BRANDON AND BRETFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18th March 2013 at Bretford Village Hall

Attendance:
Councillors: Graham Wale, Chairman, Phil Wilson, Lizz Clarke (Clerk) PCSO Ken Wyer & PCSO Julia Green.

The Parish Council meeting was postponed until Monday 25th March 2013.

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25th March 2013 at Bretford Village Hall.

Attendance:
Councillors: Graham Wale – Chairman, Phil Wilson, Pete Wilson, Michael Rayns, Cllr Heather Timms
Lizz Clarke (Clerk)

746-1 Apologies
Apologies received from Cllr Joy Stanton

746-2 Declarations of Interest
Cllr G Wale declared an interest on Item 12 – Grass cutting

746-3 Questions from the Public
No members attended

746-4 Approve minutes of the last meeting
Minutes of the previous meeting 21st January 2013 were approved and signed.

746-5 Matters arising from the last meeting
Questions were raised over the replacement lights in “The Close” which were replaced wk commencing 18th March.

746-6 Received
1. Email. WALC re Community right to Challenge, Community right to nominate & bid for assets of community value, LAIS 1347 Community Infrastructure & LAIS 1348 Streamlining Planning Apps
2. Rural Services Network, Digest 4/2, Rural Opportunities bulletin
3. Rural Services Network Digest 11/2
4. Conformation of Lorry Speed Response for consultation
5. NALC putting communities first
6. Dale Aston, minutes of last meeting (Forwarded by email) next meeting 29th May 12pm.
7. WALC Newsletter 104-7-2013
8. CCNews – Charity Commissioners news issue 41
9. Rural Services Network Digest 18/2
10. CSW Broadband Update
11. Cllr Howard Roberts – elections to remain the same, not to be condensed to save money
12. Notification of works to be carried out on A45 Oxford Rd – Ryton Roundabout 4th to 22nd March
13. Rugby Branch WALC Meeting
14. Rural Services Network Digest 25/2
15. Sarah Butler Provisions of food by Social organisations in village halls
16. Sarah Butler – Earl Craven 21/3
17. Review of Concessionary bus passes
18. WALC Notice of resignation of NALC Chief Exec
19. Rural Services Network Digest 4/3
20. Resurfacing A46-M69 11th to 29th March

Chairman’s Signature & Date..................................................................................................

Not confirmed unless signed
21. WALC Section 137 now £6.98/elector
22. Rural Services Network Digest 11/3
23. Info flyer from Queensbury Shelters
24. Earl Craven Agenda for 21/3

746-7 Accounts
Clerks Wages Feb 13 ........................................... 100.08
H Toone & Son (Mole Catcher) ......................... 240.00
Duncan Dearden (Hedge Trimming) ................. 150.00
Ashlawn Gardening Service Main St .................. 825.00
Ashlawn Garden Services Station Rd, The Mount .. 850.00
Eon Maintenance (034527) .................. 318.38

Bank Reconciliation as of 18.03.13
Cash Book BBF ........................................... 28,532.72
Plus Receipts ........................................... 26,679.51
Less Payments ........................................... 27,063.51
Balance as of 18.03.13 .................................. 28,916.53
Bank Statement from 27.02.13 ......................... 31,199.99
Less Un-presented Cheques above .............. 2,383.38
Bank Balanced ........................................... 28,916.53

746-8 Traffic & Highways
Cllr Rayns queried the flashing sign as he believed it was not as yet connected, and also the timetable/scale of the work to be completed at the cross roads.
Cllr Rayns reported numerous lorries that have been unable to make it round the bend at the bottom of Brandon, ending up reversing to the green, and subsequently driving over the green on both sides of the road causing deep ruts and also damage to the “furniture” on the green.
Cllr Rayns had contacted Carol Burrows, suggesting signs were placed to warn lorries of problem, the communication further into the highways department, who said that there was not anything they could do about it.

Cllr Timms Updates the council on her arrival (6.50pm) that the flashing sign is now working and also regarding the lorries there was no solution to the problem and it was predominantly foreign drivers. She had pursued it through highways and there was not any solution to this problem. The cross roads on Main Street improvements is going ahead but as yet no time line has been set.

It was agreed that the post constantly being knocked down is to be removed from the village green, and when the weather conditions and ground conditions improve the green will be reinstated.

746-9 Planning
1. R12/1724 & R13/0065 Permission
2. R13/0328 Three Dwellings a Grange Farm, Brandon
   The plans for Grange farm were viewed and no comments were returned for this applications.
Concerns were raised on Bryants Farm, where it was believed the conditions of the planning application were not being adhered to. Clerk to write and ask reinforcement officer to look at the site.

746-10 **Street Lighting**
These had been updated in the Close, bill pending.

746-11 **Website & Notice Boards**
The clerk reported that the notice board in Brandon was getting dangerous as the door was unsecure. Quotes had been obtained for new notice boards, but it was felt at this time to try and either repair the notice Board or for the interim take the door off the board for safety. Quotes to be obtained for boards without doors for next meeting.

Quotes were obtained for a Parish Council Website and it was agreed to start with the Parish council would go ahead with the free website to see how it goes. Clerk to sort.

Grit Bins had also been discussed after a request from residents in “The Close” – quotes had been obtained and it was agreed for Tudor Environmental to supply a small grit bin and a decision on suitable location to be made once purchased.

746-12 **Any other Business**
Cllr Timms reported that there had been three incidences in the village including burglary & prowling.
Cllr Phil Wilson reported that the Brandon ladies were holding their Skittles evening the first Saturday in May – Notices up in the village.
Cllr G Wale reported that there had been substantial work done around the village field and to hedgerows round the village. It was agreed where necessary post & rail fencing would be installed as a safety precaution near roads and where necessary new hedgerows would be planted. Indigenous shrubs/trees would be purchased in a budget of under £300.
Mr Taylor had donated £100 for the wood that he had taken from the village field which will go towards this cost.
Cllr G Wale reported a meeting held with Mr C & Mr J Channing, Marina Kirchem (WCC footpaths) and Cllr G Wale to discuss work to local bridle & footpaths. A proposal was put to WCC re work that needed to be carried out and will finance what is required providing that Messrs Channing help out and provide some of the labour along with the footpaths group.

Date of next meeting:
Monday 13th May 2013 6.30pm

Meeting was closed at 7.50pm