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Minutes of the of Brent Knoll Parish Council meeting that was held at the Parish Hall on **1st November 2017** commencing at 7.00pm when the following business was transacted'

Present: Councillors Cllr R Filmer, Cllr C Townsend Cllr R Hall, Cllr J Harper, Cllr I Ward, Cllr A Hurkett, Cllr B Freestone, Cllr P Osborn, Cllr D Knott and Clerk Owen Cullwick there was 3 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.

The Parish Council has agreed to film all public meetings in accordance with the legislation Draft Regulations laid before Parliament under section 43(3) and (4)(i) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

125/17: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was an apology from Cllr M Borland this was accepted unanimously by the meeting

126/17: TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PREJUDICIAL AND PECUNIARY INTEREST

Cllr R Filmer declared a personal interest on matters relating to Sedgemoor and County as the elected Councillor for the District and the County. Cllr Filmer declared an interest to avoid pre determination as a member of the District Planning Authority on all planning matters. Cllr Filmer prejudicial interest on application 07/17/00022 as notified neighbour. Cllr A Hurkett prejudicial interest on planning application 07/17/00020 as an adjoining land owner Cllr I Ward personal interest on both applications. Living in close proximity

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

127/17: The minutes from the meeting on the **October 6th** were accepted as a true record of the meeting proposed and seconded.

128/17: PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Cllr Filmer left the meeting having declared an interest on 126/17 and returned after the planning discussions had completed, Cllr Hurkett also left the meeting having declared a prejudicial interest on application no 07/17/00020.

07/17/00020: Change of Use of land to create a traveller's caravan site comprising of 3 no pitches – each Pitch 1no utility dayroom and associated development. At Oakdale Battleborough Lane Brent Knoll.

Response: Objection by the Parish Council on the grounds of layout and density together with traffic movements. Also visual impact not in keeping with the view of Brent Knoll and the visibility aspect to the environment.

Cllr Hurkett returned to the meeting at this point

07/17/00022: Erection of a Two Storey extension to NW Elevation at 4, Portland Place Brent Knoll TA9 4EL

Response: Objection by the Parish Council on the grounds of loss of privacy to neighbouring property and residential amenity and incorrect detailing of plans

To inform the planning authority of the Parish Council responses on 2nd November 2017

Cllr Filmer returned to the meeting at this point

129/17: On Footpath matters

(a) Premier Fencing are scheduled to complete the installation of a gate currently Stored by Cllr Osborn

(b) It was reported that the reservoir is running out on the footpaths surrounding it and a letter will be drafted to Bristol Water.

(c) The requested repairs to badly rutting footpath near Body's Lane has been repaired by the drainage board.

(d) The Gas box at the end of Brent Street has now been cleared

(e) Work on the hedging at Crooked Lane is scheduled to be completed

Action: Clerk to contact Bristol Water regarding reservoir

130/17: On Highway Matters

Potholes have still not been dealt with in Hill Lane

It was proposed that the Parish Council should consider the installation of Speedwatch Signs in 3 locations entering the village these would be at a cost of £ 40.00 per sign however it will require highways permission to install these signs

White lining on the bend near Ivyclad Hall has now been completed by the County.

Salt Boxes to be checked by Cllr Townsend

Action: Clerk to write to Highways seeking permission to install speedwatch signage
Cllr Townsend to check Salt Boxes

131/17: Village Green and Toilet Block and Car Park areas

Key Outstanding Issues identified in October 2017

Signature of Chairman

Car Park Area

(a) David Welland Scheduled to do the following works

Replace wooden Strip on the front of the Bench on green
 Remove 4 unused concrete Posts to the front of the Toilet Block
 Remove the Stile at the rear of the Village Green
 To replace two wooden Posts behind the Armco in the Car Park
 To replace the board to the back of the White signage

(b) Painting of Play equipment and fencing to the front of the green now completed

(c) All areas of overgrown weeds etc has now been sprayed

(d) The new fencing to the rear of the Toilet Block is now scheduled for replacement

(e) Pressure Washing of Play Surfaces now completed

(f) Blue Contact Sign has now been replaced by Arien Signs

(g) The Notice Board project will be further considered in December after budget setting

General State of the green

1. Grass has been growing at a very fast rate and the Council may wish to consider up grading the frequency of cutting in the next financial year.

Ground Surfaces

2. Two areas have been identified that require further filling one in front of the toilet block where the ground has continued to sink and the second behind the Notice Board near the bench.

Incident

On Friday 27th October a car was damaged by a flying stone caused by strimming in front of the green. It was re iterated by the clerk and supported unanimously by members that all contracts should be through the Clerk and by agreement with the Parish Council without exception and that any attempt to undertake jobs that present potential hazards and danger must be properly risk assessed. It was further agreed that a payment of £304.53 be made to the owner of a damaged car in the village

132/17: Flood Mitigation Group

No New Matters to Consider

133/17: Parish Surgery

5 visitors to this surgery on 1st November with topics raised as follows

East Ride Environmental ongoing issues
 Dog Bin Provision in Crooked Lane
 Travellers application Battleborough Lane
 White Lining Provision corner of Manor Ride
 General state of Hedges and Pathways

Signature of Chairman

134/17: Clerks Matters

The Clerk informed the meeting that a local Clerks get together has been arranged for the 2nd of November in Burnham on Sea.

135/17: Correspondence

(a) Letter of request for a 40mph to be imposed on the road from Edithmead to Brent Knoll as a result of the recent decline in the application to install lights at this junction this will be subject of further discussions in December.

(b) Letter of concern from a resident regarding a potential application to extend commercial premises. No considerations made by the Parish Council until a formal application has been made

136/17: PAYMENTS AND FINANCE**To Include**

Total of Statutory payments for October 4th 2017
As agreed in April 2017

£ 1414.00**Other variable payments**

Royal British Legion Wreath	£ 17.00
SALC Subscription 2017/18	£ 332.17
Wessex Water Account for October 2017	£ 118.48

Resolution for the above payments.**Other Finance Matters****Grant Requests**

Article in BKN for November asking for any grant requests

Precept Considerations for December meeting

Budget to be prepared prior to December meeting for consideration by the Parish Council

137/17: MATERS OF CONSIDERATION**Adoption of Telephone Box and proposed use**

The Parish Council has received 1 idea for the telephone Kiosk which involves its use as an Information centre of local services. The Parish Council has additionally invited the School via the Head Chris Burman to come forward with ideas from the school

To consider Matters relating to the Steering Group on Affordable Housing

A planned consultative session at the Jubilee Room in the Parish Hall will take place on 15th November between the hours of 3pm and 7pm

Expansion of Dog Bin Provision

The Parish Council resolved to purchase and maintain an additional Dog bin to be placed to the left of the Cider Farm Map Ref AX/8.1 in addition the Parish Council resolved to consider a second addition in the next financial year 2018/19

Signature of Chairman

SID Packaging / Damage

The SID Unit has now been repaired by Arien Signs and will be installed again ASAP it was resolved that it should not be placed in the same location due to fears of further accidental damage from high sided farm vehicles

Tasks undertaken by the Parish Council List

Cllr B Freestone is preparing a summary of tasks carried out by the Parish Council which will be further updated as an ongoing project.

Exercise Equipment for Adults

The response for interest and ideas has met with a lower than expected interest just 3 comments form a recent article however a further article will be placed in December edition.

Footpath in Middle Street

Cllr Townsend is currently working on plans to open up the Bridleway and the route to Berrow Brean for a cycle path. The Council resolved to approve this proposal going forward and discussions will continue and liaise with Berrow Parish Council

138/17 MATTERS OF REPORT (and items for December agenda)

No matters of report

Meeting Dates

The Next main meeting of the Parish Council is on **December 6th 7pm** and A surgery between **4.30pm and 6pm** in the Jubilee Room.

Meeting Concluded at 9.10pm