

PATRICK BROMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Present**

Councillor G Shepherd (Chairman)  
Councillor B Whitehead (Vice Chairman)  
Councillor D Chapman  
Councillor D Stratton  
Councillor J Brudenell

Councillor R Ormston (District Council)

2 Members of the Public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

**1.3.22 To receive and note apologies for absence**

Councillor Tom Jones (County Council)

**2.3.22 To receive 'Declarations of Interest' in items on the agenda**

There were no Declarations of Interest, however the Chairman advised members that when considering items under the Village Plan that there may be items to declare at that juncture.

**3.3.22 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

The Clerk informed members that there was one minor change as Cllr Brudenell's name had been spelt incorrectly.

It was agreed subject to the amendment the Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 be approved.

**Matters Arising**

**4.3.22**

The waste bin had now been installed, but the invoice was outstanding.

Cllr Shepherd reported that he was still required to follow up the Planning Department with regards to issues at Northfield Farm.

**5.3.22**

**Correspondence**

Cllr Shepherd had received correspondence from Cllr Tom Jones with regards to areas at the edge of the Village being overgrown. Enquiries had been made about ownership and it was not the responsibility of the County Council.

It was agreed that the Parish Council ask their contractors to undertake the identified works.

### **6.3.22 Village Plan- Maintenance**

Bus Shelter – It was reported that the work was now complete.

Benches – The meeting was informed that the bench at the Old School Room was now complete and that the bench at Manor Green had been stabilised following repair.

Grass Cutting – A meeting had taken place between Councillors and the contractor in which Councillors expressed their concerns. Following the meeting it was agreed to change the mower and it was reported that work had improved.

Broadband – A further discussion took place with regards to improving broadband speeds across the Village. It was reported that research had been undertaken with reference to monies awarded to Arkengarthdale. This was from qualification criteria which Patrick Brompton did not meet.

Village Green – Cllr Chapman declared a Personal Interest.  
Cllr Chapman was concerned about the increasing amount of dog fouling which was taking place on the Village Green.

It was flagged that this was happening right across the Village. Cllr Ormston reported that if the perpetrators were observed then the District Council would take enforcement action.

It was agreed that a notice should go on the website and in the next newsletter to flag the matter.

### **7.3.22 Village Survey**

Cllr Shepherd gave an overview of the previous Village Survey and how the process was managed. It was explained that a number of the priorities in the survey had now been fulfilled and the priorities should be updated to reflect that.

It was agreed that a Working Group of 3 Members be established to pull together a new Questionnaire for distribution in 2023.

Cllr Stratton said he also felt it was important to inform Parishioners on the progress which had been made since the first survey.

It was agreed that Cllrs Shepherd, Whitehead and Brudenell serve on the Working Group and report back to the January Meeting of the Parish Council.

### **8.3.22 Village Emergency Plan**

Cllr Stratton spoke about the need for the Council to have an updated Emergency and Resilience Plan.

Cllr Stratton stated that we needed to determine what resources we had across the Village and assess their vulnerability and risks – Cllr Stratton identified the Beck as one example.

It was explained that as part of preparing the plan it was important to manage expectations about what the Parish Council would be able to undertake in these circumstances.

Cllr Shepherd stated that former Cllr Bull had produced a plan when on the Parish Council and this could be used as the building block for the proposed plan.

Cllrs Stratton and Chapman agreed to take the initiative forward and report back to the November meeting of the Parish Council.

### **9.3.22 Speeding- VAS purchase**

Cllr Shepherd outlined the background to the proposed purchase of the Vehicle Activated Sign. Cllr Shepherd explained in detail a breakdown of the financial summary in purchasing the VAS: -

Locality Budget - £1,000  
Area Partnership Application £1,000  
Parish Council - £1,200

Cllr Shepherd commented that whilst there was a commitment to the Locality funding, the funding from the Area Partnership was subject to the forthcoming meeting.

A discussion took place with regards to the merits of the scheme and the financial viability.

Following advice from the Clerk it was agreed that the scheme would be financially viable if the Parish Council secured all grant funding.

It was agreed to proceed with purchase of the VAS subject to a successful outcome of the Area Partnership meeting. It was also agreed that as the cash profiling of the Council may require attention and the Council would look at this at its January meeting.

A discussion took place with regards to the possible siting of the VAS based on the advice given by the County Council.

It was agreed that the Council would engage Swarco for the purchase of the VAS Board and have further discussions as part of that process about the siting of the VAS Board.

### **10.3.22 Noise Pollution**

Cllr Chapman was concerned about a persistent amount of noise pollution from light air training flights which he presumed was emulating from RAF Leeming.

Cllr Ormston explained that if you were able to get the jet plate number then you could report the matter to RAF Leeming.

Cllr Chapman stated he would continue to monitor the situation.

### **11.3.22 Finance & Payments**

The Clerk reported that Income received from the start of the Financial Year at £4,128.00.

There had been 19 transactions to 9 September 2022 totalling £1,643.47.

The HSBC Account stood at £5,365.67.  
The Skipton Building Society Account stood at £3,144.53

The Total Resources of the Parish Council to 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 were: - £8,510.20.

The Cash Book for the period 1 April to 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 was appended to the Minutes.

### **12.3.22 Clerk Recruitment**

The Clerk gave an update with regards to the current situation.

The Clerk outlined that there was still a desire on the part of St Martins Parish to employ a Joint Clerk. The Clerk recommended a further advertisement with a view to recruitment in advance of the January meeting.

The Clerk explained that following a discussion with the Chairman he would not be able to continue beyond January 2023.

Cllr Brudenell said she could enquire with regards to advertising the position internally at the County Council.

It was agreed to restart the recruitment process with St Martins.

### **13.3.22 Planning & Planning Updates**

Oak View

Cllr Chapman was concerned about the ongoing work at the development site and that the site was becoming an eyesore.

Cllr Shepherd agreed to follow this matter up with the site owners and the Planning Department.

Green Tree Public House

Some Councillors expressed concern about the lack of work being undertaken at the Green Tree and concern about proposed work to the Grade II Listed chimney on the gable end of the building.

It was agreed that Cllr Shepherd would contact the Planning Department.

### **14.3.22 Reports of previous month's meetings etc. - to hear from Parish/District/County Councillors on any meetings attended or other information of interest to the Parish Council**

Cllr Ormston reported that most meetings at the District Council had been deferred as a result of the death of Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II'S death.

It was reported that the next meeting of the Area Partnership would be on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Cllr Stratton informed the meeting that there were some maintenance issues at the Joint Newton-Le-Willows and Patrick Brompton Village Hall.

It was also reported that although the bar remained the main source of income the committee were looking at how to expand their income generation through better uptake of bookings for the main hall.

The Community Events Committee reported that after a 2-year break the Village Show and

BBQ had been a success.

Planning for events between Oct-Christmas were being considered and would be discussed at the next meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Cllr Shepherd informed the meeting that at the last meeting of the Atkinson Clarke Trust 8 grant awards were awarded.

It was reported that the Old School Room was still without a caretaker and that bookings for the hall had dropped and were averaging 5 lettings per month.

**15.3.22 Defibrillator Rota**

October – Cllr Stratton  
November – Cllr Shepherd  
December – Cllr Brudenell  
November – Cllr Chapman

**16.3.22 Urgent Matters**

Overhanging Trees – concern was raised about several overhanging trees in the Village were making some pathways impassable. It was agreed that Cllr Shepherd would approach the landowner.

Parish Sheep – It was reported that the sheep in the Village had been getting out and causing a disturbance on the road. It was agreed that Cllr Shepherd would speak to the owner.

**17.3.22 Date & Time of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 19.30pm at The Old School Room.

**The meeting Closed at 21:20**

