

Granborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Granborough Parish Council

Held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 29th January 2019

Attendees: Cllr Barclay, Cllr Marchant, Cllr Oakland (Chair), Cllr Smedley, Cllrs L & B Watson, Clerk Tors Firth, and 1 members of the public.

145. Apologies; Council accepted apologies from District Cllr Raven, Cllr Wright and County Cllr Chilver were absent.

146. Open Forum for Parishioners; No items were raised by members of the public.

147. Interests: No declarations of interest were made.

148. Minutes;

Resolved: To accept the Minutes from the 2nd January 2019 as a true record.

149. Finance

a. Resolved: To accept the accounts for October, November and December 2018

b. Ratified: The following payments were raised online;

63 £106.33 to E.on for electricity, £5.06 VAT included

64 £**.** to Mrs V Firth, Clerks Expenses November, no VAT included

65 £370.02 to AVDC for Dog Waste Bin Services, £61.67 VAT included

66 £25 to Cllr Smedley, reimbursement for Poppy Wreath, no VAT included

67 £100 to Granborough 101 club for the village Christmas Tree, no VAT included

68 £***.** to Mrs V Firth, Clerks Pay December, no VAT included

69 £18 to Unity Trust Bank, 3 monthly charge, no VAT included

70 £36 to Parish Online Subscription, £6 VAT included

71 £109.88 to E.on for electricity, £5.23 VAT included

72 £**.** to Mrs V Firth, Clerks Expenses December, no VAT included

73 £422.40 to Robert Kemp for fencing in the play area, £70.40 VAT included

74 £284.70 to Cllr Smedley for agreed white board purchase £47.45 VAT included

c. Confirmed: Cllr Oakland, Cllrs Watson and Cllr Marchant have been added as Signatories to the Council's account, the Council's address has also been updated.

150. Planning

a. Confirmed: Cllrs Smedley & Oakland have written a response on behalf of the Council to application 18/04496/APP for 17 houses next to Sovereign Close.

Cllr Smedley will speak on the Council's behalf should this go before committee.

The working party has created a leaflet explaining how to respond to this application. Mark Scholes will deliver the leaflet to every household.

Resolved: Any S106 monies should be given to the village hall restoration project.

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- b. *Confirmed;*** A letter was sent to the owner of 24D requesting restoration of the verge that has been destroyed by traffic trying to manoeuvre around inconsiderately parked Contractor vehicles. Residents have reported the issues to Fixmystreet, who have visited the site.

Resolved; The Clerk will send a reminder, once work is complete.

- c. *Confirmed;*** The following update was obtained from AVDC:

18/00916/ALB 19 Winslow Road – Awaiting decision

18/03294/APP 20D Green End – Approved

18/03454/COUAR Barn on Winslow Road – Refused

18/03505/APP Ley Farm – Approved

18/01713/APP Old Vicarage, Green End – Awaiting Decision

151. County Council: Highways, Footpaths & Footways

- a. Issues raised since the last meeting;** None

b. Updates;

- i. The Local Area Technician has been unable to visit the bridge regarding signs
- ii. The Local Area Technician has been unable to inspect the tree opposite The Crown ***Resolved;*** The Clerk will ask Robert Kemp to dispose of the fallen branches, a budget was agreed.
- iii. ***Confirmed;*** Street Sweeping is twice a year, in February and August.

152. Recreation Ground;

- a. *Resolved;*** Inspection Reports indicate no further action is required at this time

b. Updates are as follows;

- i. ***Resolved;*** The Council will ask Robert Kemp to provide a quote for filling and then re-seeding the goal depression, although it is acknowledged that the work can't take place until the Spring.
- ii. ***Confirmed;*** The bin opening mechanism is working properly. It was requested that if anything untoward is found in the bins, that the Neighbourhood Watch is informed.
- iii. ***Resolved;*** To ask RTM to remove the brambles behind the bench and at the lower gate, when they make their first play area cut of the year.
- iv. ***Confirmed;*** All rotted fence posts have now been replaced.

153. Street Lighting and Parish Council Assets

- a. New Issues;** None
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- b. **Resolved;** The bench opposite The Crown is structurally sound but in need of some cosmetic attention. The Clerk will ask Roy Randles to rub down and varnish it, a budget has been set.
- c. **Resolved;** The new notice board will be delivered to Cllr Smedley on 31/1/19. Cllr Smedley will ask Andrew North to carry out installation, a budget has been set for this work. The board will occupy the space currently used for the village notice board. The village will have access to the existing Parish Council notice board (doors will be unlocked), temporarily until new boards can be sourced for the bus shelters. There are plans to provide an illustrated map for the new notice board.
- d. **Confirmed;** Street Lights on Marston Road and Green End are now working. No further issues have been reported. **Resolved;** To put a notice about reporting Street Lights on the new notice board when it is installed.
- e. **Confirmed;** Batteries and tools have now been handed over to Cllr Oakland, who will keep the MVAS batteries charged.
- f. **Resolved;** It was agreed that Council assets and road signs should be cleaned, the Clerk will source a Contractor.

154. Devolved Services;

- a. **Resolved;** The shortened contract with Bucks County Council for devolved services was signed.
- b. **Resolved;** The Clerk will speak to RTM about 2019/20 Contract.

155. Neighbourhood Plan;

- a. Cllr Oakland provided an update from the village meeting on 19th January. Feedback will now be collected and used to create a house by house questionnaire, to form the required evidence base. The Neighbourhood Plan group will look to hire a Consultant shortly, and consider applying for a grant.
- b. **Resolved;** The Clerk will be employed by the Neighbourhood Plan group for administrative assistance, and will invoice the Parish Council for her time.

- 156. Outside Bodies;** Cllr Smedley provided an update from the NBPPC meeting including that the new Cabinet Member would like to improve relations between AVDC planners and Parish Council's. It was also noted that a shadow group has been created, to look at the new unitary authority and determine its structure.

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157. Plans and Structures;

a. The Expressway;

Resolved; Cllrs Oakland, Smedley, Barclay and Marchant will form a working party to create a Parish Council response regarding the Expressway.

b. **Resolved;** Cllrs Oakland & Smedley will attend the Parish Liaison meeting at Gawcot Village Hall on 4th April regarding the Unitary authority.

158. District and County Updates;

Cllr Raven and Cllr Chilver did not attend the meeting, no updates were sent.

159. Post and Consultations;

a. 14/12 Unitary Update from AVDC

b. 17/12 Parish Council Elections Postponement from AVDC

c. Parish Unitary Liaison Meetings (Cllrs Oakland & Smedley attending)

d. 18/12 National Highways Survey (link on website)

e. 18/12 News for the Parishes from AVDC

f. 19/12 Police Council Tax Increase Survey

g. 21/12 Minutes of the Winslow LAF from Buck County Council

h. 02/01 BALC Spring Conference

i. 03/01 Royal Garden Party Nomination

j. 03/01 Expressway Newsletter 2 from Bucks CC

k. 04/01 New Homes Bonus Grant – expressions of interest from AVDC

l. 08/01 Unitary Authority Update from Bucks Association of Local Council's

m. 15/01 Winslow Big Society Group Wheelchair Transport – link on website

n. 18/01 Community Emergency Planning from AVDC.

160. Items for the Next Agenda; New Homes Bonus

161. To confirm the date of the next meeting; 5th March 2019

The meeting closed at 21:05

Signed: _____

Date: _____