

LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of closed meeting of the Parish Council held via zoom meeting on Thursday 21st May 2020 on the rise of the previous meeting

In Attendance:

- Councillor J Buxton (Chairman)**
- Councillor A Spall (Vice Chairman)**
- Councillor I Smith**
- Councillor N Stock**
- Councillor S Sauka**
- D Sauka – Clerk**

Meeting commenced @ 19.10pm

No members of the public attended

52/1. Apologies to be received and accepted

None

52/2. Members Interests

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

52/3. Reports

a) County Councillor - Report received from Cllr Guglielmi - Entered into records

b) District Councillor - TDC has received inspectors letter back on the local plan (garden community – between Colchester, Braintree & TDC) Inspector did not like the plan and removed 2 of the proposals, but retained the TDC Plan (Ardleigh / Essex university area). Depending on the other 2 councils decision, plan may have to be restarted.
£100 Million already allocated for new link road from A133 (Clingo Hill) to A120 (by Texico Garage).

c) Parish Councillors – None

d) Footpath Warden - None

Cllr Buxton stated that he confronted persons cut back trees/shrubs down Chequers lane. They stated they were Ramblers and were clearing the footpath. Cllr Buxton pointed out that we have a local footpath warden, that the footpath is used daily, and that they should have contacted the Parish Council or Tendring District Council before taking such action. He asked them to stop, which they did, leaving behind what they had already cut off.

Cllr Stock proposed that the Council write to the local Ramblers Association to request they refrain from cutting trees / shrubs within the village. 2nd Cllr Smith – Unanimous

e) Tree Warden – None

f) Police Report - None

52/4. To agree:

- Minutes of PC meeting held on 2nd April 2020
Cllr Buxton Proposed, 2nd Cllr Stock – Unanimously agreed.
Clerk to sign as correct and post up

52/5. Corona Virus

- **In general** – Cllr Buxton thanked Cllr Spall for all her hard work in organising the gift packages, that were delivered by her and Cllr Smith around the village. Villagers have expressed their thanks to the Council for the gesture.
- **Emergency Fund** – Cllr Spall stated that the terms of the Village Fund are to be changed so that it can be used more for active plans for the village.

52/6. Highways

- **Traffic Calming**
 - 30mph sign – Bentley Road
Cllr Buxton received an email from Bernard Jenkins assistant, stating that he is happy request a meeting with Parish Councillor's, local County representative - Cllr C Guglielmi and Essex highways, to further discuss.
Meeting to be organised at a later date (after lockdown)

52/7. Village Sign

- **Update – Post to be replaced**
decision made to just clean sign, engrave post for VE Day Memorial and reinstate.
- **Wording for engraving / costs**
Wording - **V.E DAY 8 MAY 1945 – 2020 75 YEARS** / Cost £330 + Vat
Cllr Buxton proposed, 2nd Cllr Spall – Unanimously agreed

52/8. Fly Tipping

Has become more apparent over the past couple of months. Once reported, TDC are prompt to remove.

Cllr Smith reported that some of the waste disposals units in the area had opened, but only to take hazardous waste, not household waste.

52/9. Little Bromley Village Website

- **Update / Fees** – H Frostick has agreed to a one off fee of £150 for transferring website to new domain, and support of the website for the next 5 years and beyond depending on circumstance.
Proposed by Cllr Buxton, 2nd Cllr Stock – Unanimously agreed

52/10. Cheques to be signed

- **EALC – 2020/2012 Affiliation fees - £70.97**
Agreed – To be signed by Cllr Smith & Cllr Spall
- **Came & Co – Insurance - £330.00**
Cllr Buxton requested Clerk look for cheaper quote. Clerk already made enquiries with different insurers, awaiting return quotes. Clerk also to establish exactly what the council are covered for.
Clerk to inform Came & Co that the council will not be renewing insurance with them.
Proposed by Cllr Smith, 2nd Cllr Stock – Unanimously agreed.

- **Hugh Frostick - £150 for website (to be agreed on item 52.9)**

Agreed – To be signed by Cllr Smith & Cllr Spall

52/11. Planning Applications

- **Mully's Farm** – Advised appeal is with Bristol planning inspector
- **Grove Cottage** – Appeal on TDC Website

52/12. Defibrillator

Carpark - currently with TDC project team to establish how to supply electricity to unit. LBPC to supply unit

Haywain Ph – Cllr Buxton to consult with owners / tenant regarding supplying and siting unit at the pub.

52/13. Little Bromley Church

- **Memorial Garden** - Ongoing

52/14. Correspondence

Member of the public has requested the support of the Council to have "Ancient Footpaths" around the village that have been closed, reopened. Member of the public has approached TDC. To be added to next agenda.

Cllr Smith received correspondence from Bakers of Danbury regarding village sign. Cllr Smith told them, Council had commissioned another contractor.

Member of the public complained about the amount of lorries continuing to travel the village. Cllr Smith responded with the usual response (Video evidence needed, so that it could be sent to Trading Standards)

52/15. Urgent items

Members of the public have reported a chemical smell around the Haywain Ph area, with the public having to go into their properties and shutting windows. Public Health have been informed.

Councillor Spall said that an alleged complaint had been made against her to do with the planters and her role on the Village Fund and as a Councillor. Councillor Spall asked whether she had the full support her fellow councillors. It was agreed unanimously that she had.

52/16. Public Participation

- Matters arising from members of the public

52/17. Next meeting date - TBA

- Provisionally - Thursday 16th July 2020 @ 7.30pm

Meeting closed @ 20.13

Signed: 

Dated: 17/7/2020

Name: Jon Buxton