

**Minutes**  
**of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017**  
**in the Reading Room, Great Brington at 7.45 pm**

**Present** Cllr. J. Gardner (Chairman), Cllr. J. Bateson,  
Cllr. N Banham, Cllr. K. Bright, Cllr. J. Milne.,

**In Attendance** Ann Gilbert, Clerk ,

114/16.17 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies were received and approved from Cllr. S. Norey

115/16.17 Members were requested to make any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on this agenda.

There were none

116/16.17 Members of the public are invited to address the council (3 mins per person, limited to 15 minutes

One member of the public was present and he wished to raise the issue again of the damage to Back Lane which is being caused by vehicles driving over and parking on the verges.

117/16.17 To approve and sign as correct the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, the minutes were agreed by the Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

118/16.17 Casual Vacancies on the Parish Council

The Clerk confirmed that she had received no response to notices in the newsletter notice boards and website. The Chairman asked all councillors to present to think about personal approaches to potential new councillors.

119/16.17 Planning

It was noted that the previous planning application on Shalom, Lt. Brington had been withdrawn.

It was also noted that the work to create a rear driveway to Bakers Cottage is about to begin.

120/16.17 Village Design Statement

It was noted that no meeting had been arranged and a question was raised by the member of the public about the responsibility for organising the Village Design Group. The Chairman explained that although the Parish Council has representation on the Group and has agreed to support its activities financially, the development of a Village Design Statement sits within the community and it is the responsibility of the Working Group to elect a Chair and drive the work forward.

#### 121/16.17 Highways

a C5 - Flore/Lt. Brington Crossroads

Cllr. Bateson reported that the Give Way Sign at the top of the crossroads on the Flore

side, had been accidentally demolished and would be replaced by Highways.

It was also reported that Highways had been requested to run two Traffic & Speed Counts on the C5, but they have offered to run two speed surveys on that road first and these will be arranged shortly.

b Update on issues agreed at last meeting

The Clerk confirmed that Highways have agreed to request SatNav companies to remove Back Lane for HGVs

It was also confirmed that Althorp have raised the issue of HGVs using Back Lane as a route to Grange Farm with people at Grange Farm. Althorp has also cut back growth along the verge.

A letter had been sent to the owners of Beard's Cottage asking them to instruct their contractors to take more care parking and to make good the verge and the garden wall on completion of the works, but there had been no response so a further letter will be sent as the condition of the verge is described as dreadful.

c Community Enhancement Gangs

It was agreed that the work requested would be clearing drains and addressing verges but specific sites are requested.

#### 122/16.17 BT HighSpeed Broadband

**RESOLVED** To write to Sarah Naylor at NCC again to request use of underspend to install new Cabinets in Nobottle and Little Brington.

Also to write to residents of Blacksmiths Lane to explain the position vis a vis the response from BT relating to the problems in that area and ascertain the actual nature of the problem.

**ACTION** The Clerk

#### 123/16.17 Seat at Little Brington

**RESOLVED** To remove the broken seat and replace with new

**ACTION** The Clerk

#### 124/16.17 A Parish Map

**RESOLVED** To arrange for a large map to be available in the Reading Room

**ACTION** The Clerk

#### 125/16.17 Village Tidy-Up

**RESOLVED** To support a Village Tidy Up. Cllr. K Bright to be the PC representative.

**RESOLVED** To pay to have the hedges cut at Kimbells Field if there is no alternative  
Agreed to register an interest with Daventry District Council in providing litter  
picking services providing the terms are agreeable

126/16.17 Finance

- a Statement of income & expenditure as at end January 2017 was approved
- b Noted : Following a re-issue of the street light specification which includes the six replacement PLL lanterns, a credit of £131.04 has been received from E-on.
- c. Reconciliation of bank account as detailed in the appendix to the agenda and examined by the Financial Overseer  
The Vice Chairman reported that he had reviewed the bank accounts and found them to be in order.
- d. Accounts for payment in February as detailed in the appendix to the agenda  
The Council reviewed the accounts and found them to be accurate and approved the payments

127/16.17 Date of next meeting and items for the agenda

The next meeting of the Parish Council is Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017 –  
items for the agenda to be received by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 .

**Appendices to accompany the Agenda for 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

**Appendix ref: Finance**

Opening Balance (Current Account)	669.13
Balance in Current Account YTD	562.57
Value of cheques yet to clear	1677.43
Reserve account balance YTD	12170.98
<u>Expenditure to date (exc. VAT)</u>	<u>17638.66</u>

**Bank Account Reconciliation at 31.01 17**

Date	Payee	Invoice Number	Statutory Power	Description	Cheque No	Total
28.02.17	P. Goodwin	February	S112, LGA 1972	KF Caretaker	SO	20.00
28.02.17	Mark Leyden	February	S112, LGA 1972	LBPF Caretaker	SO	20.00
28.02.17	William James	February	S112, LGA 1972	Deputy Caretaker	SO	15.00
28.02.17	HMRC	February	S112, LGA 1972	PAYE	BT	59.40
28.02.17	Ann Gilbert	February	S112, LGA 1972	Clerk's salary	SO	339.18
03.02.16	Aylesbury Mains Ltd	16990	PCA 1957 S3	Replacement St. Light 1,25,26	BT	1116.00
07.02.2017	PC World	14696058	S112, LGA 1972	MS Office software	BT	107.85

1677.43