

**BRAYBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL**

**A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
WAS HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAYBROOKE  
COMMENCING AT 7.30PM**

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| <b>Present</b> | <b>Councillors</b> | Mrs D Berry - Chairman<br>Mrs K Stanley – Vice Chairman<br>Mrs J Barwick<br>Mrs A Ayton<br>Mrs M Jessop<br>Mr G Normand |
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1 **Apologies for absence:** none

2 Chairman welcomed all present and explained that the planning meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November was to ensure no extension was required to the response time. The planning application was received too late for the scheduled planning meeting. In future, planning meetings will be held on an ‘as necessary’ basis and extensions will only be requested in exceptional circumstances.

3 **Declarations of Interest:** none

4 **Approval of minutes of meetings:**

The Minutes of the meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> September and planning meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> November were agreed by all councillors.

5 **Matters Arising for items not on the agenda:**

Broadband update: Cllr Stanley had been informed that Braybrooke has been given a high priority status by the team making the final roll-out decision at the end of November.

School site: Cllr Berry reported that 4 of the proposed houses are listed as shared-ownership. This was not in the original conditions and the Parish Council only became aware of this in the sales advertisement.

6 **Public Participation:**

Mr Daniel Howes apologized for his absence at the planning meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> November when the three Eckland Lodge applications were discussed. He explained that the bottom area of the solar field site was to be made into a wildlife friendly pond, accessed by a path, and the proposed tree planting would be doubled. He confirmed that Eckland Lodge is paying for their broadband connection from Desborough so that from 2015, the businesses on site could benefit from it. This raised the question of using S106 monies from the school site to provide a fibre optic box for Braybrooke.

A villager questioned the arrangements for future planning meetings and a better way than the notice board of informing interested parties of the dates. Cllr Stanley agreed to email those on the village circulation list of a forthcoming meeting, together with the agenda.

7 **Planning:**

Stoke Albany site: Cllr Stanley reported on the current situation. The Parish Council had written in support of the application of Mr and Mrs Fred Smith to create a small traveller site.

Springfields: It was reported that the planning conditions set for the site are not being complied with.

Golden Stables: An application for 7 pitches and associated facilities on a site opposite to Greenfields is extant. Cllr Stanley had made representations to Daventry District Council that the Parish Council be consulted. Consequently, there will be a planning meeting for Braybrooke to discuss this application on 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

Greenfields: Cllr Stanley to investigate the deviation of the footpath across the site.

Travellers at A6 roundabout: Questions were raised about ownership of the land.

9 Newland Street: Cllr Stanley is to establish from KBC whether permission has been requested for change of use from paddock to garden.

8 **Financial Report:**

The VAT refund of £13.73 from 2013/14 had been received.

The Parish Council budget will need to include an amount for website subscription.

National funds may be available to assist with the production of the Neighbourhood Plan. Mrs Leigh Parkin of Eckland Lodge will ask Desborough Town Council to let us know what funds are available.

9 **Highways issues:**

A vehicle activated speed sign and 20mph limit are to be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting. Cllr Normand will contact Leics County Council regarding the weight limit on Jordan Bridge and concern was expressed at the volume of traffic through the village.

It has been noted that the Hamilton school bus appears to be driving at speed through the village. Cllr Stanley is to establish whether or not it picks up in Braybrooke.

The possibility of village 'gates' was discussed, and Cllr Stanley will contact the highways department to establish whether the village could take on this project itself.

Water under the railway bridge is still causing concern; the Environment Agency are contacting the owner of the adjacent land.

The drains on Griffin Road hill have been jetted.

Complaints have been received about shrubs obstructing part of the grass path from Green Lane. Cllr Ayton will ask Mr John Clarke for assistance.

The damage to the bank in Green Lane caused by vehicles appears to have self-repaired.

An additional notice board was discussed but it was decided that the Parish Council would rely on the new website.

10 **Website:**

Cllr Normand reported that the new website was ready to go live. It currently contains details of councillors and recent minutes, agendas and planning applications. Information about which councillor to approach on different subjects, and a logo will be added in due course. A photograph taken by Mrs Gill Mitchell will also be added. By paying a small annual subscription, adverts would be removed from the site. Cllr Normand was thanked for the hard work and time spent on researching and producing a website for the Parish Council.

11 **Clustering:**

Cllr Stanley is to contact Arthingworth and Harrington Parish Councils for co-operation on important matters.

12 **Correspondence:**

- a. NCALC training course on rights of way
- b. Defibrillator: it was decided that the Parish Council would not provide a defibrillator
- c. Information on new licensing rules for installation of Christmas lights on street lamps
- d. The Parish Council has responded to the KBC request for feedback on communication
- e. David Pope is the Parish Liaison Officer at KBC and is our first point of contact

13 **AOB and items for future agendas:**

- a. Planning meeting on Golden Stables: 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30 at Village Hall
- b. Proposed starting time of 7pm for Parish Council meetings in 2015
- c. Dates of next year's meetings

14 **Date of next meetings:**

Planning meeting - 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30

Main meeting – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015, probably at 7pm

The meeting closed at 9pm

Signed:

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