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Public Session

MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of **Brent Knoll Parish Council** on **Wednesday 23rd June 2021** at 7pm when the following business was transacted.

PRESENT

Chairman Cllr C Townsend, Cllr M Borland, Cllr R Filmer, Cllr B Freestone, Cllr J Harper, Cllr A Hurkett, Cllr N Summers and Cllr C Trivett –Bill Owen Cullwick Clerk and 4 members of the public

29/21: TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS GIVEN

Apologies received and accepted from District Councillor A Gilling, Cllr A Holmes Cllr W Camp and Cllr D Knott.

30/21: DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Cllr Filmer declared a personal interest on matters relating to Sedgemoor and County as the elected Councillor for the District and the County. Cllr R Filmer declared an interest to avoid pre- determination as a member of the District Planning Authority on planning matters.

31/21: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Resolution to approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of a Virtual APCM meeting of the Parish Council on the 5th May 2021

32/21: PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Cllr Filmer left the meeting having declared an interest on **30/21**

07/21/00004

113 Brent Street, Brent Knoll, Highbridge, Somerset, TA9 4EH Proposal: Erection of dwelling and attached garage to the rear, with the widening of entrance gates and pavement crossover. Also, the demolition of existing single garage and garage shed.

Response: No observations unanimous

07/21/00005:

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Response: No observations unanimous

12/21/00006:

West Country Motor Homes Bristol Road, Brent Knoll TA9 4HG Erection of two Workshops and formation of land for new storage and service area. *Technically comes Under Burnham without Parish Council*

Response: Support on the grounds of supporting local business and employment unanimous

07/21/00006

Journey's End Station Road, Brent Knoll TA9 4BH. Erection of detached two Storey Dwelling and formation of new access.

Response: Object on the grounds of over development encroachment to neighbouring property and privacy.

07/12/00007

Land to the west of Voila Station Road, Brent Knoll TA9 4BH Change of use and Conversion of building plot into 2 semi detached dwellings.

Response: Support on the grounds of providing additional accommodation and upgrading a property to provide additional home for young family

07/21/00008

Yarlington Barn Wick Road, BS24 OHA, To erect 4 accommodation Lodges and set out formal parking area at Yarlington Barn A revised application and

Response: Reserved support by the Parish Council subject to there being no further amendments once the application is published on the Portal also delegated powers to under the delegated powers given to the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk to be re-affirmed under matters of decision later in these minutes.

Cllr Filmer returned to the meeting.

33/21: TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

(b) Footpaths: Follow up Matters

- (a) Ongoing concerns regarding the hazardous walking on the footpath behind the cider farm where a new fence has been erected on the right of the footpath. Members of the Council Cllr Townsend and Cllr Freestone to survey.
- (b) Reservoir footpath in a very poor state (Clerk to contact Bristol Water)
- (c) State of paths near Windy Ridge (Arrange for Nicholls facilities to quote)
- (d) Knoll footpath broken fencing (Colin to speak with land owner)
- (e) Chicken Field and associated areas follow up with Jason our contractor

(c) Highways: Follow up Matters

Badly crumbling road surface in hill lane report to highways again

(d) The Village Green/ Car Park and Toilet Block

The Green: Cllr Harper raised concerns during his inspection report of the following

- (a) Continuing concerns over bamboo growth on the left hand side
- (b) Remains of strimming left un cleared around the perimeter
- (c) Over grown weeds etc between the property adjoining the green and Council land
- (d) Weeds and over growth between chain-link fencing and neighbouring property

These issues have been raised with the contractor who will do his best to deal with the above issues

The Toilet Block: All ok at present

(e) To receive a report from GB Sports on the monthly inspection

Pre Circulated

(f) The Chairman's Report

There were no matters raised by the Chairman

(g) The Clerks Report

No new matters raised by Clerk

(h) The Police Report/ Speed watch

Police report for April pre circulated to members there has been no Speed watch activity this month

(i) District and County Council report Cllr R Filmer

Key issues briefed to Council

Covid update.

Vaccination Progress.

Mulberry Centre now not doing the vaccination programme.

Over 50's now 50% 2nd Jab.

Stronger Somerset 25% turnout on poll non-binding decision by Communities secretary by 22nd July July.

Rights of way clearance up from 40% to 85%.

Some recent delays on recycling due to shortage of lorry drivers.

Boundary Commission looking at the current structuring of boundaries.

Bridgwater new multiplex underway on construction.

34/21: FINANCIAL MATTERS AND PAYMENTS

35/21: Statutory Payments resolved to approve for June/ July 2021

36/21: Monthly Payments List

The Chairman's allowance donated to the planting out of the two areas that are currently waiting for the local gardeners to complete £100.00 approved for this purpose.

37/21: ONGOING MATTERS (Reported updates only)

38/21: The Village Shop: Ongoing matter and a decision taken under matters of decision to approve the sending out of a questionnaire to all homes in the village prior to the Council's decision on investing

39/21: Highway Weight Restrictions within the village: Ongoing Issue

40/21: 20 mph Restrictions near the School: Ongoing Issue

41/21: To consider the contents of a letter from local resident regarding some concerns on drainage and signage: update from County now received and Council will add to the agenda for July 21st

42/21: Defibrillator for the Village: Waiting for the future of the village shop sale To be confirmed so that the Kiosk can be re located. However another option for sourcing the unit is currently being discussed

43/21: Correspondence

There are no new items of correspondence other than those that Councillors have responded to by email

44/21: NEW MATTERS OF CONSIDERATION (Decisions to be taken)

45/21: Health and Safety:

Atlas of Wellington have now produced a comprehensive report which will form the basis of our continuing health and safety considerations/. Report pre circulated and Cllr Summers and Clerk will make further observations in due course.

46/21: Delivery a new Speed Indicator Device.

The troubled SID that was purchased two years ago is now functioning correctly in Burton Row and the Council has recently purchased a 2nd unit primarily intended for Brent Street. Both of these units will provide more data on speeding activity within the village.

47/21: Resolution to delegate

A resolution was unanimously approved by the Parish Council to delegate urgent matters needed for decision to the Cllr Townsend, Cllr Borland and the Clerk during the extended period between meetings to be reviewed further on 21st July 2021. Consultation between members will be by email where possible.

48/21 MATTERS OF REPORT

Harp Road Closure 29th June
Brent Street outside hairdressers to be re surfaced in August

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

July 21st 2021 next full meeting at the Parish Hall 7pm.