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**Minutes of the of Brent Knoll Parish Council meeting** that was held at the Parish Hall on **5<sup>th</sup> October 2016** commencing at 7.30pm when the following business was transacted'

**Present:** Councillors Cllr A Hurkett, Cllr C Townsend, Cllr P Osborn, Cllr I Ward, Cllr C Trivett Bill, Cllr R Filmer, Cllr R Hall, Cllr M Borland, Cllr B Freestone, Robin Leveridge ( stand in Clerk) and 12 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*

**188/16: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr J Harper and Cllr D Knott and gave apologies for absence which were accepted unanimously

**189/16: TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PREJUDICIAL AND PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Cllr R Filmer declared interest on the grounds of pre determination on all planning matters, also prejudicial interest on planning application No 07/16 00021 and Cllr A Hurkett Pecuniary interest on application no 07/16/00020

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**190/16:** The minutes from the meeting on the **7<sup>th</sup> September 2016** were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

**FOX AND GOOSE JUNCTION CONSULATIVE PROCESS**

**191/16** During the afternoon 7 Councillors met with Colne Developments and property link to hear a detailed presentation on proposals to improve the Junction on the A38. This improvement to be funded by the developer in return for the open market building of between 14 and 20 homes. A Village consultation will be undertaken with invitations sent to all village households. Concerns were raised that in the communications to date an inaccurate data base has been used thereby missing large numbers of potential consul tees. It was resolved not to offer a view of the Parish Council as 3 members were not fully updated with the

proposals and it was therefore also resolved to set this matter to a further meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm.

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**192/16: AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONSULTATION**

It was resolved to support the continuation of consultation and discussion on the affordable housing process. Sedgemoor District Council will be updating the needs survey in due course and the Parish Council will continue with the process.

**PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS**

**193/16:** Cllr R Filmer and Cllr A Hurkett left the meeting having previously declared an interest on 189/16 .

**194/16:** Applications responded to

**07/16 00020: Erection of Porch (amended plan) at 4, Brent Street Brent Knoll TA9 4DU.**

Response to support on the grounds of visual improvement

Cllr A Hurkett returned to the meeting

**07/16/00022: 30% Crown reduction to Willow at Willow Tree Apple cross Station Road Brent Knoll TA9 4BH**

Response to Support on the grounds of good arboreal practice provided it complies with District Council arboreal policy

**07/16/00021: Erection of garage on site of existing garage/ Store and Shed (to be demolished at 39, Brent Street Brent Knoll TA9 4DT**

Response Support on the grounds of appropriate development.

**195/16:** Cllr R Filmer returned to the meeting.

**MONTHLY REPORTING**

**To consider matters relating to highways and footpaths**

**196/16**

**Concerns Raised**

Crumbling road edge on Ham Road just beyond Chill Park on the left hand side heading to BOS. As reported in September

**Action:** Clerk to contact Highways

Lead up to Railway Bridge from Burnham split in the middle of the road as reported in September

Water Leak reported in Harp Road near Village sign

Concern raised about the road closure in Burton Row and Lack of activity at key times.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Highways and get clarification

Signature of Chairman

**Village Green and Toilet Block and Car Park areas**

**197/16:** Reported from this month's inspection

- (a) the grass was very long when inspected thou' is ok at present
- (b) There are some brambles need trimming near the rear of the green
- (c) Benches need further coats of preservative before next season
- (d) Fencing now removed between car park and Toilet block
- (e) Rear of toilet block needs a complete tidy up now that the fencing has been removed
- (f) Toilet Block Floor needs a repaint
- (g) Leaky tap in gents to be repaired

From November the book for green inspections to be re instated

**Flood Mitigation Group**

**198/16:** No new matters to report this month

**Parish Surgery**

**199/16:** Village agent and one resident attended who expressed concerns regarding lighting in the horse exercise arena Crooked Lane ( Cllr Filmer to check with planning ) also recorded concerns regarding consultation on housing.

The Surgery was attended by a local PCSO and one member of the Public

**Clerks Matters**

**200/16:** Wreath to be ordered through Sally Wingate and Cllr Townsend will attend the laying of wreaths on 13<sup>th</sup> November

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**201/16** Salc Consultation document regarding government proposals to extend the capping of Parish Councils and Town Councils which currently exist with District, County and unitary authorities. There are no immediate plans to extend capping to smaller Parish and Town Councils however Salc is requesting Parish Councils respond by answering some questions so that a co-ordinated response can be made on behalf of smaller authorities Comments to be sent from Clerk to both Salc and Government

Cllr Filmer, Cllr Hall and Clerk will put together some answers on behalf of BKPC

**202/16 PAYMENTS AND FINANCE**

**Total of Statutory payments October 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**2016 as agreed**  
**April 6<sup>th</sup> 2016**

£ 3252.44

Other variable payments

**1368**

E'on Energy Account for the period to 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 26, 2016	£ 27.39
Water Account for the Period April to September 2016	£ 146.28
Grant Thornton Audit Fee	£ 200.00
Sutcliffe Play ( New Muga Installation )	£10,000.00
<b>Vat in addition</b>	<b>£2000.00)</b>
Clerks Office Expenditure for period July to September 2016	£ 163.91
GB Sports refurbishment of Swings / seats	£ 740.16

**Resolution to approve the above payments**

Sedgemoor 2 <sup>nd</sup> instalment precept	£15,145.00
To include Council Tax Support of Budget Report to October 2016	£ 309.00

**MATERS OF CONSIDERATION**

**203/16: Hills to Levels Project Crooked Lane**

At a previous meeting the Parish Council received a request to support with some limited funding a project being primarily financed with grants from Royal Bath and West of England Society. The sum initially granted to the project from BKPC was £927.00 towards a total cost of £19437.50. Since the September meeting two of the landowners have been unable to fulfil their total contribution of £927.00 which leads to a shortfall of £1033.50. In order to allow the progress of this worthwhile scheme the Parish Council has resolved to meet this additional funding in the sum up to £1033.50. It was also confirmed that the Parish Council will have no ongoing responsibility for this project

The project can then be undertaken

**204/16: Bus Provision in the Village**

Parish Council waiting for a response to a letter sent to Bakers Dolphin and Crosville in Weston before deciding the next move

**205/16: SID Vandalism**

A recent case of vandalism was reported to the Council who in turn have made the Police aware of it no further action has been reported. It is also noted that the Police comments box has now been re instated in the Parish Hall foyer. Cllr Townsend is looking after the unit and batteries for a short period. A bracket has also been ordered which Richard should now have.

**206/16: Jubilee Stone engraving project**

Project ongoing

**Action :** Cllr Harper to follow up

**207/16: Planning Training**

Two dates have been offered to us 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October the Clerk awaits confirmation of which dates are required to book places.

**208/16: Wessex Water Infrastructure**

Signature of Chairman

Members requested that now that the pumping station is proceeding that a visit by Parish Council would be helpful in understanding what is being developed Clerk to arrange with Andy Roberts.

**209/16: Re Pitching the Tent**

There is nothing relevant to the Parish Council coming from these discussions at present.

**210/16: RLT 3 Funding application Pawlett**

Pawlett Parish Council is making an application to install a MUGA 3 surface with flood lighting under the RLT3 funding process. The Parish Resolved unanimously to support this proposal

**211 /16: MATTERS OF REPORT (and next meeting agenda items)**

Signage appearing across the village

Hedge over grown opposite Crooked Lane now encroaching on the footway

General un ease at the consultative communication on Fox and Goose by developer

Tesco bags for help

Thanks offered to Robin for assisting with the meeting

**The Meeting ended at 9.30pm**

**The Next full meeting of the Parish Council is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7.30pm and a Provisional planning meeting 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm**