

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at St Nicholas Church, Brockley,
at 7:00pm on 5 July 2021

1 Present

Cllrs Dr Julian Ridge (Chair), Mike Fishwick, Tessa Jarman, Dr Bryan Smith and Andy Warren (Clerk)

2 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Martin Jarvis and Karen Bailey.

3 Declarations of Interest and dispensations

No declarations of interest were made.

4 Minutes of the previous meeting – 7 June 2021

MF proposed BS seconded and it was agreed the minutes of the last meeting having been circulated previously be taken as a true and accurate record. JR signed a copy of the minutes.

5 Covid-19 Response

There was nothing new to report and with further easing of restrictions due on 19 July 2021 this item will no longer appear as an agenda item.

6 Police Report

Email report received from PCSO Kate Turner. Little to report although there is an ongoing issue with theft of catalytic converters, especially from Honda's. There is an expectation of a rise in anti-social behaviour during the summer months and school holidays but so far so good.

7 Consultations and Meetings

a) NSC consultation on Recycling and Waste Strategy – end date 18 August 2021

Link to consultation was circulated for consideration and discussed. It was resolved that TJ complete the short questionnaire on behalf of the Council. Proposed JR and seconded BS.

b) Boundary Commission for England – review of Parliamentary Constituencies – end date 2 August 2021

Link to consultation was circulated for consideration and discussed. It was resolved that, as there is no change impacting on Brockley, no comment is required.

8 Finance

a) Banking Facilities

The relevant forms prepared and to be signed by all the existing signatories to the NatWest account. Signed by JR, MF, TJ & BS with JR to visit MJ for final signature.

A cheque for £500 is required in order to open the account and this was signed.

b) Receipts and Payments

Receipts

We have received £100 Village Orderly Grant from NSC

Payments

Payments have been made as follows:-

£78.34	A Warren	Clerk's salary to end May
£19.40	HMRC for A Warren	Tax on salary
£75.00	PCAA	Subscription

Note:

£40.00	ALCA	Essential Councillor training Cllr Bailey
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This cheque remains outstanding as Cllr Bailey was unable to attend course. This has now been rebooked for 6 September 2021 and ALCA will not charge for non-attendance and cheque will be applied when due.

Payments to be authorised:-

£169.37	A Warren	Clerk's salary to end June
£42.40	HMRC for A Warren	Tax on salary
£500.00	Unity Bank	Initial Deposit

Members noted the financial report as presented by the Clerk. A full report and reconciliation was not possible as statements from NatWest were delayed this will be presented at August meeting.

It was resolved to sign the forms for transfer of banking facilities and confirm the receipts and payments. All relevant cheques signed by JR and MF.

Proposed by JR and seconded by MF

9 Highways, pavements, verges and footpaths

a) General update – highways

No outstanding issues.

b) General update – footpaths

Work on stiles has continued although no formal notification from NSC. Work is also in hand to trim paths.

10 Planning

a) Planning applications since the last meeting

No new applications received.

b) Consents, refusals and enforcement cases since the last meeting

There was nothing new to report.

c) Update on Bristol Airport appeal

The Inquiry will commence at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 20 July 2021 at Weston-super-Mare Town Hall.

11 The Queen's Green Canopy

A meeting was held at St Nicholas Church on 9 June 2021 between JR, MF and Clerk. Location for tree planting selected on the triangle outside St Nicholas Church adjacent to other trees planted on other significant dates.

At this stage details of plaque are not available and when this is published Clerk will also investigate costs to replace existing plaques as well. Once costs are clarified then the question of an approach to Bristol Airport Environmental Improvement Fund for assistance.

12 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons

Details received regarding this project but it was resolved that this is not something which the Council feel it is appropriate to pursue.

13 Open Forum for the Parish Council

- a) JR raised question of bags of rubbish dumped on Dave Ridley's land at Brockley Combe and asked that Clerk investigate whether any action was ever taken.
- b) TJ asked whether we know if the land at the "Brockley Elm triangle" is Registered Land? Clerk to investigate.

14 Next Meeting

Next meeting will be held on Monday 2 August 2021 in St Bridget's Church, Chelvey

Meeting concluded at 7.58pm.