

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF BRINDLE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 11TH JULY 2016  
AT THE COMMUNITY HALL  
WATER STREET BRINDLE**

**PRESENT:-**

**COUNCILLOR D.CRANSHAW (CHAIRMAN) D. METCALFE (VICE CHAIRMAN) -  
COUNCILLORS J.BALDWIN, C. HINDLE, W. NELSON, AND T.SHARRATT.**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:- ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.**

**4268. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors Mrs S. Long, Mrs B. Robinson and J. Swann .

**4269. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL/PREJUDICIAL INTEREST:**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct the Clerk asked if any Member wished to declare an interest in any matter to be considered by the Parish Council at the meeting. No one did so at this stage.

**4270. MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meetings of the Parish Council held on 23rd May 2016 having previously been circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**4271. ADJOURNMENT:**

**THERE THEN FOLLOWED AN ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO RAISE ISSUES AND QUESTION THE PARISH COUNCIL REGARDING MATTERS DEALT WITH. AS NO MATTERS WERE RAISED BY THE MEMBER PUBLIC THE PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED WITH THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA.**

**4272. POLICE LIAISON:**

**(A) NEWSLETTER:**

The Clerk reported that he had been informed that due to police cutbacks the police would attend Parish Council Meetings only in exceptional circumstances or issue a newsletter this would be published on line.

It was also understood that no further PACT Meetings would be held.

Resolved:- That the Clerk contact the Police and Crime Commissioner to ascertain the situation.

**(B) CONSUMER ALERTS – TRADING STANDARDS:**

The Clerk circulated copies of the latest consumer alerts from the County Council's Trading Standards Officer and a leaflet regarding Scams to mark their campaign publicising the problem.

Resolved:- That the reports be accepted.

**4273. COMMUNITY HALL:**

A report was presented on current activities.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

*The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) declared personal and non prejudicial interests in this matter in respect of being a representative of the Parish Council on the Community Hall Management Committee.*

**4274. LALC REPORT:**

The Clerk reported details of the current newsletter.

He also reported that the LALC AGM would be held on 19th November 2016 at County Hall Preston.

Notification of delegates was required by 4th November 2016 and details of any resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting were required by 24th August 2016.

The next meeting of the Chorley Area Committee would be held on 20th October 2016 at Chorley Town Hall. The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) would attend. He also reported on the recent area meeting

Resolved:- (1) That the reports be accepted.

(2) That the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) and Councillor T. Sharratt be appointed the Council's delegates to the Annual General Meeting of LALC to be held on 19th November 2016.

(3) That any resolutions to the Annual General Meeting be considered at the next meeting.

*The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) declared an interest in this matter in respect of him being Vice Chairman of LALC.*

**4275. HIGHWAY MATTERS:**

**(A). LITTER BIN - FRITHS FARM:**

The Clerk reported that a site visit had been held regarding the location of a litter bin but it had not been possible to identify a suitable site. However, South Ribble Borough Council had recently located a dual purpose bin at the corner of Bournes Row and Gregson Lane.

Resolved:- That no further action be taken regarding this matter.

**(B). SMITHY LANE - SALT BIN:**

The Clerk reported that the repairs had still not been carried out.

Resolved:- That the County Council be asked to carry out the repair work to the salt bin on Smithy Lane as soon as possible.

**(C). FLOODING:**

The Clerk reported that there had not been any progress on the sites near Calverts Cottage Water Street, at Birch Lane, Oram Road, the culvert opposite the Community Hall and blocked ditches on Dover Lane/Back Lane between Back Lane Farm and the Riding Centre and near Silcocks Farm on Windmill Lane all were on a list for attention.

He also reported that in connection with the production of a map showing the location of gullies he had contacted the County Council to request a copy of their information. There had been no response to this.

Councillor Nelson reported that there was severe flooding in Pippin Street and Councillor Sharratt reported a similar situation near the car park at Denham Hill.

Resolved:- (1) That the Clerk contact the County Council regarding the latest position regarding flooding at the locations mentioned and that Pippin Street and Denham Hill be added to the list.

(2) That the County Council be asked to provide a map showing the location of gullies as soon as possible.

**(D). PRIVATE ROAD:**

The County Council was to undertake an investigation to the road at Holly Bank on Private Road.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

**(E). STILES:**

The County Council had not commented on the opinion expressed at the last meeting regarding the condition of the stiles at Denham Lane, Breworth Fold, Moss Lane/Smithy Lane and near Eagles Nest.

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) suggested that the current state of the service given by the Footpaths Officers be the subject of a resolution to the LALC AGM in November.

Resolved:- That the Clerk contact the County Footpaths Officer again about the safety of the stiles and the possible resolution about the Countryside Service be considered at the next meeting.

**(F). FOOTPATH - GORTON BROOK: .**

Councillor Nelson requested information as to whether this footpath had been maintained.

Resolved:- That the Clerk contact the County Council regarding this matter.

**(G). FOOTPATH SIGNS - ORAM ROAD:**

Councillor Hindle reported there had been no action regarding the re-erection of the footpath sign posts near Oram House Farm and near Hewngate Farm on Oram Road.

Resolved:- That the Clerk inform the County Council.

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### **(H). POTHOLES:**

At a recent meeting Councillor Sharratt reported that there was a large pothole on Holt Lane at Denham Hill north east of the car park at Denham Quarry. The pothole was located at the side of the road near Hough Houses Farm at a point where the road was narrow and was really only of single vehicle width.

At the same meeting a Member of the Public reported a pothole at the manhole near the phone box at Top oth Lane.

Resolved:- That the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) undertake a site inspection and notify the Clerk of the situation.

### **(I). IRON MAN EVENT:**

The Clerk reminded the Parish Council of the temporary road closures for the event on 17th July 2016.

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) had notified local residents at Top oth Lane.

Councillor Nelson hoped that there would be better policing of the event at Holt Lane.

Resolved:- That the comments be noted.

### **(J). CLOSURE OF MINTHOLME CROSSING:**

The Clerk reported the crossing would be closed for repair work to the crossing surface and renewal of road markings from 23.00 hours on 13th July to 06.00 hours on 14th July 2016.

Resolved:- That the closure be noted.

### **(K). TEMPORARY CLOSURE - GREGSON LANE:**

The Clerk submitted details of the proposed temporary closure of Gregson Lane from Gowans Lane to the Black Horse Hotel from 11th July to 22nd July 2016 for carriage way resurfacing work. It was expected that the work would start on 15th July 2016.

Councillor Hindle suggested the possible installation of bollards to prevent motorists damaging the grass triangle at Oram Road.

Resolved:- That the temporary closure be noted and that the question of safeguarding the grass triangle be referred to the County Council.

### **4276. CHORLEY COUNCIL REPORT:**

The Clerk reported on issues affecting the Parish Council.

Resolved: - That report be accepted.

### **4277. PLANNING REPORT:**

#### **(A). DECISIONS:**

The Clerk reported that no decisions had been made since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

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### **(B) APPLICATIONS:.**

The Clerk reported that the following applications had been received since the last meeting.

1.Reinstatement of damaged timber frame structure into residential Bury Farm Sandy Lane (App no 16/00449/FUL) Applicant Mr. Pawson.

Details had been circulated to all Members of the Parish Council and no observations had been made the Clerk had informed Chorley Council.

2. Discharge of conditions attached to permission 15/01072 FUL (Replacement of existing septic tank and repositioning of vehicular entrance) Chesham House Sandy Lane (App no16/00428/DIS) Applicant Mr. Loram - Spring.

Details had been circulated to all Members of the Parish Council and no observations had been made the Clerk had informed Chorley Council.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted.

### **(C) UNAUTHORISED DEVELOPMENT:**

It was reported that possible unauthorised development had taken place at Silcocks Farm Windmill Lane and Town House Farm Sandy Lane.

The Planning Enforcement Officer had been asked to investigate this.He had replied that the development at Silcocks Farm had been authorised ,

However, he had not replied concerning the development at Town House Farm

Resolved:- That the Planning Enforcement Officer be asked to undertake further investigations at Town House Farm Sandy Lane.

### **4278. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment.

1. A. Harkness	Payroll - April - June 2016	£1061.33
2 A. Harkness	Stationery	£117.46
3. Brindle Community Hall	Hire of Room July 2016	£20.00

### **4279. APPLICATION FOR GRANT**

**The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) Councillors W. Nelson and T. Sharratt declared an interest in the following item and left the room during consideration of the matter.**

**The Vice Chairman (Councillor D. Metcalfe) was in the chair when discussing the matter.**

### **(A) BRINDLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:**

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This Clerk resubmitted the application for grant from the Treasurer of the Historical Society.

Resolved:- That a grant of £100.00 be made to the Brindle Historical Society.

**The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) Councillors W. Nelson and T. Sharratt returned to the meeting at this point.**

### **4280. LETTERS OF THANKS:**

The Clerk submitted letters of thanks from the Secretary of the Brindle Village Show and BOFFs for the donations made by the Parish Council.

Resolved: - That the letters of thanks be accepted.

### **4281. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AUDIT SYSTEM:**

The Clerk circulated a report dealing with a review of the Parish Council's Internal Audit System.

Resolved: - That the review be approved.

### **4082. RISK ASSESSMENT:**

The Clerk submitted a risk assessment report including the Council's Financial Systems.

Resolved: - That the risk assessment report be approved.

### **4283. PHONE BOX - TOP OTH LANE:**

It was reported that a defibrillator had been installed.

Resolved:- That the report be accepted and Mr. Fleming be thanked for the work he had undertaken.

### **4284. DENHAM QUARRY:**

Councillor Baldwin submitted a letter from the Wildlife Trust regarding the control of Japanese Knotweed Himalayan Balsam and Rhododendron at between May 2016 and September 2017.

The Clerk reported that the No Motorcycling signs had been re-erected.

Resolved That the report be accepted

### **4285. PARISH PLAN:**

The Vice Chairman (Councillor D. Metcalfe) reported on the current situation regarding the siting of a bench at Workhouse Lane.

Resolved:- That the Vice Chairman (Councillor D. Metcalfe) consider this suggestion and report to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

### **4286. WHITE RAILINGS - PIPPIN STREET:**

The Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) reminded the Parish Council that it had agreed to the repainting of the railings and that they were currently in a poor state .

The Clerk submitted an estimate of £1100.00 for the work.

The money could be found from the Parish Council's Estimates.

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Resolved:- That the estimate for the repainting of the railings at Pippin Street be accepted and the Clerk arrange for it to be put in hand.

### **4287. SHUTTLINGFIELDS TRUST:**

The Clerk submitted a request from the the former Writer of the Trust to divest himself of his remaining voluntary role . The Parish Council was reminded that it had agreed to wind up the Trust in 2013.

Resolved : That the Parish Council take the necessary action to complete the formal winding up of the Shutlingfields Trust and the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw) and Clerk make the arrangements.

### **4288. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Monday 15th August 2016 at.7.30 p.m. at the Trinity Methodist Church Gregson Lane.

**There being no further business the Chairman (Councillor D. Cranshaw)declared the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.**

**SIGNED  
CHAIRMAN**

**15TH AUGUST 2016.**