



Briercliffe with Extwistle Parish Council

Tuesday, 22nd February 2022

Present: Councillors Adam Dack (Chair), Councillors Peter Coles, Simon Dack, Ben Eastwood, Roger Frost, Nik Higham and John Stewart.

Others: Steve Watson (Clerk), Borough Councillors Anne Kelly and Maggie Lishman, County Councillor Cosima Towneley attended later, Ann Firminger (Allotment Society), Gordon Atkinson (Contractor) plus 7 residents.

Councillor Dack opened the Parish Council Meeting and welcomed everyone.

<u>Agenda</u>	<u>Actions by Clerk</u>	<u>Cllr Support</u>
<u>Parish Council Agenda</u>		
21/22/100 Apologies for absence		
Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors Joe Green who was away and Pam Vincent who had family issues.		
RESOLVED: That the apology and reason given is accepted.		
21/22/101 Declarations of Interest / Code of Conduct		
Borough Councillor Anne Kelly declared an interest in Planning issues as she is on the Borough Planning Committee.		
21/22/102 Formally adjourn the meeting to allow for public participation		
RESOLVED: That the meeting is adjourned to allow for Public Participation.		
(a) Police Report		
The written Police report is attached.		
The Police were thanked for their report.		

(b) Public Questions				
There were no Public Questions submitted in advance.				
(c) County Council Report				
The County Councillor reported later.				
(d) Borough Council Report				
The Community Centre wish to provide a defibrillator and asked if the Council would order it, this was agreed. Billington Clerk is to be contacted about possible grants. Water is running on Talbot Drive, though no organization is willing to take responsibility so the Borough Council contractor has been on site to ascertain the problem. The County Council has been asked to clear the drains.				
There are still the usual youth nuisance issues and flooding has taken up a lot of time. The Council has been out clearing and checking trees following the storms. The fence at Lane Bottom has been temporary fixed and the Parish Contractor is to provide a quote.				
Talbot Street has been badly patched and the patches have failed.				
(e) Allotment Society				
The Allotment Society reported that an area for new raised beds has been created and the Society have been offered the use of unlimited compost. The hut will reopen once the weather improves and one taster plot is available.				
(f) Other Organisations				
There were no organisation reports.				
21/22/103	Formally reconvene the Parish Council Meeting			
RESOLVED: That the meeting is formally reconvened for Parish Council Business				
21/22/104	Finance			
1. Accounts to be approved for payment. Additional bills included.				
1.1	Clerk Salary Dec	£457.82	SO	Paid
1.2	HMRC	£114.44	001660	
1.3	Briercliffe Community Centre	£48.00	001661	
1.4	White House Garage	£159.18	001662	
RESOLVED: The bills outlined above are paid.				
2.	Income Received			
2.1	Council Owned garages			£1,610.75
2.3	Bank Interest			£0.12
3. Bank Balances				
	▪ Current a/c –			£15,485.57
	▪ Reserves a/c –			£13,934.80
	▪ Petty Cash -			£ 316.00
	▪ Garages -			£ 2,357.41

Total	£32,093.78		
RESOLVED: That the bank balances, budget monitoring report, petty cash report and bank reconciliations are noted.			
The 2022 Precept and Budget amount were confirmed. It was noted that the Landrover has been spotted outside the rural areas again.			
RESOLVED: That the budget is approved and the Precept is set at £20,000.			
The Asset Register was reviewed as the Laptop is now provided by Hapton and the Printer by Worsthorne.			
RESOLVED: That the Asset Register is approved.			
The County Councillor attended and advised of an outstanding bill for the Landrover. Recharges haven't been sent as the agreement has not been returned, this will be forwarded again. The County budget is to increase by 3.9% and the Borough is discussing budgets tomorrow. There are now County Member's grants for things around the Jubilee of £500. Tree planting is taking place most Sundays and will be at the Prairie this Sunday. The Holgate water issues are to be dealt with this week and a question raised about parking issues on King Street was passed to Cosi.			
21/22/105 Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting			
To approve, as a correct record the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 18 th January 2022.			
RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Briercliffe with Extwistle Parish Council meeting, on the 18th January 2022 are approved as a correct record.			
21/22/106 Matters outstanding from the minutes			
The date for the festival has been set as the 16 th July. The BAGS Hut will be done in private session. A question was asked about the Council providing grit for the additional bins put in with the WOF Fund, it was agreed to investigate further. It was proposed that the Council looks at providing grit for Robin House Lane and Walverden Road following a cost exercise.		Grit Costs	RF
21/22/107 Clerk's Report including Administration – for information only			
The correspondence was noted.			
21/22/108 Updates and Reports (for information only)			
Members of the Council			
The Book Stop needs planning permission, though it is owned by the Parish Council.		Planning	RF
Ideas for the Jubilee are to be submitted.		Jubilee	PV
Gas Board funding is to be investigated.		Funding	SD

3 Quotes have been received and considered for the Duke Street Project. The land is not registered and needs adding to terrier.		
RESOLVED: That the G.S.A Quote is accepted.		
A proof for the Woodland Walk information Board is needed.	Proof	RF
All materials have been ordered for the new allotments and the work is waiting on an improvement in the weather.		
Community Centre Update		
Councillor Anne Kelly reported that the Centre is back up and running, with all groups back and a new group providing indoor football for toddlers. 2 quotes have been received for the stonework. A large bill has been submitted for fire extinguisher checks and will be challenged. It has been suggested that legionnaire checks are needed for elections. All gas and electricity checks are up to date.	Bill	SD
21/22/109 To receive reports from Committees and consider the Recommendations		
2. <i>Planning Committee</i>		
The following Planning applications were considered.		
1.1.1 FUL/2021/0734 - Change of Use from Agricultural Land to a Dog Walking Meadow including 1.8m perimeter fencing, car parking area, dog play equipment and shelter. Land To The South Of Granville St, Burnley		
11.1.2 PAR/2021/0772 - Conversion of existing barn to one dwellinghouse. Higher Cockden Farm Todmorden Road Briercliffe		
There were no comments, however a letter is to be sent about the conversion.	Letter	RF
21/22/110 To receive reports from Working Groups – for information only		
1. Allotment Working group		
There were 3 new applications and the waiting list has been updated with 29 for gardens and 13 for pens.		
21/22/111 Matters identified for future consideration		
There were no matters arising.		
RESOLVED: That in view of the sensitive and confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.		
RESOLVED: Unanimously by show of hands that the BAGS Hut is asked to provide information or have the tenancy terminated.		
21/22/112 It was agreed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at the Community Center, Jubilee Street.		
The Chair thanked everyone for attending.		

BRIERCLIFFE AREA 16 th January – 14 th Feb 2022			
INCIDENTS REPORTED - 86			
NO	TYPE OF INCIDENT	LOCATION	DETAILS
0	Burglary		
0	Criminal damage		
2	Theft	Moorview Close Balderstone Lane	Bike stolen from the garden Theft of two truck batteries
5	Vehicle crime	Talbot Drive Red Spar Road Cuerdale Street New Taylor Fold Briercliffe Road	Unlocked vehicle – items taken Male trying car door Offender enters unlocked car and looks through glove box. No items taken. Offender enters unlocked car and looks through glove box. No items taken. Exhaust pipe cut off.
4	Nuisance	Gilbert Street Cross Street x2 Balderstone Lane	Isolated incident Isolated incident Van turns up with no appointment
<p>ASB has been very low this last few weeks as it shows within the figures above. Hopefully this will continue.</p> <p>The main issue is vehicle crime, there is an offender or offenders who are trying car doors, ones that have been left unlocked they are entering and taking items of value. A Lancashire talking message has been sent out and local Police response officers made aware of the issues.</p> <p>Many thanks Jody Hudson PCSO 7738.</p>			