is some debate over whether they are classified as boats or not. They are fundamental to the viability of the vision so this needs clarification. Station Road – the challenge is to make is a safe passage for all users, pedestrians, bicycles and vehicles. Brooms Boats are not the only stakeholders in this. It feels isolated from the rest of the village and it has been suggested it has been narrowed by Highways at some point. There used to be 22 boatyards on the site but there are now only 2 which therefore must have resulted in a reduction in traffic. Users of the railway are parking on Station Road rather than paying for the car park. It may be possible to expand the Safer Journey to School route(s) to include part of the site. And a possible option would be to make Station Road a clearway to prevent all parking. Brundall Bay Marina did get planning permission to extend their moorings by 20% without any mention of Station Road. The project is built around sustainable tourism. Redevelopment of the pub is the first step to getting community engagement. The Council asked the Clerk to invite Anthony Howell to give a presentation to the Council.*	*Clerk
2022-0134	Road Safety in Brundall – Cllrs Abbott and Savory The SAM2 data was recalibrated to 20mph and located on The Street near The Dales facing Strumpshaw. There were 77,502 vehicle movements over 29 days. The average speed was 25.1mph. The fastest speed recorded was 55mph. Cllr Savory is going to interrogate the traffic information on Blofield PC's website to make a comparison with their vehicle movements. The additional signs promised by the Highways engineer have not yet appeared, the Clerk was asked to chase.* We cannot have repeater signs for the 20mph but can have 'max speed' signs. It was reported that the number of Police speed vans will be increasing from 4 to 6 as there is higher than average speed limit non-compliance in Norfolk. The Council agreed the following points for action over the next few months: • Restart the Community Speed Watch, with Cllr Tungate taking a lead • Engage with the Police for more speeding enforcement in the village, including inviting the local policing team to the next meeting • Publish the speeding statistics on a regular basis to highlight the problems, and as evidence gathering for future traffic measures throughout the village • Push Highways for further improvements on The Street, including extending the 20mph towards to Cucumber Lane and additional signage. The Clerk is still compiling information for the Safer Journey to School plan to bring to the September meeting.	*Clerk
2022-0135	Postwick Park and Ride	

	CCllr Proctor has confirmed that reopening the Postwick Park and Ride is not economically viable at this time. Thanks were given to DCllr Laming for all the work she has done already. There has been no new progress in the last month. The press have picked up the story but funding is an issue. The rent received from the Department of Health is likely to have been substantial and there will be less of an income from Aviva, who rented parking space, as they are moving to more home working. NCC are not prepared to subsidise the service even though there is substantial development happening at Broadland Gate and BDC and SNC are moving their offices to the Horizon Building. The Council will keep an eye on the plans for the land and promote some sort of continued transport service as local bus and train options are particularly poor on Sundays.	
2022-0136	Finance Bills for payment for August 2022– £13,358.32 (see below). The payments were unanimously approved by the Council. The Council noted and ratified that Cllr Britt had confirmed the July 2022 payments. Brundall Bolts submitted a grant application for funding towards portable floodlights. The Council had several queries they requested answers to before being able to make a decision: are they applying for funding from anyone else; what will they do with the floodlights once they are no longer needed once the Sports Hub is open; is it possible to hire floodlights for this winter in anticipation of the Sports Hub opening next year, or borrow some from another club? The Council is keen to support the Bolts in their provision of sport for the village but have limited funds available.	
2022-0137	Clerk's Correspondence None received.	
2022-0138	Items for the Next Agenda Dog waste bins Police attendance at a meeting Brooms presentation to the Council Safer journey to school Update from a meeting to discuss the Biodiversity Group	
2022-0139	Date, time, and venue of next Parish Council Meeting 26th September 2022 at 7pm at the St Laurence Centre. The meeting finished at 20:44.	
Signed as a true record Date		

2022-0136**PAYMENTS FOR August 2022**

	Net	VAT	Gross
Parish clerk costs	£5,470.76	£0.00	£5,470.76
Office expense	£156.61	£12.49	£169.10
Telephone	£68.76	£13.75	£82.51
Room Hire	£79.50	£0.00	£79.50
Training	£90.00	£6.00	£96.00
Grass cutting monthly contract	£633.17	£126.63	£759.80
Street Lighting	£291.85	£54.13	£345.98
Handyman and cleaning	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
Cemetery	£200.00	£40.00	£240.00
Countryside Park	£17.52	£0.00	£17.52
Cremers	£2,798.31	£546.75	£3,345.06
Trees	£449.83	£89.97	£539.80
Projects	£680.00	£0.00	£680.00
Refuse collection	£1,032.29	£0.00	£1,032.29

Total expenditure	£12,468.60	£889.72	£13,358.32
RECEIPTS FOR August 2022			
Precept			
Cemetery	£1,430.00		
Allotments	£5.00		
Interest	£18.85		
Total Income	£1,453.85		
HSBC Current A/C as at 18/8/22	£37,596.61		
HSBC Deposit A/C as at 18/8/22	£165,047.67		
Unity Bank A/C as at 18/8/22	£66,994.57		
Transfers to/from Deposit A/C from/to Current A/c	£0.00		
Transfers to/from BDC Parish Deposit	£0.00		
Transfers to/from Unity Bank	£20,000.00		

2022-0129Broadland District Councillors Report for Brundall Parish Council Meeting – 22 August 2022

The Postwick park and ride service may not re-open. Cllr Laming has written to both Norfolk County Council and Konectbus on the importance of exploring opportunities for a bus service, Park & Ride or regular, from Postwick into the city centre.

Changes were agreed at Main Council on 28 July to combine the 2 existing committees (Wellbeing and Place Shaping) into one which will be called the Communities, Housing and Planning Policy Development Panel.

The district wide food waste collection will begin from Monday 3 October 2022, and caddy bins will be distributed to those households who need them from 5 September.

A letter from the government Chief Planner regarding Nutrient Neutrality was received by BDC on 21 July. Action is being taken for sewerage companies to upgrade their wastewater treatment works in areas affected by nutrient neutrality by 2030. Mitigation schemes to address nutrient pollution will still be required for planning applications. To ensure mitigation is available for development to demonstrate neutrality, Natural England will establish a Nutrient Mitigation Scheme with Defra and DLUHC providing funding for mitigation projects, including wetland and woodland creation. The possibility of adverse effects from additional nutrient loads will need to be considered in planning applications as part of a Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA). Developers can then purchase 'nutrient credits' which will discharge the requirements to provide mitigation.

Cllr Davis and Cllr Laming together with members of Brundall parish council and interested parties attended an informative workshop at Broom Boats, Brundall on 1st August. A vision was outlined for the development of the site to grow the business in a greener way and provide employment opportunities through tourism and leisure.

A new Broadland Gate post office will be opening at WHSmith in the Gridserve Electric Forecourt, Maple Way on 19 September.

A consultation is running on a 'table of fares' which would fix the rates for distance, time and other charges in connection with the hiring of licensed hackney carriages. The consultation will end on 16/9/22.

The Community at Heart Awards, sponsored by Clarion Housing Group, are open for nominations. There are eight categories and nominations close on 12th September.
Categories:

- Inspiration of the Year
- Young Person of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Helping Hand Award
- Green at Heart Award
- Business in the Community Award
- Community Group of the Year
- Community Hero

The two councils, Broadland and South Norfolk, will jointly run a series of Business Breakfasts at venues in the two districts. Meetings will give council officers and members the opportunity to update businesses on council services relevant to businesses and give businesses the chance to ask questions of the council. Businesses are invited to raise topics they would like to see covered.

(Submitted by Cllr Jan Davis and Cllr Eleanor Laming, 16/8/22)