



Brean Parish Council

Clerk to the Council Hazel Brinton, 35 Hannah Drive, Locking, Weston s Mare BS24 7JS

Minutes of the Brean Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1st July 2019

Present

Chairman Cllr T Hicks
Councillors J Augustus, T Legg and P Wright
Clerk to the Council Hazel Brinton

There were five members of the public in attendance.

The Chairman opened the meeting by thanking all of the residents who had attended meetings with the himself and other councillors to discuss the possibility of joining the council. He believed that all of the applicants would add value to the council which would now discuss to see who would be the best fit. All candidates would be written to after the meeting regarding co---option to the parish council or Village Hall Committee.

40/19 Apologies

Apologies from Cllr Chatterton and County Cllr Filmer

41/19 Declaration of Interests

No declarations of interest were received.

42/19 Approval of draft minutes

The draft minutes of the meeting dated Wednesday 12th June 2019 were approved by council and signed by the Chairman.

43/19 To respond to members of the public

A resident queried whether a speed camera could be used in the village to deter those who speed through it. He felt a camera or a traffic management sign should be installed. Another resident raised the matter of broken posts on the beach.

44/19 Discussion of matters arising from previous minutes

- Fencing at Old Rectory – Cllr Grimes reported that the matter was still being pursued by County Cllr Filmer with SCC Highways
- No parking sign opposite former Post Office – Cllr Legg provided an update
- Autowatch – the clerk would send further information when she had it
- VE Day – nothing further to report as yet

45/19 To note progress with on-going planning application and applications for premises licences –

- 06/19/00002/LE – extension and alteration to existing garage at Church Road - granted permission

46/19 To review new Planning Applications and Licensing Act Premises Licences for consideration

Signed by Chairman.....

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- **06/19/00003/DRT:** Erection of detached dwelling and garage partly on site of adjoining garage to be demolished. Cllr Wright and Chatterton had visited the site and noted that the application was a sympathetic extension with no visibility and no neighbour issues with privacy screening part of the application. It was resolved unanimously to support the application.

47/19 Reports on beach management

Cllr Wright reported that the previous Chairman was still very much involved in helping the parish council manage the beach. Residents parking permits could still be obtained at Warren Farm Reception. He noted that filming and photoshoots were becoming more popular. Cllr Legg asked whether the parish council had received any feedback from the film company. The clerk replied that the parish council had been thanked for facilitating the filming.

It had been reported that the water sampling points along the coastline would be reduced from three to one but that there was no evidence to support this. Cllr Wright reported that the signs on the beach were compliant with the relevant legislation.

48/19 To consider matters of interest to the Village

- **Toilet block** – the Chairman reported that the disabled toilet was due to be re-opened after refurbishment and that it was now also a unisex toilet. No firm decision had been taken in respect of the future of the toilet block and local companies may be asked to sponsor it instead of it being turned into a kiosk.
- **Village Hall** – Cllr Augustus reported that the handover was now complete and that he was working on increasing the bookings with a possible Berrow and Brean Residents Association booking and a Wednesday coffee morning. Steady progress is being made and outstanding maintenance issues were due to be addressed.
- **Brean Land Yacht Club** – the clerk was asked to send a request for an update to the club (email subsequently received from the club informing that insurance had now agreed to pay for rebuild).

49/19 Approval of cheques and direct debits for the current month's expenditure – council unanimously agreed to approve the cheques, online payments and direct debits as presented by the clerk. The clerk added one payment from Wessex Water to the list sent to councillors. The clerk was asked to send a list of amounts per size of advert for the bus shelters.

A discussion was held on next steps regarding the beach vehicle as it was coming to the end of its useful economic life.

50/19 Financial matters

Members received and noted the bank reconciliations for June 2019 and the income and expenditure statement as at 30th June 2019.

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Derek Petrie as the council's internal auditor for the year ending 31st March 2020.

51/19 Other matters raised by Councillors for discussion

Cllr Augustus brought up the matter of publishing draft minutes. The Chairman explained that the council's policy had been not to publish draft minutes and it was agreed that this would continue going forwards.

District Cllr Grimes agreed that he would also chase up the matter of the fencing at the Old Rectory. He noted that there had been changes to the committees at SDC as there were lots of new councillors and that the Development Control Committee had seen changes too.

52/19 Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Monday 2nd September 2019.

53/19 To resolve that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following agenda items by reason of the confidential nature of the items of business to be transacted, in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 – it was unanimously resolved to close the meeting to members of the public and press

54/19 Co-option interviews – councillors discussed the results of the co-option interviews and the Chairman reported that the recommendation to the council in September would be that Michael Baker and Alan Noble would be invited to join the council.

There being no more business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.30.