

Bracon Ash and Hethel Parish Council
Minutes of the January 2019 Parish Council Meeting
At Bracon Ash & Hethel Village Hall,
On Monday 7th January 2019 at 7.30PM

Present:

Mr Colin Rudd – Chairman	Mr David Biddle
Mrs Anne Howlett	Mrs Penny Gray
Cllr Nigel Legg	Mr Howard Marriott
Clerk Mrs Carole Jowett	
2 members of the public attended	

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| 1 | <p>To consider apologies for absence</p> <p>Mrs Mary Gray, Mrs Penny Gray, Mr Hayes and Cllr Foulger had sent their apologies.</p> |
| 2 | <p>To receive declaration of interests in items on agenda</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p> |
| 3 | <p>Resolution to adjourn the meeting for public participation, District and County Councillor reports</p> <p>Public participation</p> <p>Photographs of the cycle track had been provided to the clerk.</p> <p>The placement of the 2 new benches was to be discussed later in the week.</p> <p>The community events group had spoken about there being a generic website for Bracon Ash & Hethel as there were multiple sites for different organisations. The members were looking into solutions to overcome the confusion and have discussed options with the vicar in Mulbarton as he had created a group page for the various parishes in his benefice. The vicar had said he could do the work for £50 per year and would be willing to do this for Bracon Ash and Hethel. It was agreed that this should go ahead and the parish council would contribute towards the cost.</p> <p>District Councillor report</p> <p>Cllr Legg said that there was not a lot to report due to the Christmas break. He reported that the new managing director was working up his new joint management team but there was not expected to be any redundancies.</p> <p>Cllr Legg said that there had been a lot of complaints about bin collections due to the location of where people needed to leave them, as they had to leave them at the roadside.</p> <p>He said that he was unable to contribute towards a defibrillator as he had already given some funding to the parish council this year.</p> <p>The planning application for the houses at Cuckoofield Lane (Planning Application 2019/0014) had been received in the last 2 days. This had been discussed at the last meeting when the developers had presented the plans. Comprehensive reports were available on-line and discussions took place.</p> <p>It was noted that the proposed development did not impact on many households and was a low-density high quality development. Cllr Legg said that he had attended the open day and some people had raised some concerns and that the site was outside the development boundary. The plans were outline so did not necessarily determine the actual development. Some concerns were raised about a potential to open up the old nursery site for development although that would not be something that would be considered on this application. Light pollution was raised but this was included in the environmental impact analysis that had been done and was not likely to be an issue.</p> <p>Comments agreed to be submitted included asking that height restrictions should be a condition of any permission granted. To ask for a contribution for play equipment through s106 as there would be none provided on the development and these would be family homes.</p> |

	It was agreed to consider other comments put forward by residents add further issues if residents had relevant concerns that the parish council would want to support.				
4	<p>To confirm minutes and review matters arising from the meeting held on 10th December 2018</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2018 were agreed and signed.</p>				
5	<p>To agree to fund a defibrillator, purchase a box, arrange installation and training through the British Heart Foundation</p> <p>Community Heartbeat was running a campaign to try to get all communities to provide defibrillators. They were lobbying the government to get backing. There would be no liability but there was a recommendation that it was insured. It would need to be checked regularly and pads changed from time to time.</p> <p>Mr Biddle said would liaise with the providers and get the machine ordered. He would speak to the village hall to agree regular checks and siting and installations of the box.</p>				
6	<p>Finance</p> <p>6.1 To receive statement of accounts to 7th January 2019</p> <p>The way leave payments had not been received, the clerk will chase them up. Vat reclaim had been done and would be received before the end of the year. The accounts were agreed.</p> <p>6.2 To agree budget requirements for 2019-20</p> <p>There was a large s106 payment due from the development in Long Lane, which was expected in 2019-20 and would be used to improve the playing field.</p> <p>6.3 To set the precept for 2019-20</p> <p>It was agreed to increase the precept by 3% in line with inflation. The clerk and the chairman signed the precept request form.</p> <p>6.3 To agree invoices for payment in accordance with budget</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Chq no 891</td> <td>£164.39</td> <td>C Jowett</td> <td>Grit bin</td> </tr> </table> <p>The payment was agreed and the cheque was signed.</p>	Chq no 891	£164.39	C Jowett	Grit bin
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7	<p>To consider correspondence received</p> <p>An email had been circulated with information on the forthcoming local elections.</p>				
8	<p>To consider agenda items for the next meeting on 18th March 2019</p> <p>Meeting dates for 2019</p> <p>18th March 2019 14th May 2019 15th July 2019 16th September 2019 21st October 2019 25th November 2019</p> <p>Agenda Items</p> <p>To discuss action on Anglian Water repeated issues with the water main. The chairman closed the meeting at 20:50</p>				

	<p>Signed Date</p> <p>Colin Rudd Chairman to Bracon Ash and Hethel Parish Council</p>
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