

# LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at The Haywain Public House, on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

**In Attendance:**                      **Councillor J Buxton (Chairman)**  
**Councillor I Smith**  
**Councillor S Sauka**  
**Clerk – D Sauka**

### **Meeting commenced @ 19.30pm**

7 members of the public attended

#### **65/1. Apologies to be received and accepted**

Cllr C Guglielmi  
Cllr Spall  
Cllr Stock

#### **65/2. Members Interests**

- To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, other Pecuniary or Non Pecuniary interests  
None.

#### **65/3. Reports**

- a) County Councillor - December 2021 - Entered into Records
- b) District Councillor - None
- c) Parish Councillors - None
- d) Footpath Warden - New Hall Farm Foot bridge work has been completed.
- e) Tree warden - None
- f) Police Report - None

#### **65/4. To agree:**

- Minutes of PC meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021.  
Proposed by Cllr Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sauka – Unanimously agreed  
Signed by Cllr Buxton

#### **65/5. Cheques to be signed**

- None

#### **65/6. Highways**

- Traffic Calming - 30mph sign – Bentley Road  
Essex Highways policy is not to support the 30mph limit, due to geographic layout. However Cllr Guglielmi is supportive and will take the case to the Essex CC Cabinet Member who has the power to review and possibly overrule the policy. Cllr Guglielmi suggested a petition from the village backing the 30mph extension could help the case. Cllr Buxton proposed we send letter to Cllr Guglielmi and start a petition on Facebook / Nextdoor. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Smith – unanimously agreed.

### **65/7. Queens Jubilee (Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022)**

70 years – Council would like to mark the occasion – suggestions requested from the village for next meeting. Current ideas are plaque for Village sign post and street-like party in Haywain back room.

### **65/8 . Planning**

- **Land rear of Council Houses** – Application has been approved and now up for sale.
- **Mullys Farm – Public Access** – Still not resolved
  - Access of formal parking** – Still not resolved
  - Turning Circle** – Still not resolved
- **Battery Farm** – [see item 65.9](#)

### **65/9. Battery Farm (item brought forward - after 65.5)**

Construction of a 50MW Battery Energy Storage System Facility (BESS) and associated access, landscaping and other infrastructure works on land immediately to the west of the Lawford sub-station, Little Bromley Road, Ardleigh – bordering Little Bromley.

Neil Waterson and colleague attended form Cambridge Power Limited – confirmed they have also consulted with Ardleigh Council. Confirmed that planning application had been submitted to TDC for consideration. ([Notes on Scheme can be found on September 2021 minutes - item 63.5](#)). Confirmed that no other applications from them within the Tendring area are to be submitted. Construction would take approx. 12 months (Mon to Fri – Half day Sat) approx. 30 HGV's per week (5/6 per day) Site manager would make sure HGV's adhered to outlined route to site, (A120, A133, B1029, Woodhouse Lane (avoiding LT Bromley Village) also avoiding traffic peaks.

Site would be 1 hectare, entrance north of Ardleigh road, site to be screened from the road by landscaping – with no environmental impact. Trees to be planted with 10% gain in bio diversity. Ardleigh Council have objected on 2 reasons – Narrow country lanes & potential additional infrastructure from 5 Estuaries Wind Farm.

Application proposal has been supported by the National grid.

Has been advertised in parish magazine and village Facebook Page with no objections being received.

Cllr Buxton suggested LBPC support the application. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Smith – Unanimously agreed.

### **65/10. Defibrillator** – Installed – Thanks to the Haywain and Electrician (Galvin)

### **65/11. Village Notice Board** – In process - No update

### **65/12. Memorial Garden** –

Cllr Buxton to contact Jenny Nichols and Gregory Frostick to further discuss. Will then have to go the Diocese for consideration.

### **65/13. Bus (No 2)**

Cllr Buxton wrote to Ipswich Bus services twice regarding the irregularity of the service, but has yet to receive a response.

### **65/14. Bank Account**

Clerk to Make enquiries with Barclays Bank

### **65/15. Little Bromley Conservation Fund**

Parish Council would like to set up a fund for the village, for tree planting, hedging,

Bird / Bat Boxes etc. Projects like Cambridge Power Ltd and events like the Corbeau Seat Rally could potentially contribute. Proposed Cllr Buxton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sauka – Unanimously agreed.

#### **65/16. Village Water Course's**

Little Bromley has a high water table and in 'wet' years there has been a level of flooding and inconvenience to village residents. In some areas of the village the drainage flow is a mystery, and there are several places where the drains / ditches seem not to be functioning how they are intended. As such Cllr Buxton suggested that he would like to make a map of the water course's around the village, with the residents help. This will give the village a useful document for reference when the next 'wet' year occurs.

Proposed Cllr Buxton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sauka, unanimously agreed.

#### **65/17. Five Estuaries Windfarm & proposed Substation**

Remain on the agenda for tracking progress.

#### **65/18. Corbeau Seat Rally – Tendring & Clacton 2022 Event – 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

Cllr Smith to make contact to invite them to the next meeting March 2022.

Also to make them aware of the Conservation fund being set up.

#### **65/19. Correspondence**

- **Speeding through village** – resident contacted Harwich Speed Watch directly, has not received a response. Cllr Buxton to make contact to see if they could resume the watch through the village.

#### **65/20. Urgent items**

None

#### **65/21. Public Participation**

- 10K run has been moved to the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022

#### **65/22. Next meeting date**

- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 @ 7.30pm

**Meeting Closed 20.25 pm**