

BRIXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

*Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 27 July 2010 at 7.15p.m.
in the Community Centre, Spratton Road, Brixworth*

Present: Councillors: I Barratt, C Bament, R Chattaway, Mrs A Gunnett, R Low, Mrs E Nunn, M Lacey, R Monk, S Pointer and M Ward.

In Attendance: Mrs J Macken – Parish Clerk
Sgt M Grady - Northants Police
2 members of the public

10/1073 Apologies for absence

Members apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr E Wiig and Cllr F Wiig.

Apologies had also been received from County Cllr C Millar and District Cllr N Bunting

10/1073 Declaration of Interest on Agenda Items

None

10/1074 Signing of the Minutes of the Last Meeting 29 June 2010

The minutes of the meetings held on 29 June 2010 was signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of this meeting.

*The meeting adjourned to allow members of the public to address the Council.
A note of the matters raised by members of the public are attached to the minutes.
The meeting reconvened at 7.20pm.*

10/1075 Parish Councillor Resignation

The Chairman reported that Cllr Simon Gilkes has resigned. Simon was formally thanked for his work as a Parish Councillor and in particular for his time spent on setting up the Parish Council website.

The Clerk will notify the Returning Officer at Daventry District Council and display the statutory notice. It was agreed to put a notice in the next Bulletin. The deadline for applications will be 15 October 2010 and hopefully Co-Opt at the October 2010 meeting.

10/1076 Police Representative Report

Sgt Grady reported the following : -

- 27.7.10 Theft of pedal cycle – Eastfield Road
- 18.7.10 Forced entry to factory in Ferro Fields
- 17.7.10 Theft of cigarettes from Co-op
- 15.7.10 Criminal Damage Kennel Terrace – Paint splashed on car
- 15.7.10 Scrap metal taken New Street
- 5 & 6.7.10 Shoplifting. Person arrested.
- 6.7.10 Outboards stolen from Sailing Club
- 27.6.10 Straw stack fire. Four youngsters intercepted. 18 year old charged.

Crime overall down 25% compared to this time last year. One of the Community panel's priorities set for the next three months is parking. 18 fixed penalty notices for parking on double yellow lines have been issued. Friendly warnings didn't work. A vehicle has been recently seized from a Young Person, due to inappropriate driving.

These item were brought forward to allow Sgt Grady to make any comments.

10/1077 Letter from Resident – Disturbances in All Saints Car Park

Concerns were raised with regards to young people causing a disturbance to the local residents, in vehicles gathering late at night in the church car park. The Police confirmed that the car park would be patrolled late at night. However residents are to continue to report to the Police any disturbances.

It was suggested to write to the Diocese of Peterborough, who is responsible for the church car park, to see if they would install CCTV in the area to deter any anti social behaviour.

10/1078 Speeding along Holcot Road

A resident had raised concerns with regards to the speed of traffic along the Holcot Road. Sgt Grady stated that it was a low priority and that villages with Community Speed Watch schemes have priority. However the Parish Council could fund a survey and work with the County Council. Cllr Bament stated that he had spoken to the County Council and that it would be highly unlikely that any flashing signs would be installed along this stretch of road. The Clerk suggested contacting MGWSP to see if the Florescent Warning signs could be borrowed for a period of time, as in previous years.

10/1079 County Councillors Report

Cllr Millar was unable to attend, but had reported the following information to the Clerk.

The County Council will be consulting the Parish Council on flashing signs for the A508 crossing. These will be pedestrian activated and will make motorists aware of people crossing. The scheme would cost approximately £25,000.

The Yelvertoft Wind Farm application has been approved, following the appeal. The Harrington Wind Farm's appeal has now finished. The District Council is lobbying the Government to change the current policies, where wind farms are proposed in low wind speed areas.

Planning

10/1080 Minutes of Meetings 12 July 2010

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 12 July 2010 having been previously distributed were accepted.

10/1081 Approvals and Refusals report July 2010

The following approvals and refusals were noted: -

Approvals

None

Refusals

DA/2010/0276 Rumwood, Brixworth Hall Park, Brixworth

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of two new dwellings with common access to private roadway

7.6.10 PC Objects

30.6.10 DDC Refused

DA/2010/0340 Conservation Consent Rumwood, Brixworth Hall Park, Brixworth

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7.6.10 PC Objects

30.6.10 DDC Refused

DA/2010/0422 Mr D Burston. Land at Victors Barn, Northampton Rd, Brixworth.

Certificate of lawfulness (existing) for use of land as a builders yard

7.6.10 PC No Objection

30.6.10 DDC Refused

Finance

10/1082 Income Received for June 2010

The Clerk reported the Income received for June 2010, which was as follows: -

| Received from | Details | £ |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| DDC | Contribution to utilities | 43.02 |
| Community Centre | Hall Hire | 654.19 |
| NatWest Bank | Interest Apr - June 2010 | 14.89 |
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| | | 712.10 |

10/1083 Bank Reconciliation as at 30 June 2010

The bank reconciliation as at the 30 June 2010 was reported and accepted as follows:

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|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Current Account | £22,235.16 |
| Reserve Account | £132,770.25 |
| Less Cheques outstanding | £18,111.81 |
| Balance Carried forward as at 1.07.10 | £136,893.60 |

10/1084 Income and Expenditure & Reserves Report for June 2010

The Income and Expenditure reports and reserves report were accepted and noted. The Income and Expenditure is 20% through the year, the majority of which are inline except those items, which are seasonal. Cllr Monk reminded members that there is £3,000 in the budget to be used for a project and urged Committee Chairman and Parish Councillors to consider this at their next meeting.

10/1085 Bills for Payment for July 2010

A schedule of payments, to be made in July 2010 was available to each member at the meeting.

It was resolved for the following accounts to be passed for payment; therefore the Chairman signed the schedule of payments.

Direct Debit Payments

| Payment To | Reason for Payment | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| British Gas Business | Elec. Chgs Apr -July - Changing/Rooms | 99.39 |

| Chq. No. | Payment To | Reason for Payment | £ |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 4340 | Groundsman | Groundman's Salary July 2010 | 1,074.65 |
| 4341 | Clerk | Clerk's Salary July 2010 | 1,061.15 |
| 4342 | Part time Groundsman | P/T Groundsmans wages July 2010 | 214.40 |
| 4343 | Cleaner | Cleaner Comm. Centre wages July 2010 | 255.20 |
| 4344 | Litter Picker | Litter Picker wages July 2010 | 185.60 |
| 4345 | Revenue & Customs | PAYE Tax & NI July 2010 | 775.81 |
| 4346 | NCC | Pension Contribution July 2010 | 360.80 |
| 4347 | Wicksteed Leisure Ltd | Replace worn swing seat | 48.76 |
| 4348 | Mrs J Macken | Postage | 19.44 |
| 4349 | E.ON | Street Light Elec. Chgs. April - June 2010 | 62.74 |
| 4350 | Lovell Hardware | Materials for groundsman | 21.89 |
| 4351 | Anglian Water | Com. Ctr - Water Chgs April - July 2010 | 265.64 |
| 4351 | Anglian Water | Mill Gdn Water Chgs April - July 2010 | 11.78 |
| 4351 | Anglian Water | C/Rooms Water Chgs April - July 2010 | 60.69 |
| 4352 | ESPO | Cleaning Materials - Comm Ctr | 88.63 |
| 4352 | ESPO | Shredder - Clerk | 38.78 |
| 4352 | ESPO | Secure Cabinet | 705.00 |
| 4353 | Greyhound Leisure Ltd | Remedial Work to Play Equipment - St David's Rec. | 2,326.50 |
| 4354 | Friends ofr All Saints | Donation for Flower and Produce Show | 25.00 |
| 4355 | A H Blason & Son | Fuel | 89.31 |
| | | | <u>7,791.16</u> |

10/1086 Six Month Report of Internal Check of Accounts

Cllr Monk has carried out a six-month check of the accounts and has found them to be all in order. A report is to be sent to the Clerk as a record.

Recreation and Amenities Development

10/1087 To Accept Minutes of Meeting 20 July 2010

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 20 July 2010 having been previously distributed were accepted.

Highways and Environment

10/1088 NCC Temporary Road Closure – A5199 Welford Road, Northampton

Cllr Bament reported that due to surface dressing works sections of the A5199 Welford Road will be closed on 9 August 2010.

Correspondence for discussion

10/1089 Letter from Carnival Committee – Thank You

A letter from the Carnival Committee had been received, together with a cheque for £500, which was loaned to the Carnival Committee. Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed to write and thank the Committee and in particular Mike Nice for all his hard work with organising the event.

10/1090 DDC Consultation – Adoption of Assets Policy

It was noted that the District Council is considering adopting an Adoption of Assets Policy, which could then be adopted by Town and Parish Councils if they wished. The consultation period ends on 30 July 2010.

10/1091 Local Government – Electoral Review of Daventry District Council

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England will be conducting an electoral review of Daventry District Council. The review aims to make sure that every District Councillor in each division will represent the same number of electors. The consultation period ends on 30 August 2010. The Clerk was asked for clarification on the wording used in the letter, which refers to the ‘new unitary authority’.

10/1092 Email from Frixo – Link on Parish Council Website

The Chairman reported that he had received an enquiry from Frixo enquiring whether the Parish Council would like to provides a link to their traffic reporting website. It was agreed that any links should be relevant to the Parish and therefore it was decided that this link would not be appropriate at this time.

10/1093 Autumn Newsletter

It was resolved to approve the printing of the Autumn Newsletter 2010 at a cost of £200.00, to be included in the next edition of the Bulletin.

10/1094 Correspondence for information only

The Chairman reported that there was no correspondence for circulation this month.

10/1095 Date of Next Meetings

The next Full Council Meeting is to be held on 31 August 2010 in the Community Hall, Library/Community Centre.

Urgent Matters For Report Only

10/1096 Moulton Ladies – Ashway Playing Field

The Clerk reported that Moulton Ladies FC had enquired about using the Senior pitch on the Ashway Playing Fields on Sunday afternoons, at a charge of £40.00 per match (includes use of the changing rooms and VAT).

10/1097 St David’s Recreation Ground – Secure Pole

The Chairman reported that Sue Verallo’s company had kindly donated a steel pole to replace the current broken pole, which crosses the access to St David’s Recreation Ground from St David’s Close.

10/1098 The Pound

It was reported that some of the copingstones to the wall to the Pound have been dislodged. The Clerk is to contact a builder for a quote for the repair.

10/1099 Buttercross

It was reported that a stone from the Cross-has loosened and needs re-fixing. The Clerk was asked to make the necessary arrangements.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

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Chairman

Signed as a true record of the above meeting.
Dated 31 August 2010

Matters raised by members of the public.

1. A resident referred to his email to the Council with regards to the disturbances caused by young people gathering in their vehicles late at night in the church car park.