ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held on Wednesday, 23rd February 2011 at 7.00 pm
At The Village Hall, Abbots Bromley, pursuant to notice having been given

Present: Cllrs R S VJarman (Chair); R Bell, Mrs D Burrows; P J Charles; A Elkington,

Mrs L Fox, Mrs K Johns, R Mills, Mrs C Veitch,

In attendance: Mrs S Meads (Clerk),

Members of the Public Attending: 0

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105. Apologies for absence

Cllr G Hall

106. Public session

There was no public session.

107. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

108. Minutes of Previous Meetings

RESOLVED: that the minutes of meeting held on 26th January 2011 should be signed as a true and correct record with the following amendments:-

Minute Ref 100 i. 1st para 3rd line "recent" not "resent" Minute Ref 100 i 2nd para 3rd line "cover" not "cove" Minute Ref 100 i. 3rd para 3rd line "undertaken" not "untaken" Minute Ref 100 iii 1st para 4th line "employ" not "employee"

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109. Matters of Report

i. Parish Surgery

Cllr P Charles reported that the following items were mentioned at the parish surgery:-

The need for grit bins on Friary Avenue and Padget Rise

Dog fouling was still an issue in the village

A complaint was received regarding mud on the road by Goblin's Garden **RESOLVED**: that an article would be going in to the next Bulletin which would announce the latest grit bins to be installed and these included bins for Padget Rise and Friary Avenue. Another article regarding dog fouling would be prepared to also include the mention of the dog warden. The clerk would contact Highways to ascertain if any work could be done to improve the road by Goblin's Garden.

ii. Grit Bins

Cllr R Jarman and the clerk provided an update on discussions that had been taking place with Highways regarding grit bins and gritting of the roads in the winter. The council was informed that it may be possible to have a supply of brine that can be sprayed on to the pavements to help keep them clear of snow and ice. Volunteers would be needed to do this in the winter.

iii. Highways/Footpaths

The clerk informed the council that much of the work booked to repair pot holes had now taken place, however, Goose Lane would be done in the near future as a machine was need to do the job.

Cllr R Jarman reported that he had received some complaints from residents regarding parking on the main High Street near to Hall Hill Lane and that this was now dangerous.

RESOLVED: that Cllr Jarman would speak to the police about parking in this area

Cllr Elkington reported that a builders' lorry was parking near to the footpath on Ashbrook Lane and making a mess of the path.

RESOLVED: that Cllr Elkington should liaise with the occupants at the house where the builders are working to ask if they could refrain from parking there.

iv. Post Box

The clerk reported that Cllr Hall had informed her that a new large post box would be located outside the post office in the future. Cllr Hall is currently investing whether the smaller post box can be relocated to another part of the village.

110. Planning

i. Applications

712 - P/2011/00113/EW: Garage at School House Lane, Abbots Bromley,

Staffordshire, WS15 3BT: Erection of a detached dwelling

Received: 14/02/11 Due: 07/03/11 Council Response : No Objections

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713 - P/2011/00118/CEH: Market Place Garage, Market Place, Abbots Bromley,

Staffs, WS15 3BP: Erection of a detached dwelling

Received: 18/02/11 Due: 11/03/11 Council Response : No Objections

RESOLVED: that the clerk would feedback the above responses.

Decisions

Agreed

703 - P/2010/01325/EW: Stanley House, Uttoxeter Road, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3EQ: Erection of a part two storey, part single storey side extension and conservatory.

709 - P/2010/01357/JI: Heatley Bank Farm, Heatley, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3EN: Conversion of existing barn to form dependent relative accommodation.

711 - P/2011/00018/EW: Sunnyside Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bromley Hurst, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3AD: Erection of an extension to an existing agricultural building for the storage of machinery and fodder

111. Financial Matters

i. Payments to be made

B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting						
Vch/Chq	Payee	Amount	Details	Powers		
179/1196	Mrs S Meads	373.41	Salary & taxable expenses	LGA 1972 s. 112(2)		
178/1197	Mrs S Meads	11.80	Non taxable expenses			
			(stationary and postage)			
179/1198	Steve Manning	80.75	Work to clock tower			
	Electrical		spotlights			
180/1199	Society of Local	102.00	Joining Fee and Year's			
	Council Clerks		Subscription			
181/1200	Mr G McCulloch	120.00	MG & Nuttery work			
	TOTAL	687.76				

RESOLVED: that the above payments were approved.

C Record	l of payments received		
Date	From	Amount	Details
26/01/11	Abbots Bromley WI	150.00	Donation towards village bench
24/01/11	ESBC – RISES	419.62	East Staffs Borough Council Recycling money
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ii. Finance Report to 31st January 2011

RESOLVED: that the contents of the finance report to 31st January 2011 be noted and signed by the chairman. Proposed Cllr P Charles, seconded Cllr Mrs Burrows.

112. Group Reports

i. Recreation

Football Pitches

The clerk reported that work would commence in March on the football pitch, the refixing of the dugout and the relocation of the memorial bench.

RESOLVED: that the clerk would contact Mr and Mrs Thorndyke to check that they were happy with the proposal to move the bench..

Youth Club:

Cllr Mrs Johns reported that forty children attended the recent disco and the club was still very well attended. A go-karting trip was planned for May.

ii. Village Property

The clerk reported that an initial quotation had been received for the painting of The Nuttery which was a total cost of £650.00, however, further quotes were currently being chased.

RESOLVED: that the clerk should wait until additional quotations had been received and then select most appropriate supplier for the job with an upper limit on cost of £660.00.

iii Traffic, Parking & Highways

Cllr R Jarman reported that Richard Rayson from Highways had clarified the situation regarding 20mph zones outside school. He confirmed that the zones are currently operating as a County Council funded initiative and therefore generally operate outside state funded school and not private schools. Richard Rayson confirmed that he would put this comments in an email so that these could be forwarded to Mark Fisher at Abbots Bromley Girls School.

iv. Richard Clarke First School

The Clerk reported that The Fun Run would take place again this year on 27th March 2011.

v. Competitions

Cllr R Mills reported that a sweeping session would take place on 16th April. Information on this would be included in the next Bulletin. The clerk reported on information she had received regarding flower boxes that could be put by the village signs. These could be supplied and maintained at a cost of £165.00 per box.

RESOLVED: that the clerk should go ahead and book these as they will help to make the village look it's best for the BKV competition.

Cllr R Mills reminded councillors that the posters would be available to judge at next month's meeting.

RESOLVED: that posters would be judged at 6.30pm on Wednesday, 30th March.

vi. Newsletter

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The newsletter was discussed

RESOLVED: that the newsletter would be distributed week commencing 14th March.

Signed _____

vii. RISES

Cllr Mrs L Fox reported that the latest RISES payment had been received for £412.00 **RESOLVED:** that the Clerk should purchase a bench to be located at the Nuttery playground.

viii. Village Hall

The clerk reported that she had received notice that the Village Hall AGM would take place on 13th April.

ix. Millennium Green

Nothing to Report

113. Correspondence, bulletins and reports

Letter from M Fabricant MP regarding the Wind Farm – not further action The Great Poppy Park – Cllr R Jarman requested that he keep the information

114. Annual Parish Meeting 2011

It was confirmed that the meeting would start at 7.00pm. As the youth club would be contributing and need to use the Marcia Rice room then the main meeting would also take place in this room. It was proposed that recipients for the Jubilee Cup this year would be Mr and Mrs Knipe.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs C Veitch

Seconded by Cllr Mrs L Fox

RESOLVED: that Cllr Mrs Veitch would contact Mr and Mrs Knipe to ensure that they were happy to receive the cup.

115. The Election

RESOLVED: that notices would be put on the notice boards to encourage people to stand for election.

116. Agenda Items for the next meeting:-

The Election The Parish Assembly

117. Date, time and place of future meetings Parish Assembly, Wednesday, 20 th April 2011, 7.00pm – Village Hall April Parish Council Meeting, Wednesday, 27 th April 2011 – Village Hall.						
There being no other business the chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.10pm						
Signed		Date	30 th March 2011			
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