

BRENT KNOLL PARISH COUNCIL

www.brentknollvillage.co.uk

Owen J Cullwick
Clerk to the Parish Council
Tel No: 07917 445215



4, Lockyer's Field
North Curry
Taunton Somerset TA3 6FB

Email

clerk@brentknollpc.co.uk

Public Session

MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of **Brent Knoll Parish Council** on **Wednesday 6th October 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 Holmes, Cllr N Summers and Cllr C Trivett-Bill, Owen Cullwick Clerk, and 2 members of the public

93/21: TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS GIVEN

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs W Camp, A Hurkett and Cllr D Knott

94/21: 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. Cllr Filmer and Cllr Townsend declared personal interest on matters relating to the community shop due to their position as shareholders.

Having received comments from a concerned member of the public a re-affirming of our Code of Conduct was approved unanimously by the Parish Council. It was also stated that any matters of concern regarding Parish Council compliance of declarations should be made to the monitoring Officer at Sedgemoor District Council.

95/21: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Resolution to approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council on the 21st July 2021

96/21: PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Cllr Filmer left the meeting having declared an interest on **94/21**

07/21/00018: Erection of rear (West) and side (South) extension on site of existing rear (West) conservatory (to be demolished) **at 185, Brent Street Brent Knoll TA9 4BE**

Response: Support of this application on the grounds of property enhancement and improved suitability for a family dwelling

07/21/00020: Retrospective application for the change of use of land to private fishing Use with alterations to highway access and fencing. Also the siting of the Portakabin and

Storage unit. **On land at Cripps Bridge, Wick Road and Wick Lane Lymsham.**

Response: Support on the grounds of proper use of an area that would otherwise be left

Planning (To consider planning matters and to respond accordingly to the District Planning authority within the due time)

Cllr Filmer returned to the meeting.

97/21: TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

(b) Footpaths: Follow up Matters

- (a) Footpath AX 8/5 Requires a handrail repair (Cllr Townsend to meet contractor)
- (b) Body's Lane stile needs adjustment to make access easier (Cllr Townsend to meet contractor)
- (c) Major footpath running from Car Park Hill Lane running to the reservoir Cllr Townsend to meet with contractor about making improvements
- (d) Dog bin at Ralphs Wood suggested by Cllr Trivett Bill (future consideration)
- (e) Cllr Freestone identified some useful dog signage in Cerne Abbas Clerk to contact them

(c) Highways: Follow up Matter

Manor Ride 10 day closure and parking concerns for School run access. Clerk to write School Head Chris Burman. To advise parents to consider car sharing

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

The Green: A detailed report received from Cllr Hurkett after 4 visits made during September

The Toilet Block: Nothing reported

(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

(f) The Clerks Report

(g)

A proposal was put to the Parish Council regarding some possible changes for consideration by the Council on Surgery timings from the present 4- 5pm to a morning surgery 10am -12 noon to give encouragement for better use of this facility. A BKN article will identify the new arrangements. The Parish Council unanimously supported a trial of 6 months for this new arrangement

(h) The Police Report/ Speed watch

Police report pre circulated

(i) District and County Council report Cllr R Filmer

Key issues briefed to Council

Covid: Sedgemoor now reported 300 cases per 100,000 which is high but down on previous numbers
95% of adults now received one dose and 90% two doses which is good level of

Vaccination. Booster Jobs now commencing

Electoral Matters: Parish Councils have supported by a large majority to bring local elections forward by one year to tie in with Unitary although the unitary proposals may delay by one year to 2023 in which case the Parish Council elections will remain as planned in 2023

Boundary Issues: As a result of the one Somerset changes boundary changes and options are currently being considered

98/21: FINANCIAL MATTERS AND PAYMENTS

99/21: Statutory Payments resolved to approve for September

PFK Little John Auditor Fees for 200/2021	£360.00
Owen J Cullwick Office Expenditure and Allowances July to Sept	£204.35
Nichols Facilities Management (September Invoice)	£60.00

100/21: Unanimously agreed to make payments as listed

101/21: A pre circulated indicative budget for 2022/2023 was agreed for the purposes of providing the required information to the loan approval authority however a more detailed financial plan will be circulated to members in readiness for a budget meeting in November

102/21: ONGOING MATTERS (Reported updates only)

103/21: Highway Weight Restrictions within the village: Ongoing Issue

104/21: 20 mph Restrictions near the School: Ongoing Issue however the 40mph Proposals are getting nearer implementation on the A38

105/21: To consider the contents of a letter from local resident regarding some concerns on drainage and signage: 3rd November meeting 2021

106/21: 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 with School

107/21: Correspondence

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

108/21: NEW MATTERS OF CONSIDERATION (Decisions to be taken)

109/21: Community Shop

The 2nd Tri party meeting between the hall the Council and shop management group was held on 5th October to consider some issues surrounding use of hall for storage and the Council electricity supply contribution. The Portakabin will be opened in due course and official opening by a local celebrity on 16th October. Arrangements are currently being considered for the re location of the telephone Kiosk. Also Clerk has been in touch with the Post Office regarding the re location of the Post Box from its present location once the shop premises has changed hands.

110/21: Local Land Offer

The car park acquisition in Hill Lane is now proceeding and the services of Holley and Steer have been approved by the Parish Council at a cost of approx. £700.00 + vat and

the Council will also approve the legal costs of the seller. The land has been offered in the sum of £1.00

111/21: Queens Jubilee Celebrations 2022

It is anticipated that the Parish Council will work with East Brent Parish Council on these celebrations in 2022. Dialogue will commence shortly to determine the appropriate way forward.

112/21: The Edward Symes Chest Tomb Project

This project has re-emerged due to the efforts of George Brown to see the project to a conclusion. There is a request for Council support (Non Financial) The Council will write a letter to the organiser of the project underlining the Parish Council support this was agreed unanimously.

113/21 MATTERS OF REPORT

No Matters Of report

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

November 3rd 2021 7pm Parish Hall Jubilee Room. Parish Surgery **November 3rd 2021 4pm** Jubilee room and a Provisional meeting if required **17th November** 7pm for urgent planning matters.