# **BRIXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting (AGM)
Held on Tuesday, 10 May 2011
Library/Brixworth Community Centre, Brixworth

Present: Cllrs. M Lacey (Chair), I Barratt C Bament, R Monk, Mrs E Nunn, S Pointer, M Ward and Mrs E Wiig.

In Attendance: Mrs J Macken – Parish Clerk Mr D Hymas – Member of the Public

11/1215 Apologies for Absence – Cllr Fitzgerald and Cllr Parnaby

## 11/1216 Election of Chairman

Cllr M Lacey was proposed by Cllr Bament and seconded by Cllr Nunn Cllr M Lacey was duly elected as Chairman, unopposed.

# 11/1217 Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr M Lacey signed the Declaration of Office for Chairman and continued to chair the meeting.

## 11/1218 Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr R Monk was proposed by Cllr E Wiig and seconded by Cllr Pointer Cllr R Monk was duly elected as Vice Chairman, unopposed.

#### 11/1219 Parish Council Committees

It was resolved to keep the existing four committees. Committee membership will be a maximum of twelve.

#### The Standing Committees are :-

Finance and Administration, Highways & Environment, Recreation & Amenity and Planning.

## 11/1220 Election of Chairman, Vice Chairman and committee members

## **Highways and Environment**

#### Chairman

Cllr D Parnaby was proposed by Cllr C Bament and seconded by Cllr Monk Cllr Parnaby was duly elected Chair of Highways & Environment committee

#### Vice Chairman

Cllr C Bament was proposed by Cllr E Wiig and seconded by Cllr S Pointer Cllr C Bament was duly elected Vice Chair of Highways & Environment committee.

**12 Committee Members**: Cllrs.I Barratt, C Bament (Vice Chair), M Lacey, Mrs E Nunn, D Parnaby (Chair), S Pointer, M Ward and Mrs E Wiig (four vacancies).

# **Finance and Administration**

#### Chairman

Cllr R Monk was proposed by Cllr C Bament and seconded by Cllr S Pointer Cllr R Monk was duly elected as the Chair of the Finance and administration committee

There is no Vice Chair.

The Chairman carries out the Internal Checks of the Accounts.

**12 Committee Members:** Chairman M Lacey, Vice Chair and Chair of Finance R Monk, Chair of Recreation, Chair of Planning C Bament, Chair of Highways D Parnaby. I Barratt, M Ward, Mrs J Fitzgerald, Mrs E Nunn and Mrs E Wiig. (three vacancies).

In attendance Mrs J Macken (Responsible Financial Officer).

## **Planning**

#### Chairman

Cllr C Bament was proposed by Cllr R Monk and seconded by Cllr E Nunn Cllr C Bament was duly elected as the Chair of the Planning Committee.

#### Vice Chairman

Cllr E Nunn was proposed by Cllr E Wiig and seconded by Cllr M Ward

**12 Committee Members**: Cllrs.I Barratt, C Bament (Chair), M Lacey, R Monk, Mrs E Nunn (Vice Chair), D Parnaby, S Pointer (four vacancies)

## **Recreation & Amenities Development**

#### Chairman

Cllr S Pointer was proposed by Cllr C Bament and seconded by Cllr R Monk Cllr S Pointer was duly elected as the Chair of the Recreation & Amenity committee

## Vice Chairman

Cllr J Fitzgerald to be asked whether she would like to be elected as Vice Chair.

**12 Committee Members**: Cllrs.I Barratt, Mrs J Fitzgerald, M Lacey, Mrs E Nunn (Vice Chair), D Parnaby, S Pointer (Chair), M Ward and Mrs E Wiig (four vacancies).

## 11/1221 Election of Representatives

The following representatives were duly appointed: -

**Brixworth Centre Representative** – To be appointed

**Village Hall Representative** – Cllr E Wiig

**Community Centre Representative** – Cllr Pointer and Cllr Bament (Cllr E Wiig District Cllr Rep)

Thomas Roe Charity Representatives – Cllr Monk and Cllr Pointer

Police and Police Safety Representative – Cllr Bament

**NCALC Representative** – Cllr Lacey

Parish Path Warden - Mr S Macken

Pocket Park Representative - Highways & Environment Committee

**Tree Warden** – To be appointed

Saxon Spires Patient Panel Group – Cllr Bament and Cllr Lacey

**Highways Representative** – Highways & Environment Committee

### 11/1222 Review of Adopted Policies and Procedures

It was suggested that the Council might wish to review the Equal Opportunity Policy, following recent changes in legislation. To be considered at the next Fiannce Committee meeting.

## 11/1223 Annual Review of Register of Interest Forms

Members were asked whether they would like to review their Register of Interest forms.

## **Items for Report Only**

#### 11/1224 Library/ Community Centre Buildings Meeting 12 May 2011

The Clerk reported that the next building meeting is to be held on Thursday, 12 May 2011 at 5.00pm. Cllr Pointer and Cllr E Wiig to attend.

## 11/1225 Library Plus signs

The Clerk had been asked by the County Council to pass on several suggestions for the new Library signage. Following a discussion it was agreed that the comments made in respect of the last planning application still stand.

## 11/1226 DDC Planning Session 25 May 2011

Cllr Bament agreed to attend this training session organised by the District Council.

#### 11/1227 Public Exhibition 21 May 2011

It was noted that members and the Clerk had been invited to attend the public exhibition arranged by Carter Jonas, with regards to the proposed development of 150 houses off Northampton Road, south of Froxhill Crescent. The Clerk stated that in 2009 the Council had opposed any development outside the village confines, following the SCHLAA report (call for land). Members are to remain open minded until a planning application has been received and an informed decision can be made.

The members thanked Ian for being the Chairman for the past several years.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.25pm.