

ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held on Wednesday 25th July 2012 at 7.00 pm
At the Village Hall, Abbots Bromley, pursuant to notice having been given

Present: Cllr R Bell (Chair), P Charles; R Jarman; Mrs K Johns; R Mills
Mrs M Moore, E Roy

In attendance: Mrs S Meads (Clerk),

Members of the Public Attending:

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90. Apologies for absence

Were received from Cllrs Mrs D Burrows and C Cook

91. Public session

None

92. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

93. Minutes of Previous Meetings

RESOLVED: *that the minutes of meeting held on 25th July 2012 be approved with two amendments.*

94. Matters of Report

i. Mini Bus

The clerk updated the council on the mini bus and how it can be booked by village organisations.

ii. Field Behind the Village Hall

It was reported that all grant requests for the purchase of the field had now been submitted.

iii. Narrow Lane

The clerk reported that a request had been made via the Neighbourhood Forum for work to be carried out on Narrow Lane using a group of volunteers. This was discussed and councillors suggested that the footpath from Ashbrook Lane to Hillside was in need of clearing so could this be considered. It was also suggested that the drains on Narrow Lane needed clearing.

RESOLVED: *that the clerk contact ESBC Neighbourhood Forum representative to discuss work to footpaths.*

95. Planning

Applications

790 - P/2012/00701: Barn Farm, Abbots Bromley Road, Bromley Wood, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3BB: Erection of a single storey rear and side extension to form granny annexe

Received: 27/06/12 Due: 18/07/12 Response : No Objections

Decisions

Agreed

776 - P/2012/00417/SS: Bromley Park Farm, Bromley Wood Lanes, Bromley Wood, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3AJ: Erection of a replacement livestock building

783 - P/2012/00558/JPM: Coach and Horses, High Street, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3BN: Internal alternations to the ground floor of existing public house to include removing sections of wall to kitchen and dining area, block up existing openings, insertion of double swing doors and partition of kitchen.

785 - P/2012/00634: Land at Moors Farm, Radmore Lane, Abbots Bromley, Staffs, WS15 3AN: Erection of an agricultural building for the housing of livestock and storage.

786 - P/2012/00644: Butterton House, Lichfield Road, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DL: Erection of a single storey rear extension and installation of 2 new roof lights to existing kitchen.

787 - P/2012/00703: 53 Seedcroft Lane, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DS: Installation of an air source heat pump

788 - P/2012/00641/EW: 1 Church Lane, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DD: Erection of a single storey rear extension and replacement pitched roof front dormer window

96. Financial Matters**B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting**

| <i>Vch/Chq</i> | <i>Payee</i> | <i>Amount</i> | <i>Details</i> | <i>Powers</i> |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 107/1321 | Mrs S Meads | 386.08 | Salary & taxable expenses | LGA 1972 s. 112(2) |
| 108/1322 | Mrs S Meads | 248.55 | Non taxable expenses | |
| 109/1323 | Reprotec | 10.31 | Photocopier costs | |
| 110/1324 | Mr G McCulloch | 440.00 | Grasscutting &Highways work | Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 |
| | | <u>1084.94</u> | | |

RESOLVED : that the above payments be approved.

iii. Finance Report to 30th June 2012

The clerk presented the finance report to 30th June 2012

RESOLVED: that the financial report be approved

97. Group Reports**i. Recreation**

The Clerk reported on the recent health & safety inspection that had been carried out on both playground. No medium or high risks had been identified. Low risks were reported which included levelling of the woodchip at Millennium Green, cleaning of play equipment at the Nuttery and also clearing of moss and leaves at the Nuttery.

RESOLVED: that G McCulloch be asked to carry out the necessary works required. Proposed by Cllr Roy, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moore.

ii. Village Property

The Clerk reported that she now had the property badges in store. Cllr Charles kindly offered to put these badges on the village property.

iii Traffic, Parking & Highways

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Highways to ascertain progress on all highways issues. The feedback that had been received was that these were still on the list to be done. Cllr Roy reported that at a recent Parish Surgery a resident of Waters Lane had reported that the drains had recently been cleared in this area, however, concern was expressed regarding the overgrowth in the passing places on Seedcroft Lane. It was also reported that the white lines at the triangle on Port Lane were no longer visible.

RESOLVED : that the clerk would report these issues to the Highways Department.

iv. Richard Clarke First School

Nothing to report

v. Competitions

It was reported that the Best Kept Village would be announced on 6th August.

vi. Newsletter

RESOLVED: that the next issue of the newsletter would be published in October.

98. Correspondence, bulletins and reports

The Clerk reported that a letter and diversion order in respect of footpath No 32 had been received.

RESOLVED: *that the Clerk should write to the County Council to say that the Parish Council objected to diversion of the footpath as currently the footpath is easily accessible to people of all abilities, however, the new route was longer and less accessible.*

99. Standing Orders & Code of Conduct

Cllr R Jarman highlighted that there was an error in the Standing Orders as the way in which planning applications were dealt with had now changed.

RESOLVED: *that the Parish Council adopts the Code of Conduct and holds over the Standing Orders to the September meeting by which time the amendment will have been made. Proposed by Cllr E Roy, seconded by Cllr R Bell. All members voted in favour.*

100. Review of Grass Cutting Contract

The clerk reported that the grass cutting contract was due to go to re-tender this year.

RESOLVED : *that the opportunity to tender be advertised with the work split in to two parcels of land.*

101. Horn Dance

The clerk and Cllr P Charles agreed to despatch more of the Horn Dance leaflets to tourist offices and businesses within the area.

102. 2013 Meeting Dates

The clerk notified the council that the AGM in May 2013 would clash with holidays that she had already booked.

RESOLVED: *that the AGM be scheduled earlier on 15th May with the Parish Assembly a week prior to this on 8th May 2013.*

103. Agenda Items for the next meeting

Revision of Standing Orders
Review of Horn Dance
Parish Surgery Report

104. Date, time and place of future meetings

September Parish Council Meeting, 7.00pm Wed 26th September 2012 – Village Hall

There being no other business the chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed _____

Date 26th September 2012