PATRICK BROMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 8th MARCH 2022

Present

Cllr G Shepherd (Chairman)
Cllr D Chapman
Cllr R Darbishire
Cllr D Stratton

J MacNamara (Clerk)
4 Members of the Public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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

There were apologies received from:-

Cllr Brian Whitehead
Cllr Karin Sedgewick

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

The Chairman advised that as we discussed items under agenda item number 4 Councillors should be mindful if they had any declarable interests.

3.10.21 To approve the **minutes** of the meeting held on:

Tuesday 11th January 2022

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th January were approved.

4.10.21 **Matters Arising**

Cllr Shepherd reported on several matters raised at the previous meeting: -

Waster Bins – it was reported that the Area Partnership would not fund new waste bins. Whilst it had been hoped that progress would have been made to obtain sizes and associated signage of the bins, the relevant person at this stage had not responded.

Village Green Parking – a note had been sent to Rev Lawton with regards to this matter, but no response had been received.

Oak View – a note had been sent to the agent with regards to impending development of the site with regards to access and potential damage to the Village Green.

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Northfield Farm – there was still no update from the planning department at this stage. Several residents were still concerned about activities at the farm.

5.10.21 Village Plan Maintenance

Village Green – the holes in the Village Green were due to be filled in the next fortnight.

Bus Shelter – the painting of the Bus Shelter would be rolled into the new Municipal Year when there was better weather.

Tree Survey – It was agreed to contact the contractor and proceed with work to the trees highlighted in the condition survey.

Noticeboards – It was reported that they had all be cleaned before the meeting.

6.10.21 Elections 2022

The Clerk outlined that the elections would be held on 5th May 2022 and that the election would be formally called on 26th March 2022 and we would enter the purdah period.

The Clerk explained that throughout that process day to day business could continue, but no new work could be undertaken.

Councillors were advised that if they wished to contest the election then nomination papers would be made available to them by the Clerk, but they would be responsible for delivery to the Returning Officer.

As the elections were being held one-year early due to re-organisation the meeting was informed that all costs to Parishes were being waved and the term of office would be for 5-years.

There was a general discussion on the transition towards the new Unitary Authority and the forthcoming elections.

7.10.21 Assistance for Ukraine

Cllr Shepherd reported that working in partnership with St Patrick's and the Community Events Committee they had made an appeal for goods to assist families in Ukraine.

The newsletter had also detailed information of how people could also make financial donations.

Donations could be left at the back of the Church and donations would be received up until 15th March 2022.

8.10.21 Finance
Receipts & Payments

The Clerk outlined that that since the last meeting there had been 8 cheques.

The starting balances on the accounts for 2020/21 was £7,190.96

The total resources of the Parish Council stood at £6,024.19.

The Financial Report for the period is appended to the Minutes of the Meeting.

The Report was agreed by Councillors.

Grass Cutting Contract

The Clerk gave an overview to the grass cutting contract for the 2-year period 2022-2024.

The Clerk reported that there was only one application for the contract and that was the current contractor.

There was a discussion with regards to awarding the contract back to the existing contractor. The Clerk advised that there may be another alternative and as part of that discussion it was agreed that delegated powers be given to the Chairman and Clerk to explore other alternatives.

It was agreed to report back at the May Meeting.

Lower Wensleydale Partnership – Funding Update

Funding had been received of £1,750.00 towards the War Memorial in addition to £100.00 each from a private individual and Newton-Le-Willows Parish Council.

The work to the War Memorial had gone to plan and the Council recorded their thanks to Pickards.

Works at the Bridge had been ongoing and 3 planters had been placed on the gravel to encourage people not to access the site.

A discussion took place with regards to the merits of finishing the work with chain and signage. Cllr Shepherd agreed to investigate buying chain for the site.

9.10.21 **Defibrillator Rota** –

April – Cllr Chapman
May – Cllr Stratton

10.10.21 **Reports from other bodies including the District Council and the County Council**

Cllr Ormston reported that there were grants available from the District Council to support Jubilee events.

A discussion was held with regards to the merits of planting a tree to celebrate the Jubilee.

Cllr Stratton informed the meeting that the Village Hall at Newton-Le-Willows was now back running at full capacity. It was reported that there were ongoing problems with the heating system at the hall and they were in the process of obtaining quotes.

Cllr Shepherd reported that the Atkinson Clarke Trust had met and made several education

grants to children in Patrick Brompton and Newton-Le-Willows.

It was also reported that a building maintenance review of the Old Schoolroom had been undertaken and a new heater had been installed.

Councillors Shepherd and Chapman had been unable to attend the last Branch meeting of the YLCA.

A report was received from the Community Events Committee: -

Newsletter – currently being distributed.
70's Night – 31 people were in attendance.
March Coffee Morning – very well attended.

Future events included: -

Afternoon Tea – 10th April in memory of Rosa
AGM – 28th March , 2pm at the Old Schoolroom.
Jubilee Planning was ongoing.

11.10.21 Correspondence

The Clerk reported that there was no correspondence to formally read to the meeting.

12.10.21 Urgent Matters

Cllr Chapman raised the matter of overhanging branches at the Churchyard as it was reported there had been a very near miss accident the previous week.

Cllr Shepherd agreed to contact the Churchyard representatives with regards to the matter.

13.10.21 Date and time of the Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Parish Council would take place on the 24th May 2022 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 20.40pm