

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BROADHEMPSTON PARISH COUNCIL
THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019 AT BROADHEMPSTON VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs Dowson, Head, Hoyle, Isaacs, Southwood, Sutcliffe and Wright
District Cllr Smith

Apologies: Cllr Stevens

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk)
4 members of the Public

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chair will open the meeting and receive and approve any apologies.	Cllr Dowson opened the meeting at 19.30. It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the apologies of Cllr Stevens.
2	To declare any interests arising at this meeting.	There were no interests declared.
	<i>The Council will adjourn for the following items:</i>	
3	<u>Public Question Time</u> : A period of 15 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding the work of the Council or other items that affect Broadhempston. <u>County and District Councillors' Reports</u>	No members of the public wished to speak. District Cllr Smith's report forms part of the minutes. Cllr Sutcliffe raised the issue of dogs at Headlands. A resident has complained to him that private bins near Headlands are being used for dog waste. Whilst there are benefits to allowing dogs at Headlands, some dog walkers are not being responsible. There is a bin at Headlands, which is used. It was NOTED that this issue will be passed on to the Headlands committee. Roger Acton reported that a trial of allowing dogs on Headlands had received very positive feedback. The CIO are trying to make Headlands a more utilised space within the village and this appears to encourage more people to use it. Additionally, Cllr Sutcliffe stated that he had received complaints of dog waste not being picked up and stray dogs on the field. Cllr Dowson stated that he felt this was not an issue of great concern to many people. Cllr Hoyle stated that he had spoken to football club members on several occasions, who appeared to be happy. It was suggested that additional signage should be obtained regarding dog waste and that the lower gate be fixed.
	<i>The Council will convene to conduct the following business:</i>	
4	Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the Council and approve the minutes of the following: 14 March 2019 28 March 2019 (Planning)	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes. It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes.
5	Neighbourhood Plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To retrospectively approve the designation of the Neighbourhood Plan area To consider financial support to the Steering Group and to note the intention to apply to Locality for funding 	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the designation letter. Cllr Head suggested that it should be requested that the road between Poole Farm and Broadhempston form part of the village boundary. Action: Clerk to contact TDC. Cllr Wright reported that the Steering Group is keen to undertake a letter drop and obtain a banner for the railings to report on the plan. The clerk will be applying to Locality for a grant when it reopens. Cllr Hoyle PROPOSED that the council loan the Steering Group money for

		<p>the banner and leaflet printing. This was SECONDED by Cllr Sutcliffe and APPROVED.</p> <p>Cllr Wright suggested that outsourcing work is likely to be required and this will use much of the grant money.</p>
6	Small Playing Field.	<p>It was NOTED that Teign Housing have taken responsibility for the fence that collapsed over two months ago, which will be fixed in due course. It was NOTED that there is a dog in Church Hill Cottages and the clerk would request that the fence is fixed prior to the start of the new term.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to contact Teign Housing.</p> <p>It was NOTED that the school intend to plant trees along the fence next year. Cllr Wright had suggested to the school that they apply for slither larger whips as the ones available from the Woodland Trust are likely to be quite small.</p> <p>It was NOTED that some of the equipment on the small playing field will require work in the future and it was suggested that this could be considered by the new council in May.</p>
7	Headlands.	<p>Cllr Hoyle reported that there had been a Headlands meeting a few weeks ago. It was NOTED that there has been further work on fundraising and a discussion with the clerk regarding VAT. David Heath is working on the planning application and further information is awaited. The current position is positive, and money from the Parish Council and £10000 from Awards for All has made it possible for work at Headlands to start.</p>
8	<p>Kings Close Field:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teign Housing lease • Teign Housing estate visits 	<p>It was NOTED that Tozers have found issues with the deed of variation received from Teign Housing. Clarification has been requested, but there has been no further correspondence to date. Action: Agenda item for May.</p> <p>It was NOTED that the clerk would be advised of the next estate visit and Parish Councillors are invited to attend.</p> <p>It was NOTED that there is old metal fencing in the bank at Church Hill Cottages car park, which is likely to be the responsibility of the Parish Council. Cllr Sutcliffe suggested that work in the car park could be undertaken on the same day as the village litter pick.</p>
9	To consider the proposal to declare a climate emergency.	<p>Cllr Sutcliffe reported that most councils are adopting a climate emergency declaration in recognition of the concerns raised by IPCC. It was NOTED that TDC had adopted the same motion and had installed solar panels on buildings they own. In terms of future planning, there may be projects that the Parish Council could support. Additionally, farms will be required to adopt more sustainable methods ie electrical machinery.</p> <p>Cllr Wright suggested that there are small things that the Parish Council can do to support this in terms of sundries and less paper usage.</p> <p><i>Standing orders were suspended.</i></p> <p>A resident explained that there is a leadership responsibility to ensure that people are aware of this, especially in small communities. It is self-evident that this is important, and something needs be done. Pressure from other areas will ensure that the government listens.</p> <p><i>Standing orders were reinstated.</i></p> <p>This issue has been picked up by the wider community including younger people and there has been a big movement.</p> <p>Cllr Dowson suggested that the Parish Council could launch a petition.</p> <p>Cllr Wright also suggested that the Neighbourhood Plan can work on this. He is determined to get out a message that it not just a planning document, but includes use of green spaces, infrastructure and energy.</p>

		<p>He went on to suggest that the Parish Council could investigate energy buying groups and investment in renewable energy.</p> <p>District Cllr Smith suggested a community energy project may be something that could be considered after further investigation.</p> <p>Cllr Sutcliffe PROPOSED that Broadhempston Parish Council affirms its recognition of the scale and urgency of the global challenge from climate change, as documented by the latest Special Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and declares a climate emergency. This was SECONDED by Cllr Wright and APPROVED.</p>
10	Village litter picking event.	<p>It was NOTED that a litter picking kit has been obtained from TDC. The clerk has provided a risk assessment.</p> <p>It was NOTED that the Parish Council has public liability insurance and the event will be arranged by B-Eco and the Parish Council. It was NOTED that a date for the litter pick will be agreed once the kit has been delivered. The date would be advertised, along with consideration of priority areas for litter picking.</p>
11	<p>Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To agree accounts for payment To note the opening of the Rural Aid Fund and to consider projects for funding 	<p>It was RESOLVED to APPROVE accounts for payment.</p> <p>Consideration was given to applying for work in the Community Orchard and additional parking (area to be decided) for allotment holders.</p> <p>Action: Agenda item for May.</p>
12	<p>Allotments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on Community Orchard proposals Allotment report 	<p>Cllr Hoyle reported that a working group meeting had been held. It was decided that visits to other orchards would be organised, fundraising would take place and an application for a grant of £1000 would be made to the Tree Council for trees and protection straps (this would require match funding). It was NOTED that the grant application requires permission to plant trees on the site and it was AGREED that the council supports this. It was also AGREED that the Parish Council would lead on the Community Orchard.</p> <p>Cllr Sutcliffe asked why parking cannot be created within the paddock. Cllr Wright suggested that the space could be used for more people within the community than for allotment holders' parking.</p> <p>It was NOTED that the current plan is to plant approximately 30 trees. There will be a mixture of fruit trees and wild edibles will be planted into the hedgerow which will give a variety throughout the year. Additionally, tree sponsorship/dedications are also being considered. Concerns have been raised regarding parking on the allotment site. There has been a suggestion to widen the gateway, however this may require planning permission. It was suggested that a double gate opening inwards would allow two cars to park on the site.</p> <p>It was suggested that a meeting be held with tenants to agree the best way forwards with regards to access and parking. It was AGREED that the meeting would take place on Tuesday 7 May at 18.30.</p> <p>It was NOTED that the paddock would not be cut until further decisions are made on the community orchard proposals.</p>
13	Councillors Reports: to hear reports from Councillors on highways or other matters where action can be authorised by the Council without prior notice through the next Agenda.	<p>Cllr Dowson reported that a repair café should be considered. He had spoken to a watch repairer who would be interested in supporting this.</p> <p>Action: Agenda item for May.</p> <p>Cllr Sutcliffe had attended the CPRE Rural Housing conference and had given documents to Cllr Wright regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. The meeting was very interesting. Housing Minister Kit Malthouse MP was in attendance and took a lot of questions. He stated that CPRE have their housing figures wrong, whilst CPRE stated that the government have theirs wrong. He reported that the government were forced to provide local authorities with building numbers because they took too</p>

		<p>long to agree. He reported on the flexibility of housing on brown field sites, modular building, and an emphasis on high standards which could be designated as conservation areas in the future.</p> <p>Many small and medium sized building companies disappeared in the financial crisis, leaving 5/6 large housing builders working to a tight formula. The government is pushing for more diversified housing designs. There was discussion on infrastructure and land use statistics. It was NOTED that the potholes outside Church Hill Cottages car park have still not been filled. Also, the recently filled pothole near the allotments has defected. Action: Clerk to report to DCC.</p> <p>Cllr Hoyle requested that the hedge near the triangle is covering road signage. Action: Clerk to contact land owner.</p>
14	Clerks Report.	It was NOTED that there had been six nominations for councillors, leading to an uncontested election. This would mean that a co-option can take place at the May meeting to fill the two vacant seats.
15	To note any correspondence received.	It was NOTED that TDC's Rural Skip service would take place on Saturday 11 May between 10.00 and 16.00. The clerk would advertise the event.
16	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday 09 May 2019.	<p>Cllr Dowson wished to thank Cllrs Hoyle, Southwood and Stevens for the time they had given to the village as councillors.</p> <p>The date of the next meeting was NOTED. The AGM will take place at 19.00, with the monthly meeting following at 19.30. The meeting was closed at 21.14.</p>