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Minutes of the of Brent Knoll Parish Council meeting that was held at the Parish Hall on **1st December 2014** commencing at 7.30pm when the following business was transacted'

Present: Councillors Cllr R Ibrahim, B Freestone, Cllr R Filmer, Cllr P Osborn, Cllr D Knott, Cllr M Borland, Cllr A Hurkett, Cllr Ward, Cllr Townsend. Cllr Harper ad Cllr Trivett Bill + Clerk and 6 members of the public

"Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities (race gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime disorder and Human Rights

309/14: TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies at this meeting

310/14: TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests Declared as follows

Cllr Osborn, Payments

Cllr Harper Payments

Cllr Townsend Payments

Cllr Filmer Payments to hall as a trustee

Cllr Ward Payments to hall as a trustee

Cllr Hurkett (affordable housing on site location if appropriate)

Pre determination

Cllr Filmer on all planning considerations

Prejudicial

Cllr Harper (matters relating to East Ride agenda item 9 (g)

Cllr Trivett- Bill (matters relating to East Ride agenda item 9 (g)

Personal Interest

Signature of Chairman

Cllr Ward planning application 07/14/00023

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

311/14: The minutes from **November 4th and 17th** were unanimously approved by the meeting

ONGOING ISSUES

Footpaths/ Highway

312/14: Wick Lane footpath 8.10 needs clearing Cllr Knott to obtain a couple of quotes for the work

313/14: Reservoir surroundings need further clearance work and this will be reported to Bristol Water

314/14: An additional gate has been installed.

315/14: Two wooden posts supporting the barbed wire fence on the footpath to the Knoll behind the church require remedial work and Cllr Harper and Cllr Townsend to investigate.

316/14: A large pothole has appeared again outside Lion Cottage I Brent Street which will be reported to SCC

Village Green

317/14: Wet and slippery surfaces together with very wet grass reported from the recent green inspection.

318/14: All of the surrounding hedges and boundaries to the village green need cutting back and tidying this will be dealt with by Jason Mayo who will be asked to quote for this work.

Speeding

319/14: No matters raised at this meeting

Toilet Block

320/14: Toilet hand dryers do not appear to be functioning correctly which may be due to timer settings members of the Parish Council will check it out before a contractor is appointed.

321/14: The recently reported blockage in the gents toilet block now cleared.

Flood Action updating

322/14: Kit now stored securely in the rear store with new locks etc

323/14: A report from the drainage board and updates on the proposed scheme of works will be requested by the Clerk

Neighbourhood Planning Burnham on Sea

324/14: The matter of new and updated information was raised at the Coastal Cluster meeting. It was requested that more information be provided at all meetings in future.

Communication/ Websites

325/14: Sponsorship approaches will continue to be made early in the New Year.

CORRESPONDENCE (Circulated Pre meeting)

326/14: No new correspondence items were discussed at this meeting

FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONTROLS

327/14: Statutory Payments as agreed in April meeting for the forthcoming financial year

Salary

Tax Payments

Contract for Maintenance

GB Sports play inspection

Total of Statutory Payments

£ 883.00

328/14: It was resolved to make the Statutory Payments for December 2014

329/14: Variable Payments

Cllr Townsend, Cllr Filmer, Cllr Harper and Cllr Ward left the meeting having previously declared a pecuniary interest. Cllr Osborn had previously left the meeting

330/14:

Parish Hall room hire payment to December 2014

£ 131.25

Cllr Osborn payment for new Posts in the village

£ 45.70

Cllr Harper payment for locks and bolts rear store

£ 85.47

Cllr Townsend Chairman's Annual allowance

£ 50.00

Signature of Chairman

331/14: It was agreed to make all of the above payments

Cllr Townsend, Cllr Filmer, Cllr Harper and Cllr Ward returned to the meeting having previously declared a pecuniary interest

George Plumbing services payment **£ 30.00**

332/14: It was agreed unanimously to make the above payment

333/14: It was agreed to make a final decision on precept at the January 2015 meeting once members has examined the budget proposal circulated by the clerk prior to the meeting

334/14: Grant applications received from the following

Sedgemoor CAB: It was resolved to make a grant of £ 100.00 to this local organisation.

Brent Knoll Primary School : It was resolved to make a grant in the sum of £250.00 towards the purchase of a Lap Top computer

St Michaels PCC: A request has been received to support remedial work to the roof of the church together with additional handrails for the stairway to the ringing chamber and clock face repairs. The Parish Council decided in principle that they would make a small grant for the roof repairs but not the other two matters. It was resolved however to requests more information on the progress of the fundraising and the total costs involved in the roof project prior to deciding to make a final grant offer.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

335/14: 07/14/00022: (Tree Preservation Order) regulations 1969 At Greystones Burton Row Brent Knoll TA9 4PB. The Parish Council supported this proposal on the grounds of good arboreal practice

336/14: 31/14/00024: Certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of land to site one static caravan on land at OS Field no 7229 Brean Road Lymphsham The Parish Council made no observations to this proposal.

337/14: 07/14/00016: Erection of replacement dwelling and demolition of existing dwelling at Pink Cottage Burton Row Brent Knoll TA9 4BX. The Parish Council supported the proposal on the grounds the revised application now on existing footprint together with the garage also on existing and supporting the improvement to the landscape.

338/14: 07/14/00023: Erection of single storey dwelling and replacement garage, alterations to access, demolition of existing garage. At the Orchard

Burton Row, Brent Knoll TA9 4BX. The Parish Council objected to his proposal on the grounds of loss of light to neighbouring properties and causing over shadowing also loss of privacy to adjoining property. There also potential landscaping flooding issues and traffic safety issues with the entrance to the property.

MATTERS OF CONSIDERATION

339/14: Affordable Housing:

The Parish Council were updated earlier in the day from the affordable housing team at Sedgemoor. A number of issues were raised in connection with types of property and site locations all of which require further discussion. It was therefore resolved to defer matters until the January meeting.

340/14: CPR Training :

Following on from previous discussions it has been decided to accept the offer made by St John's Ambulance service to run CPR Training sessions in March for 24 people and to publicise this activity within the village. It has been resolved to write to the Nuttall Trust to outline our proposals and to request that we use their recent grant to support this training function.

341/14: Speed Indicator installation protocols

The matter has been taken up with Cllr H Siggs and will hopefully be resolved early in the New Year

342/14: Jungle West Road

The bridal path at this location has a history of requiring attention which is shared between 3 Parish Councils. Brent Knoll has resolved to get some quotations work early in 2015. Cllr D Knott will make some enquires on the matter for quotes to be sought

343/14: The Beat Surgery Future

There is conflicting information regarding the plans for 2015 to reduce Beat Surgeries in the area. The clerk will try to ascertain more information at the December surgery on the 3rd December.

344/14: Coastal Cluster meeting in November

Matters appertaining to Bus routes, Mobile Libraries and Broadband were discussed the former subjects below.

345/14: Bus Route 102

Signature of Chairman

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An online survey is available and letters direct to SCC Will support these surveys for the retention of this valued service from the village. A question was asked regarding the size of the double decker buses and why the service could not use a smaller unit to reduce costs. A letter will be sent by the Clerk

346/14; Mobile Libraries

As above an online survey is available for all to complete and there is strong support for the retention of this valuable service in rural communities. As above a letter will be sent by the clerk.

Cllr Harper and Cllr Trivett Bill left the meeting during this discussion having declared a prejudicial interest.

347/14: Sedgemoor response on matters raised at East Ride

The Parish Council are in receipt of a letter from a resident dated 6th November in East Ride and the response to that letter from Sedgemoor dated 12th November. This matter is outside the remit of the Parish Council and it therefore offers no observations on the matter it was resolved however to respond by letter to both Sedgemoor and The residents outlining the Parish Councils limit of remit.

348 /14: MATTERS OF REPORT (and next meeting agenda items)

To form the basis of the January main meeting.

Cycle Path, Precept, Affordable housing

The Meeting ended at 9.50

The Next full meeting of the Parish Council is on **Monday January 5th**