
**MINUTES OF THE REMOTE ANNUAL MEETING OF BRILL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 16th MARCH 2021 VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING**

Present Cllr Dickinson, Cllr Fisher, Cllr Hamilton, Cllr Cadle, Cllr Turner and Cllr Newman, Cllr Rand (B.C.) and Cllr Branson (B.C.)

- 021/043 To receive and accept the apologies for absence – Cllr Macpherson**
- 021/044 Any Declarations of Interest - None**
- 021/045 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting - Approved**
- 021/046.1 Planning**
Planning Policy Meeting 31.03 – Cllr Newman will represent Brill PC
- 021/046.2 Decisions received - None**
- 021/046.3 Enforcement Issues -**
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Constables Store – High Street – Air conditioning unit– Action Clerk to chase
1 Godfreys Close – Cllr Cadle to review the boundary work
– Action Cllr Cadle
- 021/047 COVID 19 – Community help – No update – Remove from agenda**
- 021/048 Common/Parish Council Land**
- 021/048.1 The Walks – Review zoom meeting and agree tree work**
Clerk to obtain a price to reduce the willows by the pond to 2 metres
from PC Contractors Oxford Oak Company Action Clerk
Cllr Turner to obtain a comparative price for the work
Action Cllr Turner
The wood will be left on site and can be offered to interested parties.
Cllr Buggiey to monitor tree by the partitioning gate.
- 021/048.2 Common Land registration – Cllr Hamilton will circulate all fees for the**
Cllrs to review. All made an in principle decision to accept the most
competitive price for the surveyance and legal work.
Cllr Turner to go on and advise accordingly.
Action Cllr Hamilton and Councillor Turner
- 021/048.3 Fence posts – Cllr Dickinson will ask BVCH to explore ways to remove the**
posts and cap the holes ensuring they can be easily identified.
He will also reiterate the volunteer support. Action Cllr Dickinson
- 021/049 Parking - Cllr Dickinson started the discussion by stating that yellow lines**
on Windmill Street was the only way to combat the parking issues and given
the Cllrs previously voted against this parking should now be removed from
the agenda.
Cllr Cadle like others had not appreciated yellow lines in conservation area

All were aware of changes in BVCH's financial situation and the need to be more transparent with improved dialogue amongst all parties. He therefore would like to propose a motion to appreciate this. Prior to doing so Cllr Turner asked to read out and minute the following:

'I am fully supportive of the current grazing of the common. In 2011 the Parish Council agreed to make an annual contribution to the newly established BVCH, whose aim was to provide a small herd of cows to graze the common which was becoming overgrown and difficult to manage. Income for BVCH at the time was limited and uncertain. The PC therefore agreed to help fund the herd and agreed to make annual payments to help with costs. The payment at this time was approximately £1100 p/a. This has since risen to £2,400.00. Since 2016 the PC has been receiving a grant from the Government under the higher level stewardship scheme of which £1,970 is for 'the restoration towards species rich grassland' which can include grazing. This is the only government funding available to the PC for the next 5 years for common management. As I understand it, in 2016 BVCH paid £5,400 to one of its board members for the lease of grazing rights. Having these grazing rights has made BVCH eligible for a direct government subsidy of approximately £5,500 p/a which, when added to the PC contribution of £2,400 plus annual membership fees, means that their income is now much higher than it was at the time of formation of BVCH. At the end of 2020 I understand BVCH had an accumulated surplus of approximately £15,000. BVCH is a not for profit co-operative. I see no reason for the PC to continue to contribute money at the current level and suggest that future contributions to BVCH be made on demonstrable need. Parish Council funding should be agreed annually in an open democratic manner as a result of regular meetings between BVCH board members and Brill PC. This will assure all parishioners that money received by the PC for common restoration is being spent fairly and with probity and not simply adding to the surplus held by BVCH.'

Cllr Turner pointed out that PC funding of the herd should not be reliant on grants as the PC have an obligation to maintain the common

Cllr Dickinson went on to propose 'Brill Parish Council agree to continue funding BVCH under the current arrangement until September 21 at which point, following an open dialogue and full transparency, we will have agreed a basis of future funding' This was seconded by Cllr Buggiey and carried with a 4 to 3 majority.
Action Cllr Dickinson to advise

021/058 Unity Health – Long Crendon Surgery – Cllr Branson provided the following update:
Long Crendon have formed a village committee made up of residents and Members from the Parish Council. They have been in discussions with the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The CCG initially agreed a small

surgery with a nurse, part time doctor and a dispensary.

This has opened up discussions for a health and wellbeing centre which has gained a great deal of support even at Government level with Gregg Smith (MP) exploring central funding.

Long Crendon Parish Council may also need to look at funding this by way of a Public Works Loan which provides advantageous rates.

A site off Chearsley Road has been identified but will revert back to the developer if work does not commence by December 2021.

Planning permission is being sought and Unity Health and neighbouring Parishes have been involved. The Centre would serve a wider area and could potentially host the Primary Care Network.

Cllr Branson felt all was looking quite positive so far.

Cllr Dickinson thanked Cllr Branson for the update.

021/059 **MVAS – Update – Cllr Fisher had obtained prices for enhancements to the Unit. It was decided to leave as is for now. The Clerk will try and find out if any funding for this is available from the Community Boards. Action Clerk**

021/060 *** To review the Correspondence Report**
The Walks Winter Light Trail – Update – This will not go ahead due to some reservations from local residents
Mobile coffee van – The Cllrs supported this and Clerk will advise accordingly, with a request to avoid parking in the Windmill carpark if possible.
The Walks Winter light trail - Letter of opposition – As this will not be going ahead, comments were noted but no further action is required.

021/061 *** To review the report of Outstanding Parish Council Issues**

021/062 *** To review the report of Repairs, Defects and Queries – Clerk to chase barrier repairs of Tram Hill**

021/063 **Requests and Permissions – Access to school via reception gate. This has denied by the land owner with effect from the 9th April 2021. The school are aware of the situation.**

021/064 **Report on meetings attended by Councillors – None**

021/065 **Receipts and Payments**

Receipts – March

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Interest

It was proposed by Cllr Hamilton and seconded by Cllr Newman that the following payments be approved. Carried unanimously.

Payments – March

R Timms

100.00 Emptying Playing
Field/Windmill Bins

R Timms

15.00 Walks gate repair

BT

54.52 Telephone charges

N Power	88.95	Street Lighting
Lesley Shaw	636.50	Clerk salary
Aspire	480.00	Grass Cutting March
B.C.C.	29.50	Commercial waste
Mark Dickinson	14.39	Zoom
Provision lighting	408.48	Programmable lantern
S Frewin	30.00	Garage rent
BMH	577.32	Hall rent (Annual Fee)