

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BROADHEMPSTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT BROADHEMPSTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllrs Dowson (Chair), Goddard, Hughes, Widger and Wright

Apologies: Cllrs Head, Isaacs and Sutcliffe

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk)  
 2 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 Cllrs Head, Isaacs and Sutcliffe.
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>	Rodney Perriman and Bev Hinkley were in attendance to request a loan to the community shop. His letter had been distributed to councillors, but he stated that reserves had been reduced to undertake the shop refurbishment. He has suggested a £6000 loan over a period of three years. The shop is generating a reasonable surplus and will be able to make full repayment of a loan made by an individual and a promised £2000 donation to the village hall. The shop is doing fantastically well, but the loan would make a huge difference to its finances as there were some unexpected costs at the time of refurbishment. County and District Councillors were not in attendance.
	<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: 11 July 2019	Cllr Wright PROPOSED that the minutes be accepted. This was SECONDED by Cllr Hughes and APPROVED (5:0).
5	To note the information received regarding planning application 19/00320/NPA (Ambrook Farm).	A letter from a resident had been circulated regarding the sale of land with Class Q permission in place. It was NOTED that this is a serious concern, not just with this application, but all Class Q applications. It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would write to TDC expressing concerns that the site is now being advertised for sale.
6	Neighbourhood Plan Update.	Cllr Wright reported that the Steering Group will meet on Tuesday 17 September and a report would be available for the next meeting. Results of the comments slips are being collated and results would be discussed at the meeting. TDC had also been contacted regarding their chargeable services.
7	Small Playing Field: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Playground equipment maintenance</li> </ul>	It was NOTED that painting of the equipment was being undertaken. It was also NOTED that a bench had been broken due to it being used as a ramp. It was RESOLVED that a sign would be added to the fence requesting no skateboard use. <b>Action: Clerk to create sign.</b>
8	Headlands.	There was nothing to report.
9	Kings Close Field: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teign Housing lease and S106 variation</li> </ul>	The clerk had received no further information from the solicitor regarding the lease or the variation and. <b>Action: Agenda item for October.</b> It was NOTED that the clerk had contacted TDC's bin inspector and Teign Housing regarding the bins being left on the road and not properly sought. It was also NOTED that a three-bed house is now available to rent at Kings Close Field. Anyone wishing to bid for the housing at Kings Close Field must be registered with Devon Home Choice.

10	To consider Safer Together proposals from D&S Fire & Rescue Service on changes to the service.	It was NOTED that there are concerns regarding additional risks other than fires, which include climate change, flood risk and traffic incidents. It is unknown how these issues will be mitigated with such a huge reduction in services. This particular consultation is a disservice to the fire service and it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would not support a reduction.
11	Broadhempston Parish Council's formal adoption of a Climate Emergency: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repair Café</li> <li>Future plans and goals</li> </ul>	Cllr Dowson reported that a Repair Café requires some trained volunteers, but the initiative really needs regular and committed people to support it. He would attend a Repair Café in Ashburton. He suggested that a range of things could be repaired at any one event and could include refreshments. Cllr Goddard also proposed a type of swap shop event. It was NOTED that this would be a separate issue, and the Repair Café should be focused on initially. It was NOTED that the idea of car charging points was a good idea. <b>Action: Clerk to email County Cllr Barker regarding funding streams.</b>
12	Village litter picking event.	It was NOTED that the litter picking event would take place on Sunday 13 October 2019.
13	Autumn Rural Skip	It was NOTED that the service was £1529.00 last year, and without TDC's recycling credit scheme, this was extremely expensive. Cllr Wright PROPOSED that the Autumn skip service does not take place this year. This was SECONDED by Cllr Hughes and APPROVED (5:0).
14	Community Orchard Update.	Cllr Wright reported that a second grant from the Tree Council had been obtained, which means 47 trees have been ordered. A planting event will take place on either 28/29 November.
15	To consider the creation of a Parish Council logo.	It was NOTED that quotes would be obtained for the creation of the logo. <b>Action: Agenda for October.</b>
16	Village website.	It was requested that the clerk attend a webinar regarding creating Wix website and this was APPROVED.
17	Finance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To agree accounts for payment</li> <li>Grants update</li> </ul>	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE accounts for payment. Consideration was given to the loan request for the Parish Council. Cllr Hughes PROPOSED that the shop be offered a loan of £6000.00 at an interest rate of 1%. This was SECONDED by Cllr Dowson and APPROVED (5:0).
18	Allotments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allotment report</li> </ul>	It was NOTED that two plots are in a poor state and they would be reassessed in December. Cllr Hughes suggested that the use of chemicals on the allotment field was unsuitable due to the recent climate change declaration. It was NOTED that the council could advise tenants but would be unable to monitor or enforce this. It was AGREED that the clerk would contact tenants in December.
19	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.	It was requested that the clerk contact DCC regarding reducing the cutting of verges. <b>Action: Clerk to contact DCC.</b> It was NOTED that some of the drains at No Place Hill require jetting, which has been reported to DCC.
20	Clerks Report.	The clerk had received a progress from the Archive and History Group, which stated that they are obtaining advice of the best way to update their IT systems. The permanent timeline display is being constructed but there have been technical problems with recycling the oak pews. There has been a good response to the draft display in the church, so the permanent one should attract even more interest.
21	To note any correspondence received.	DALC Annual Report.
22	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday 10 October 2019.	This was NOTED. The meeting was closed at 21.13.