

Brimpton Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

Date: Tuesday 7th September 2021 Time: 7.30pm

Place: Brimpton Village Hall

Attending: Mr John Hicks (Chairman)

Mr Phil Bassil

Mr Charles Brims

Mrs Mary Cowdery

Mr John Dolphin

Mr Nicholas Matthews

In Attendance: Christine McGarvie (Clerk)

8 Members of the public

89/21 Public Forum

89.1 Mrs Cowdery reported that a resident of Hockford Lane has asked Hampshire County Council for road signs to be moved and 'riders in the road' signs installed. The resident has also requested that a road name sign be installed. Hampshire County Council have informed the resident that any cases of drivers breaking the weight limit restriction should be reported to the police. It was noted that in West Berkshire, Trading Standards take responsibility for following up with drivers that break the weight limit restriction.

89.2 Mrs Cowdery asked if there had been any progress on the purchase of a new recreation ground for the Parish. Mr Brims reported that there had been some progress but the details were confidential at this stage and he would update the Parish Council when appropriate.

90/21 Apologies for absence

None

91/21 To receive declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda

None

92/21 Minutes of the previous meeting

92.1 It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd August 2021 were a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

92.2 Matters arising from the Minutes not otherwise on the agenda including review of the Action Tracker.

82/21 Plans for the Queens Platinum jubilee celebrations are progressing well. The outline programme of events has been finalised and there have been a couple of additional ideas put forward by residents.

70/21 Mr. Hicks contacted West Berkshire Highways to follow up on the letter sent regarding parking around the school but has had no response as yet.

46/21 Clerk has requested a meeting with the West Berkshire Executive member for planning but had no response yet.

52.2/21 The notes from the latest West Berkshire Climate forum have been sent to councillors.

30/21 Clerk to arrange a date for Mr. Bassil and the Clerk to meet with the West Berkshire officer on site regarding the flooding at Willow Wands.

Action : Clerk

93/21 Parish Environment

93.1 To provide an update on the use of the Speed Indicator Device(SID) in the Parish

Data has been collected near the school and in Crookham Common Road. The SID is currently at the end of Hatch Lane but will be returned to Aldermaston Parish Council at the end of the week. West Berkshire Council have said that the SID cannot be mounted on bus stops. The Parish Council could ask West Berkshire Council to install a post specifically for the SID but the Parish Council would have to pay for this.

West Berkshire Council are only interested in speeding above the ACPO speed limit so Clerk will modify the reports from the SID to show this before sending to West Berkshire Council.

Mr. Matthews asked whether the SID could be installed at the junction of Brimpton Lane and Wasing Road opposite the pub. Clerk to investigate whether this is possible.

Action : Clerk

It was agreed that the Parish Council could consider purchasing a SID in the future but at the moment the shared SID was sufficient.

93.2 To provide an update on registering ownership of Brimpton Common Fuel Allotment with Land Registry

Mr Hicks met with Wasing Estate to discuss registering ownership of the Brimpton Common Fuel Allotment. The conclusion is that there is no evidence that the land was ever owned by the 'Overseers of the Poor' and therefore no evidence that the Parish Council own it.

Mr. Hicks proposed that the Parish Council should not proceed with registering the land and this was agreed. Mr. Hicks to inform the trustees of the Brimpton Common Fuel Allotment of this decision.

93.3 To consider whether the Parish Council should investigate taking responsibility for the land at the end of Enborne Way

The land at the end of Enborne Way is not being maintained to a good standard by Sovereign. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Sovereign to ask whether they would consider selling or leasing the land at the end of Enborne way to the Parish Council.

93.4 To consider the offer of Cherry Trees from West Berkshire's Blossom into Spring Project.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would accept two Cherry Trees. One would be planted at the back of the Village Hall and the other on the land at the end of Enborne Way.

Clerk to contact West Berkshire Council to arrange delivery.

Action: Clerk

93.5 To consider purchasing a plaque for the War Memorial Oak Tree

It was agreed that a plaque would be purchased for the War Memorial Oak Tree. The quotes obtained were considered and it was agreed that a brass plaque on a wooden mount with a metal stake would be purchased. Mrs Cowdery to provide the wording for the plaque and Clerk to obtain a more accurate quotation.

Action : MH/Clerk

93.6 To consider bulb planting in the Parish as part of Big Green Week

It was agreed that a 25kg bag of daffodils would be purchased at an approximate price of £30. Mr. Hicks to appeal for volunteers to help plant the bulbs.

Action: Clerk /JH

94/21 Planning and Development

94.1 To consider new planning applications and provide updates on any already considered. See appendix C below.

21/02089/HOUSE – Oak House, Wasing Road. First floor extension to bedroom and ground floor extension

The Parish Council resolved to respond in support of the application.

21/02055/FULD – 5 The Willows. Demolition of existing dwelling and replace with 2 storey 5 bed house.

The Parish Council resolved to respond with no objections but to point out that the design is contrary to the Village Design Statement although the Parish Council accept that it will not be visible due to its location.

94.2

21/01895/PASSHE Mrs Cowdery has raised a concern with West Berkshire planning department as the case officer stated in their decision report that the Parish Council had not responded to the consultation when in fact the Parish Council had been told that no response was required. Neighbours had also not been notified of the application.

95/21 Finance

95.1 To approve payments and approve reconciliation against bank statements

The payments and bank reconciliation were agreed.

Brimpton Common Fuel Allotment Trust have requested a grant of £86.24 to pay for public liability insurance. The grant was agreed.

The Clerk has purchased new defibrillator pads at a cost of £36 and jubilee bunting at a cost of £59.97 on the Parish Council Credit Card.

It was agreed that the gravel for the Village Hall Car Park should be purchased by the Parish Council and then donated to the Village Hall. Clerk to arrange.

Action : Clerk

96/21 Consultation documents requiring consideration

None

97/21 Reports

97.1 District Councillor's Report

Cllr Boeck has sent his monthly report and this has been circulated to councillors.

97.2 Report from Village Hall Committee

A broken window at the Village Hall has been replaced free of charge.

Booking requests are increasing.

Wasing Estate have responded favourably to the idea of installing a beacon for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on the land behind the Hall.

The Village Hall AGM will be held on 28th September.

97.3 Reports from Parish Council representatives on external bodies

AWE – The number of people reporting sickness has gone up to 17, with 282 unavailable for work due to sickness or self-isolating.

98/21 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5th October 2021 in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.23 pm.

Signed: Date:.....
(Chairman)

Appendix A

Meeting Report 7th September 2021

Community Account

Statement balance 24/8/2021	Cashbook balance as at 31/8/2021	Cashbook balance after new payments made
£41,085.66	£41,085.66	£40,845.66

Payments made since last meeting

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
SO	Mrs C McGarvie	July salary	240.00
DD	ICO	subscription	35.00
EP	Digital House MD Ltd	Website hosting	172.80
TOTAL			£240.00

New items for payment

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
SO	Mrs C McGarvie	September salary	240.00
TOTAL			£240.00

Receipts since last meeting date

Receipt Date	Payer	Details	TOTAL AMOUNT

£0.00

Payments not presented as of 31/8/2021

Cheque No	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST
TOTAL			

Receipts not cleared as of 31/8/2021

Receipt date	Payer	Details	TOTAL COST
			0

Savings Account balance 24/8/2021	£31,906.23
Brimpton story/BPRA	£1,386.18
CIL	£806.40
CIL	£12,427.23
INRG solar donation	£20,000.00
	£34,619.81

Defib paid for
Must be spent by October 2021
must be spent by May 2026

Appendix B

Bank Reconciliation 31st August 2021

Authority name	Brimpton Parish Council	
Prepared by	Christine McGarvie	Clerk and RFO
Date	31st August 2021	
Approved by	John Hicks	Chair of council

Balance per bank statements as at 24th August 2021	£	£
Community Account		41,085.66
Saving account		31,906.23
		<u>72,991.89</u>

Less any un-presented payments at 24th August 2021

0.00

Add any uncleared receipts

Net Bank balances as at 24th August 2021	<u><u>£72,991.89</u></u>
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CASH BOOK

Opening balance as per cashbook 1st April 2021	32,848.53
Add: Receipts in the year	12,507.45
Less: Payments in the year	<u>4,270.32</u>
Closing balance as per cash book as at 24th August 2021	<u><u>£41,085.66</u></u>

Opening balance savings account 1st April 2021	31,905.43
Add: Receipts in the year	£0.80
Less: Payments in the year	<u>0</u>
Closing balance as per cash book as at 24th August 2021	<u><u>£31,906.23</u></u>

Overall closing balance	<u><u>£72,991.89</u></u>
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diff	£0.00
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Appendix C

Brimpton Parish Council Meeting – 7th September 2021

Planning Applications for Consideration

1	21/02089/HOUSE – Oak House, Wasing Road. First floor extension to bedroom and alterations to flat roof areas and construction of a ground floor extension	Deadline 14 th September
2	21/02055/FULD – 5 The Willows. Demolition of existing dwelling and detached garage. Replacement with 2 storey, part single storey 5-bedroom dwelling and single storey garage	Deadline 10 th September

Planning Application Decisions made

1	21/01710/HOUSE – Westmead House, Brimpton Lane – Detached 4 bay garage	Refused
2	21/01432/FUL - Larkwhistle Farm, Brimpton Common - Erection of a new outbuilding	Refused
3	21/01561/MINMAJ – Land at Phase 4 to 6 Kennetholme Quarry, Brimpton Road. Condition variation to extend the timescale for the completion of extraction and restoration of the site by 24 months	Approved

Planning Applications Awaiting Decisions

1	21/01842/HOUSE – Ardgroom. Form new opening in tile hung front elevation of property	Deadline 23 rd Sept
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