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Minutes of the of Brent Knoll Parish Council meeting that was held at the Parish Hall on **2nd March 2017** commencing at 7.30pm when the following business was transacted'

Present: Councillors Cllr C Townsend, Cllr P Osborn, Cllr C Trivett Bill, Cllr R Filmer, Cllr R Hall, Cllr M Borland, Cllr J Harper, Cllr I Ward, Cllr B Freestone Cllr A Hurkett and Cllr D Knott and Clerk Owen Cullwick there were 15 members of the public present at this meeting.

"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

313/16: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies at this meeting

314/16: TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PREJUDICIAL AND PECUNIARY INTEREST

Cllr R Filmer declared interest to avoid pre determination on planning applications **07/16/00028**, **07/17/00002**, and **07/17/00005** Cllr Filmer personal interest on Parish Hall payments as a trustee Cllr I Ward personal interest on Parish Hall Payments as a trustee .Cllr Hurkett pecuniary interest on planning application **07/17/00004** due to boundary of applicant and Cllr R Hall prejudicial interest on planning application **07/16/00028** due to close knowledge of applicant

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

315/16: The minutes from the meeting on the **2nd February 2017** were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

316/16: Cllr A Hurkett left the meeting having previously declared an interest on **314/16**

317/16: Applications responded to

07/17/0004: Application to build 14 open market houses on land adjacent to the A38 Opposite the Fox and Goose Public House on a P4 Site with a condition for an infrastructure improvement to the junction of Brent Street and Bristol Road

as per the requirements for a community benefit on developing this category of land. Adjoining A38 and Fox and Goose Junction.

Response: The Parish Council supports by a majority the application subject to the delivery of the agreed traffic light scheme at the A38 (Fox and Goose Junction) and to be delivered at an early stage but by no later than the completion of the 5th House on the housing development. As a further condition of our support we would ask that traffic entering the construction site will be from the A38 and egression to the A38.

Cllr R Hall left the meeting at this point having declared a prejudicial interest Cllr Filmer also left the room having declared a prejudicial interest. Cllr A Hurkett returned to the meeting at this point

07/16/00028: Erection of Car port and Shed (Amended application) at Pink Thyme Cottage Burton Row Brent Knoll TA9 4BX.

Response: Support by the Parish Council on the grounds of no impact on the character of the site and no overlooking the proposal is in keeping with the existing development.

Cllr R hall returned to the meeting

07/17/00002: Erection of a single storey extension to rear (NE) Elevation front (SW) Elevation and Side (SE Elevation) to include garage on site of existing (to be demolished) at 74, Brent Street Brent Knoll TA9 4DX

Response: No observations offered to this proposal

07/17/00005: Erection of a single storey extension and erection of single storey garage extensions and construction of new pitched roof over existing garage. Erection of Front Porch and construction of pitched roof over existing bay window widening of vehicular access. At 117, Brent Street Brent Knoll TA9 4EH

Response: Support on the grounds of improvement of the existing building and in keeping with the Street scene

Cllr R Filmer returned to the meeting at this point.

318/16 On Footpath matters

The requested gate for AX 8.1 is still awaiting delivery from Chris East of the County Council this is an Oxford Gate Also quote needed for a gate in Body's Lane.

Action: [Clerk to follow up with Chris East](#)

Quotations received for the following work

1. Gate Installation £175.00 resolution to approve
2. Re strain the wire fencing on the village green Boundary right hand side £48.00 resolution to approve
3. East Ride low fence adjacent to the ditch £195.00 approved.
4. Chain Link fencing behind the Parish Hall £1025.00 to be deferred until a Further quote und the terms of our financial regulations

Action: Clerk to contact Heritage Landscapes to give go ahead on approved items

319/16: On Highway Matters

(a) A request to re install white lines in the centre of the road on the S bend Near the bottom of Church Lane. Highways need reminding of the need for solid white lines on the approach to Ivy clad bend to reduce parking

Action: Clerk to contact Highways to request a look at the lineage in this area with regard to dotted and yellow lines

(b) Concerns about the on going state of the road at Wick Lane and an undertaking from the County highways that these roads will be re instated to their proper condition

Action: Clerk to contact highways

(c) After the recent claim that by the local highways engineer that all matters relating to Crooked lane and Station Road meet highway standards Cllr M Borland to visit the area to look at the various road Surfaces.

Action: Cllr Borland to inspect and update the Council in April

320/16 Village Green and Toilet Block and Car Park areas

(a) After the February inspections it was reported that the green and surroundings were in a far better condition than a year ago

(b) Swing frame badly needs painting and grass has sunk in front of the muga it was further reported that empty gas canisters have been found near the cycle racks and are described as the after math of legal highs

Action: PC Wills will be requested to have a look at the problem.

(c) No Councillor details on the green notice board

Action: Clerk to re instate them

(d) resolution to approve (red, Green Yellow) colour scheme and also to consider painting frogs on items of play equipment

321/16: Flood Mitigation Group

Concerns over the storage of the Trailer equipment which appears currently to be in the open at Ball Copse Hall.

Action : Cllr Knott to remove and re site under cover

322/16: Parish Surgery

No visitors other than the village agent at the earlier meeting Clerk suggested the Council might want to consider bi monthly surgery also making the surgery earlier in the afternoon say around 2pm. This to be considered further in April in time for the start of the new Council year.

323/16: Correspondence

- (a) Letter from the co-ordinator of the Community Food Fridge
The Parish Council decided to leave this matter to the Parish of the three Saints
- (b) Information regarding the closer working ties between Somerset Coast advice Partnership and West Somerset Advice (for information only)

324/16 PAYMENTS AND FINANCE**To Include**

<u>Total of Statutory payments March 2nd 2017</u>	
<u>2016 as agreed</u>	
<u>April 6th 2016</u>	£ 766.74
 <u>Other variable payments</u>	
SID Batteries for Indicator device	£ 32.99
Playing Fields Association Subscription 2017	£ 15.00
Moneysoft Payroll Subscription / Licence	£ 72.00
Parish Hall Room Hire fees	£ 136.50

Resolution to approve the above payments

325/16: Clerk reported our receipt of a £500.00 grant towards the painting of our Play equipment in spring a letter of thanks will be sent to the Nuttall Trust

326/16: monitoring audit group meeting took place earlier to over see the various cash book and banking documents in line with our financial regulations. The documents were approved as accurate and in line with previous structures a sign off sheet was completed by the members of this group. A budget summary was circulated prior to the meeting.

MATERS OF CONSIDERATION**327/16: (a) Crooked Lane any updates from Axe Brue on commencement of work**

This matter is still waiting for better weather conditions before commencement

328/16: (b) Bus Provision and new information for updating the Council

Alternatives in the provision of bus services in the Parish are being considered together with possible arrangements with East Brent. Mendip Community transport may be prepared to assist if Parishes are keen to progress.

329/16: (c) Commissioner's Community Action Fund

It was generally felt that the criteria would be hard to assist the Parish Council in making an application however we will keep the fund on the back burner for any future possibilities.

330/16: (f) Millennium Oak Plaque now in process

Clerk to follow up with Arien signs

331/16: (g) Updates on the overhanging tree Glebe field

Signature of Chairman

The Diocese has agreed to visit and make a report on the overhanging Coronation Oak on the Glebe Field

MATTERS OF REPORT

332/16 Tesco Bags for life

333/16 Meet the Councillors morning

334/16: Grant to our lady gardeners for replacement plants

335/16: Trains to Brent Knoll

Next Meeting: April and Parish Surgery at 4pm on the **5th April 2017** and Annual Parish Meeting **19th April** at 7.30pm.

Meeting Closed at 10pm