



# Brean Parish Council

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

## **Minutes of the Brean Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020 via Zoom Virtual Meeting software**

### **Present**

Chairman Cllr T Hicks  
Councillors J Augustus, M Baker, M Chatterton, T Legg, N McCoy

Also in attendance Hazel Brinton (clerk), District Cllr Tony Grimes

### **150/20 Apologies**

County Cllr Bob Filmer

### **151/20 Co-option to the Parish Council**

It was resolved to co-opt Peter Wright to the council. The clerk would make the necessary arrangements for the signing of the declaration of acceptance of office.

### **152/20 Declaration of Interests**

The Chairman declared an interest in item 157/20.

### **153/20 Approval of minutes**

The minutes of the meetings held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November were approved as a correct record of the proceedings.

### **154/20 To respond to members of the public**

Written questions on the parking fee; provision of beach safety leaflets by the gate concessionaire; prescriptive rights; the application to Natural England for grants to fund posts and signs on the beach regarding walkways and a potential precept for Brean were asked. It was noted that the latter would be used for the running of the council not the beach.

### **155/20 To hear from the District and County councillors and the police**

District Cllr Grimes reported on the following matters at Sedgemoor District Council:

- The Chief Executive Officer, Alison Griffin would be retiring
- Full Council had agreed the submission of the Stronger Somerset case to the Secretary of State by the deadline of 9<sup>th</sup> December.

The Chairman noted the report received from County Cllr Filmer on the following matters from Somerset County Council:

- Covid 19 – Somerset is in Tier 2
- Deadline for submission of application for primary school places is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- An increase in domestic abuse during the pandemic has been experienced

Signed by Chairman.....

18<sup>th</sup> January 2021

- The One Somerset case for a unitary authority for Somerset is to be submitted to the Secretary of State by 9<sup>th</sup> December
- Climate Emergency Strategy has been given the green light to be implemented by the five Somerset councils

### 156/20 Progress with on-going planning applications and applications for premises licences

None

### 157/20 To review new planning applications and Licensing Act Premises Licences

The Chairman and District Cllr Grimes left the meeting whilst the following were discussed. Cllr Chatterton took the chair.

- **Application No: 06/20/00010** for Hudson Leisure Ltd at Lazy Days Holiday Park, South Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 2RD for replacement extract vent (part retrospective) to kitchen and covered seating area over existing rear patio.  
  
**Resolved:** to support the application the silencer and filtration system was an improvement in the current situation.
- **Application No: 06/20/00008** for Hudson Leisure Ltd at Ocean Bar, Ocean Holiday Park, South Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 for alterations to existing caravan park to include a reduction in the number of caravans from 10 to 5 for the eastern portion of the site, a revised car parking layout, associated pedestrian access and an enclosed bin store, for occupation of caravans all year round.  
  
**Resolved:** to support the application as it was an improvement with the current situation and ties in with the Local Plan
- **Application No: 06/20/00011** for Hardacre Investments Limited at Krackers Bar, South Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 2RD for the erection of a first floor extension.  
  
**Noted:** application has been deferred pending more details on the elevations proposed

The Chairman and District Cllr Grimes re-joined the meeting.

### 158/20 Beach Management Update

The Chairman thanked the beach warden for his report.

- **Resolved:** to refuse the request for fireworks for a 50<sup>th</sup> birthday party in May 2021
- **Resolved:** to agree to the filming subject to the submission of a Covid 19 risk assessment; a plan of how the area would be managed during filming and that there would be no fireworks
- It was noted a new lease was being proposed for the beach access by the landowner
- It was noted that the RNLI had completed its report on beach management for Sedgemoor District Council in respect of Burnham, Berrow and Beach and that the parish council had a copy.

**159/20 Village Matters**

- Village Hall public toilets – Cllr Baker was having a meeting with mid January with local businesses and would report back.
- Village Hall – Cllrs Chatterton and Augustus gave members an update on the hall which was still closed due to Covid-19.

**160/20 Approval of cheques, online payments and Direct Debits for the current month's expenditure**

**Resolved:** to approve the payments for the month.

**161/20 Financial matters**

- **Resolved:** to note the bank reconciliations as presented by the clerk.
- **Resolved:** to note the income and expenditure report from the clerk to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020. It was also noted that there were expenditure commitments against the current reserves which made them appear higher than in reality.
- **Resolved:** to note the conclusion of the external audit and the external auditors' report for financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

**162/20 Future agenda items**

- RNLI Health and Safety report

**163/20 Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting would be 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 19.00 (*subsequently amended to 18<sup>th</sup> January*)

**164/20 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 so resolved.

**165/20 Draft budget discussions**

A confidential discussion took place on matters relating to next year's budget.

There being no more business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:45