

BRAYBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL

**A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON 20th JANUARY 2015 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAYBROOKE
COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

Present	Councillors	Mrs D Berry - Chairman Mrs J Barwick Mrs M Jessop Mr G Normand Mr A Matthews
	County Councillor	
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- 1 **Apologies for absence:** Cllr David Howes. Cllr Stanley who was speaking at KBC Planning meeting on behalf of Fred and Tina Smith. They have requested that she speak for them, in support of their application for 5 pitches at Woodside, Stoke Albany. If it is agreed it will fulfil the G& T allocation for Kettering through to 2020 even before any decision is made on Highfield Farm and the Orton Road sites. David Howes was also speaking in support.
- 2 **Chairman welcomed** all present and reminded everyone that meetings are now scheduled to start at 7pm. Thanks were expressed to Mrs G Mitchell for enabling this to happen.
- 3 **Declarations of Interest:** none
- 4 **Approval of minutes of meetings:**
The Minutes of the meeting of 18th November 2014 and 2nd December 2014 were agreed by all councillors.
- 5 **Matters Arising for items not on the agenda:**
School site: The Northants Estates Surveyor was currently awaiting responses from bidders regarding conditionality issues relating to the offers received, so was not in a position to select a successful developer at the moment.
Broadband update: Work will begin on Braybrooke's delivery of superfast broadband in the 2016 rollout - a year before Desborough is scheduled. Whether it is actually in by then remains to be seen but Sarah Naylor at NCC still maintains that we have a priority status.
- 6 **Public Participation:**
A villager asked why the promised agenda and minutes had not been circulated. Cllr Normand confirmed that they were on the website, and Cllr Stanley was to be reminded to circulate them. Information was requested regarding the brick pillars on the Arthingworth road. Cllr Matthews reported that work on the 95 acre solar panel site on Pipewell Road, Desborough had started. A scoping survey is to be undertaken for another solar panel park on Desborough Airfield, likely to be twice that size.
- 7 **Planning:**
Golden Stables DA/2014/0984: Daventry District Council planning officers have recommended the Golden Stables application by Mr McCann for 7 new pitches be approved both for residential and commercial use. Villagers were asked to attend the planning meeting at Daventry on 28th January at 6.15pm where speakers against the proposal will be David Howes who is speaking on behalf of Braybrooke Parish and Welland Ward, Charles Blake who is speaking for Arthingworth Parish and Karen Stanley speaking for NN RAID.
- 8 **Financial Matters:** A villager questioned the level of the precept to be raised - £4000. Cllr Berry explained that the precept had to begin to build up a reserve that had been allowed to diminish. Last year's auditor recommended that the reserve should be enough to run the Parish Council for a year. This

year's precept will start to achieve this. The budget was discussed and adopted (proposed: Cllr Jessop, seconded Cllr Barwick).

The precept of £4000 was agreed (proposed Cllr Normand, seconded Cllr Jessop).

8 **Highways:**

The meeting to discuss traffic calming measures arranged by Cllr Stanley with the Highways Dept had been postponed to 30th January.

A villager walking his dog on the footpath near the corner of the churchyard suffered a near miss when a speeding car had to take avoiding action and nearly mounted the pavement by him. Cllr Stanley had passed this information to the Highways Dept.

Cllr Stanley will follow up with Northants Police the use of a CCTV/ANPR camera in the village. Cllr Matthews reported that he was negotiating the purchase and licensing of speed cameras for use in local villages. These cameras flash at oncoming vehicles and record the speed.

The street light on Harborough Road has been repaired.

Leaves on pavements and in gutters are due to be cleared w/c 19.2.15.

9 **Administration:**

Cllr Normand was thanked for the vast amount of work he has done enabling the Parish Council to become compliant, by compiling Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Code of Conduct, Complaints Procedure and a Clerk's Job Description. All these were adopted unanimously and can be found on the Parish Council website.

10 **Defibrillators:**

A discussion on the pros and cons of a defibrillator being located in the village was postponed, awaiting a medical opinion.

11 **Correspondence:**

- a. Cllrs had all received a booklet on the Kettering East Development.
- b. Cllr Normand is to attend an IT course on 18.2.15 'Digital by Default'.
- c. Confirmation that the Village Hall is to be used as a polling station in the forthcoming election.

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

- a. Cllr Berry will invite speakers to the Parish Meeting to be held on 17.3.15. If unable to attend, reports will be required so information on all clubs and societies in the village can be disseminated.
- b. Cllr Matthews invited councilors to attend the Desborough Civic Service and reception on 8.2.15 at St Giles Church.

13 **Date of next meetings:**

Planning meeting if needed: 17.2.15 at 7pm.

Annual Parish Meeting: 17 March 2015 at 7pm followed by a full Parish Council Meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

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