

LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Haywain , Little Bromley on Thursday 21st April 2016 at 19.30pm

In Attendance: Councillor N Stock (Chairman)
Councillor K Hatch (Vice Chairman)
Councillor A Spall
Councillor R Knott
Dawn Sauka - Clerk

1 members of the public attended + Cllr Carlo Guglielmi

23/1. Apologies for absence

- None Received.

23/2. Casual Vacancy

- To be filled by Co-Option – 2 candidates in mind. Cllr Spall to approach.

23/3. Members Interests

- To declare any Discloseable Pecuniary, other Pecuniary or Non Pecuniary interests

Cllr Knott declared Non Pecuniary interest in 23/11, and will leave the room when being discussed.

23/4. Reports

- a) **County Councillor – Cllr Carlo Guglielmi** stated that he had sent his report to the Clerk. Clerk to circulate to Parish Councillors.

Cllr Guglielmi stated that there is likely to be reshuffle at County Council, leaving 2 council positions vacant. Roger Hurst is standing for BCC in May, and Cllr Derek Lewis who had to step down. Announcement due after May, which will be last year of office, with the election being in 2017.

- b) **District Councillor – Cllr Stock** reported local plan is proceeding at pace, notwithstanding objections. Proposal for Tendring Central Garden Village at Frating was not agreed, and currently not in proposal, but this may be put back in by Planning officer. Current proposal is for 1,400 at Weeley, as more sustainable due to infrastructure. ie. Train Station, Primary School, Main Road etc.

- c) **Parish Councillors** – Nothing to report

- d) **Footpath Warden** – Not attending

e) **Tree Warden** – Cllr Spall stated that nearly all potted trees have gone, mostly in Gt Bromley.

f) **Amenities Group** – Littler Pick in April – collected 22 bags of rubbish. Asbestos found dumped in ditch which is to be reported to District Council. Quiz Night to be held in May, Bingo night to be arranged. All advertised on website.

23/5. Public Participation

- None

23/6. To agree:

- Minutes of meeting held on 18th February 2016.
Cllr Stock agreed minutes. Cllr Spall proposed, Cllr Hatch 2nd.
Unanimously agreed and signed.

23/7. Parish Council Ambitions

- **Mains Sewer Water:-**
Village should apply again to Affinity Water, to establish what is needed to get mains water.
Cllr Stock to make enquiries with Affinity Water.
- **Traffic Calming :-**
Village Entrance Gates – Cllr Guglielmi reported that this is currently with validation.
Cllr Stock stated that two pairs of gates were needed to indicate to drivers start and end of village.
 - White Lining – Cllr Stock expressed concerns that the white lines / 30mph through the entire village were fading away from entrance to exit. Cllr Guglielmi stated that this is a highways maintenance issue. Cllr Hatch to walk the village, and report worst areas.

Cllr Knott asked how flexible highways would be for further traffic calming measures, as entire village does not have footpaths. Cllr Guglielmi, stated that would be new traffic calming scheme which would have to be perused through Highways panel, and would send Clerk the appropriate forms to be filled in, which he would support on submission.

- **Broadband** – Cllr Guglielmi stated that TDC has allocated monies towards Super-Fast Broadband. Meeting held with Connie Curtis who stated that 95% of Essex will be Super-Fast. Cllr Stock said that 95% is not good enough, it should be 100%, and should be treated as a basic utility. Mrs Curtis stated that Little Bromley would probably need FTTP (Fibre optic To The Premises). Member of the public stated that there was a lightning strike last week, which took out 500m of copper cable, and this is now being replaced with copper cable. Asked why it was not being replaced with FTTP? Also what do Little Bromley have to do to get Cash from TDC to get FTTP installed in the village.
Cllr Guglielmi stated that TDC have asked BT openreach for a price to get 100% of the District covered, to which they have yet to receive an answer.
Cllr Stock created a Cabinet position on the council, with specialist responsible for Super-fast Broadband – who is also struggling to get anywhere.
Cllr Knott stated that he had an engineer test his speed whilst working on the damaged cable, and was found to be 1.15mb, which is totally unacceptable.

Cllr Guglielmi, suggested that Bernard Jenkins should now become involved, and he will be writing to him. Cllr Spall asked if there was anyone else that the Council could employ to put in the cables. Response was Giga Clear (partnering BT for remote areas), but they require an area with minimum of 1000 houses. Cllr Guglielmi will write to Kevin (cabinet member responsible) regarding Little Bromley's frustrations, also asking him to contact Giga Clear.

- Street Light
Clerk received call from Tendring Housing Offices, requiring details of network provider and details of cost, so that they can take over responsibility. Clerk to forward details.
- 30mph at end of village (covered under White Lines)
- Village Plans – Cllr Stock to supply map of village for next meeting
- Ambition suggestions – To be discussed at next meeting

23/8. Bank Account

- Change of details – Clerk wrote to Barclays Bank, regarding troubles being encountered. Has yet to receive a response.

23/9. Cheques to be signed

- EALC – Signed by Cllr Spall & Cllr Hatch

23/10. VAS Sign

- Cllr Guglielmi stated that it had verbally agreed by Cllr Bass, and has now been passed to Cabinet Member Action (CMA) to Cllr Johnson to be signed off. Parish Council should receive confirmation within the next few weeks. Cllr Guglielmi will chase Cllr Johnson at next surgery meeting and establish a time frame. Cllr Knott asked where sign would be situated – and would it be mobile, which could be moved about. Cllr Guglielmi stated that Parish Council should take advice from highways regarding siting, and would be static sign. Parish Council stated they would prefer mobile VAS sign, but would not want to lose static sign.

23/11. Planning Applications

- Crabtrees, Paynes Lane – (Cllr Knott left the room). Cllr Stock stated that the application had been supported by the councillors, by an out of meeting decision. Cllr Stock proposed. Cllr Spall 2nd. Unanimously agree. (Cllr Knott returned to meeting)

23/12. Correspondence

- Invoice from EALC – in respect of EALC & NALC Fee's – Council unanimously agreed – Cheque signed as per 23/9.
- Remittance Advice for First instalment of Parish Precept - £1,000 received.

23/13. 10K Run – 10th April 2016

- Cllr Knott reported run was a great success, and that they were going to do another run next year - to be held on 9th April 2017. Harwich runners Club supplied all equipment, so there was no expenditure. Event raised over £2,500 towards the church fund. Cllr Stock stated that it had raised the prestige of the village and thanked Cllr Knott, also asked Cllr Knott to pass on the Councils thanks to Harwich Runners Club, for their support. Positive feedback from runners. 500 entries - 400 ran.

23/14. S106 Monies

- Cllr Spall spoke with William Marshall, to see if the monies could be claimed in sections, due to invoices being paid.

23/15. Remembrance Sunday

- Request from member of the public, to do a talk in the Church on Remembrance Sunday after the memorial service. Friends of Lt Bromley Church suggested that this should be run by the Parish Council. Decision was made to invite Mark Ashmore to the next Parish Council meeting to discuss. Cllr Knott to speak with Bugler to attend remembrance Sunday.

23/16. Village Planters –

- £120 allocated within the Council Budget. Cllr Knott to buy plants and submit invoice to council for payment. Formally moved by Cllr Stock. 2nd Cllr Spall

23/17. Bird Scare’s surrounding village.

- Complaints received by Parish Council, about Gas Guns annoying villager / pets, In fields at the back of Shop Road. Cllr Stock to contact Mr Tabor of Tabor Farms regarding issue.

23/18. Urgent items

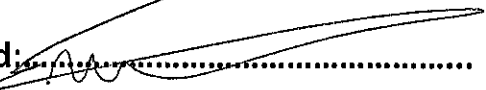
Parish Annual assembly meeting to be held between 15th April – 29th May
 Council decided to bring forward the next meeting from the 16th June to the 19th May to accommodate the Annual meeting and Parish meeting. June meeting to be cancelled. Clerk to inform Haywain of change of date.

23/19. Public Participation

Cllr Knott asked Cllr Guglielmi, what County Council was doing regarding rubbish on the Essex Roads. Cllr Stock stated that the waste transfer facility was moved to the A120 near Ardleigh, where all dust carts unload. Rubbish is then taken away by 40 tonne lorries to Basildon, and are not covered properly, so rubbish is flying out of the top of them. Cllr Guglielmi, stated that they had assurance that the lorries would be sheeted properly. Cllr Guglielmi to look into. A member of the public reported he had constant rubbish from McDonalds in his garden, asked if TDC could write to them, asking McDonalds to litter pick area.

Meeting closed at 20.58pm

Next meeting to be held on the 19th May 2016

Signed: 

Date: 19/5/2016

Name: NEIL STOCK