

Church with Chapel Brampton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20th September 2018 in The Bramptons Primary School at 7.30pm.

Record of Attendance and Apologies

Attendees

Mr. S Crane

Mr. R Green (Vice Chairman)

Mr. D Shawyer

Mr. R Gent

Mr M Macmain

Mrs. J Slinn (Chairman)

In attendance – R Warne – Clerk

Parishioners – 0

Apologies for absence:

Apology received and accepted from Councillor A Hill (previous engagement) and Councillor W Shearer (previous engagement)

18/126 *Declaration of Interest:* None

18/127 *Co-option of Councillor and election of Vice Chairman*

Co-option of Councillor: Mr. S Walsh was Co-opted as a Parish Councillor on a proposition by Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor Shawyer and all Councillors in agreement

Election of Vice Chairman: Councillor Green was elected as Vice Chairman on a proposition by Councillor Slinn, seconded by Councillor Macmain and all Councillors in agreement

18/128 *Meeting adjourned for comments/questions from parishioners:* None

18/129 *Minutes of the meeting held on 19th July 2018 and Planning Meeting 5th August 2018*

The Minutes of the meeting 19th July 2018 and Planning Meeting 5th August were agreed to be a true record on proposition by Councillor Macmain, seconded by Councillor Gent and all Councillors in agreement and were signed by the Chairman

18/130 *Matters Arising and Outstanding Issues:*

18/131 *Playing field and Pocket park*

Playing Field report – Councillor Macmain has forwarded the monthly report to the Clerk. A request has been received from residents of Great Close for the car park gates to be open at the weekends whilst works are being undertaken by Highways and this was agreed. Councillor Macmain requested the assistance of another Councillor to inspect the trees and Councillor Crane agreed to assist

Pocket Park – With the resignation of Phil Stansfield there is a need for a Councillor to oversee the Pocket Park and Councillor Crane agreed to undertake these duties. Clerk was requested to write to Althorpe to gain clarification of when the current lease ends.

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18/132 *Highways*

1. **Mobile VAS sign** – Councillor Slinn and Councillor Macmain continue to move the VAS sign locations on a regular basis and sign is currently situated on Harlestone Road. The cost of purchasing the additional batteries was discussed and it was agreed not to proceed with this
2. **Zebra Crossing** – In depth discussions took place and Councillor Macmain proposed that the Parish Council fund the feasibility study at a cost of £1700.00 plus VAT, this was seconded by Councillor Slinn and all Councillors in agreement. Clerk to contact NCC to ask for this to proceed
3. **Sandy Lane** – Councillor Green advised that he has reported an inadequate repair to a pot hole and he will continue to deal with this
4. **Overweight vehicles** – Discussions took place regarding overweight vehicles in the village and it was agreed that the Clerk would write to Ian Boyes about the improvement to the HGV and 30MPH signs. Councillor Gent advised that he has data which shows which companies are ignoring these signs and how often they are doing this and it was agreed that this information would be shared with Councillors. Councillor Gent also advised that this is one of the focus points for the PCSO
5. **The Holt and Sedebrook Hall** – There have been complaints about the amount of litter outside these businesses and Clerk to write to ask if their groundsmen could do a litter pick on a regular basis
6. **Flashing give way sign** – Councillor Macmain requested that the Clerk write to NCC Ian Boyes to request a flashing give way sign identical to the one which has recently been installed in Pytchley

18/133 *Verges / Footpaths / Village Matters*

- **Neighbourhood Watch** – Councillor Gent provided an update and advised that PC Hutchins is looking to hold a crime prevention event for residents and Councillors to look at possible dates. A meeting is to be held on Monday 29th October for residents to meet their new PCSO (Paul Miller) and to give them a chance to discuss their specific concerns with him. Details of this event will be in the Newsletter.
It was agreed that PCSO Miller needs to be visible and that a walkabout with Councillors will be beneficial.
Councillor Gent advised that there is an emails system for residents and other forms of communications and he would like to see more residents, especially from Chapel Brampton, to join and get involved.
Councillor Macmain raised his concerns about crimes being logged under CCB when not within the villages. Councillor Gent advised that this is something he is aware of and is in discussions with Police
- **Car park extension** – Councillor Macmain provided an update. Objections have been raised and one condition would be for the car park to be locked every night and is hopeful that the application will be approved if the conditions are met. Discussion then took place regarding the need to extend the car park and it was agreed that further discussion and a final decision will be made at the October meeting
- **To discuss quote from Coeval for spare battery box supply for VAS sign** – Councillors agreed not to proceed with purchasing spare batteries
- **Bus stopping and bus stops on the A5199** – Councillor Macmain advised that the bus was stopping on the crossroads but this seems to have been resolved. Clerk to contact NCC to request that the two bus stops signs are replaced. Councillors discussed the bus service and the funding of a service after April 2019 and it was agreed that an article will be placed in the Newsletter to find out how many residents use the bus service.
- **Althorp hedge on A5199** – Councillor Macmain advised that the hedges on Welford Road need to be cut back and that the streetlight is being obscured by vegetation. Clerk to email Althorp Estates to ask for this work to be undertaken. It was also noted at this time that the Parish Council felt that the hedges at Ten Cottages need to be cut back further and Clerk will email Althorp about this

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- **Trees in the village** – It was agreed that Councillor Crane and Councillor Macmain will do a survey of all the trees within the Parish to ensure Parish Council have an updated list
- **Village PCSO** – This item was discussed during Neighbourhood Watch

- **Buckton Fields** – Clerk to contact DDC to advise no amended plans were received and to get them to investigate why
- **Damaged Streetlight** – Councillor Macmain advised that he has reported the damaged streetlight outside 28 Great Close
- **2 Hamilton Court** – Clerk to chase a response from DDC regarding the hedge removal
- **Neighbourhood Plan** – It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate the procedure and cost on behalf of the Parish Council

18/134 Administration

- **Church Tower Fund** – A request has been received for donations towards the fund. Councillor Slinn proposed that the £350.00 Chapel money is used as a donation, this was seconded by Councillor Green and a majority of Councillors were in agreement
- **To agree the signing of the new streetlight project completion certificate** – Councillor Macmain advised that the new light is not working and Clerk to contact Balfour Beatty
- **PCSO payments** – It was agreed that cheques would be raised, however, will not be paid until invoices have been received.
- **Website – uploading of documentation** – It was agreed that the Clerk would take over the running of the website and that she monitor the time taken to undertake this additional duty

18/135 Bank Reconciliation & Budget for month of August 2018

Bank Reconciliation and Budget were agreed as true record

It was agreed that the sum of £1500.00 would be moved from verges to playing field

Bank Reconciliation August 2018	
Current Account	£ 13290.53
Deposit Account	£46174.94
Cheques not Presented	£410.00
Payment on bank statement from 17/18	+£96.25
Balance	£59151.72

18/136 Accounts for Payment

The Council agreed that all invoices should be paid

	Net	VAT	Total	Cheque No
	£	£	£	
Northamptonshire Police - PCSO	551.54	-	551.54	1971
Clerk's salary – September 2018 and backdated pay	-	-	-	1972
HMR&C – PAYE	-	-	-	-
Church Brampton Litter Picker – September 18	27.50	-	27.50	1974
Chapel Brampton Litter Picker – September 18	27.50	-	27.50	1975
Bridleway Litter Picker – September 18	13.75	-	13.75	1976
Bridleway Litter Picker – September 2018	13.75	-	13.75	1977
P Warden – grass cutting	527.00	105.40	632.50	1978
Northamptonshire Police - PCSO	3309.24	-	3309.24	1979
PPC CCB – donation to tower fund	350.00	-	350.00	1981
B Osborne – payroll services	63.00	-	63.00	1982

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18/137 Money Received

Interest – July 2018 - £1.77

August 2018 - £1.96

18/138 ***Applications for Consideration:*** None

It is noted that a new application has been received and it was agreed that a planning meeting will be held on Saturday 6th October 2018. Clerk to prepare the agenda.

18/139 ***Planning Applications Comments***

Approved – DA/2018/0520 – construction of lean-to building at Northamptonshire County Golf Club, Golf Lane, Church Brampton

Approved – DA/2018/0422 – conversion of existing barn and extensions to link to existing dwelling to form additional living accommodation at Meadow View, Pitsford Road, Chapel Brampton

18/140 ***Correspondence:***

- Letter from Northampton Steam Railway Ltd – Transport and works order - noted
- DDC – capital grant funding – now open to Parish Council applications – Councillor Macmain will look at capital funding for the extension to the carpark
- DDC – letter from M Venton to resident regarding TPO - noted
- Letter from Chris Heaton Harris – Following discussions it was agreed that Councillor Slinn would invite Chris Heaton-Harris to a village coffee morning

To be circulated –

- Clerks and Councils Direct

Next Meeting 18th October 2018

Meeting dates for 2018

November 15th

December – no meeting