

BRIMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7 February 2017 @ 7.30

Present: Mr C Brims (Chairman), Mr P Bassil, Mrs M Cowdery, Mr D Cowdery, Mr J Hicks, Mr R Smallwood, the Clerk Mrs B Harding and 13 members of the public
Apologies: District Councillor Dominic Boeck

Declarations of Interest: RS declared a potential interest in the planning application for Pelynt as he owns an adjoining property

1 **Minutes of the previous meeting** approved and signed

2 **Matters Arising:**

Enforcement Issues – DB reported to the Clerk that the WBC Enforcement Officer has no concerns about the current use of the property adjacent to Lakeside, Brimpton Common.

Roads – PB reported that there had been no progress.

Bus shelter – Work has not yet started ; builder explained that he was awaiting removal of bus stop by WBC.

Bank – no progress with obtaining an additional signatory – Clerk to progress with Bank.

Website – the new website is not meeting expectations of support.

Closed churchyard – Mrs Brenda Scott confirmed that the churchyard is not closed and it is not possible to close it.

3 **District Councillor's Report** – see Enforcements Issues and Electoral Review

4 **Clerk's Report**

Financial Report: c/a £17,554.64* d/ac £11,762.52

*incl £6800 for bus shelter

Bills to be paid: none

Planning Applications:

New:	16/03518	Pelynt	new house*
	17/0040	Pippins	garage extension
Current:	16/03280	Adj The Firs	detached house
	16/02916	Blacknest Farm	5 houses (see above)
	16/03446	Little Park	outbuildings
Decision:	16/03030	Solar Park	time extension granted

*Councillors supported and commended this application, whilst recognising it represents an increase in footprint of over 50%, it replaces an uneconomic old building and is in keeping with surrounding houses. RS abstained.

Correspondence: Cold weather message

5 Code of Conduct

The councillors agreed to adopt the WBC template. Clerk will make appropriate insertions of Brimpton Parish Council and circulate to councillors.

6 Electoral Review

MC distributed a ward map and detailed appropriate statistics. Given that DB had reported that the ward boundaries review will have no implications for Brimpton and that any change proposed for the Crookham Common area will have to be a Parish boundary matter. Councillors agreed to defer discussion until any proposed changes are notified.

7 Accountancy Procedures and Transparency code

JH and the Clerk had attended a BALC course and some procedures will be redefined. JH was appointed as Internal Checker and clerk will submit the spreadsheet and accounts books to him on a regular basis.

6 Village Hall Report

Date horseshoes are now displayed above the front doors.
The hardwood floor of the main hall will have to be replaced this year.

7 Any Other Business

In answer to a question from MC, CB was able to confirm that the Recreation Ground is in process of renewing the fencing, it is planned to replace the pavilion and once this is done other facilities will be considered.

Councillors are to consider the agenda and attendees for the Annual Parish meeting ready for discussion at the March meeting.

DC had received a complaint from parishioners about the cost of the bus service for the school children; could be considered in the future.

Michael Bowden (Manor Farm) complained about parking by footpath walkers alongside his gateways as this impedes his farm vehicles and could cause damage to parked cars; he was advised to place cautionary notices on his fences.

Date of next meeting: 7 March 2017



7.3.17.

Meeting closed at 20.25