

BROCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at St Bridget's Church, Chelvey
at 7:00pm on Monday 6 November 2023

1. Present

CLRs Dr Julian Ridge (Vice Chair – Chair for this meeting), Mike Fishwick, Emma Folkes, Dr Bryan Smith, and Andy Warren (Clerk)

2. Apologies for Absence

CLr Tessa Jarman

3. Members of the Public

None

4. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

None

5. Minutes of the previous meeting – 2 October 2023

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting, having been circulated previously, be taken as a true and accurate record. Proposed by EF and seconded by BS. Signed by JR.

6. Police Report

PCSO Nick Gough advises that there have been no issues in the last few weeks.

7. District Councillor's Report

None received as we currently have no District CLr. By Election for the Wrington Ward will be held on November 16th.

8. Consultations and Meetings

BPC's response to NSC Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) draft for consultation is to be compiled by JR. CLRs to forward any comments to him for inclusion.

9. Finance

Transactions since last meeting

Payments

Payments have been made as follows:-

27/10/2023	Andy Warren	£194.97	Salary
27/10/2023	HMRC	£46.20	Tax
27/10/2023	Julian Ridge	£399.00	Refund order of seat
30/10/2023	Dropbox	£95.88	Refund to clerk
30/10/2023	PC Magic	£20.00	PC update refund to clerk

Receipts

Receipts as follows:-

02/10/2023	Coronation Picnic	£242.00	Takings
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Payment authorised

The annual grant to St Bridget's Church towards grass cutting of £100 is to be made. The payment for St Nicholas is currently in abeyance pending revision of their grass cutting arrangements.

It was resolved to accept the Financial Repost and authorise the payment to St Bridget's. Clerk to action.

Proposed by JR and seconded by EF.

10. Highways, pavements, verges and footpaths

a) General update – highways

No update from Gregg Brake of NSC, although he has been asked for an update.

- It appears that there is some movement regarding the condition of the bus stop, wall, hedges and pavement on the A370 between Brockley and Backwell (Bristol bound). Update awaited.
- The bus stop opposite Brockley Stores has now been cleared of vegetation and pavement cleared.
- The ongoing issues with potholes was raised by EF who is to report those she is concerned about and provide Clerk with details. Clerk will also request Gregg Brake of NSC to look at issues in Brockley including St Nicholas Way which continues to be an area of concern.
- Our complaints regarding the BSIP work have been submitted and responses now received from Jo Walker, Chief Executive of NSC and also from Rob Thomson, Head of Infrastructure (BSIP) and both have been circulated. It is quite clear that, despite our concerns, there will be no change in the installation of the bus lanes on the A370 and/or the prohibited right turn into Brockley Lane. Apologies for the mistakes in communication and consultation have also been proffered.
- Although the complaint appears to have been closed, It was resolved that Clerk write to Jo Walker advising that BPC remains very upset with the outcome and feels that there was no intention of taking into account our objections and we remain concerned that there, seemingly, is no route to take this further. Proposed by EF and seconded by BS.

b) General update – footpaths

- No issues raised.

c) Public transport

- There is a survey regarding the WESTlink service and Clerk to forward link to Councillors for consideration.

11. Planning

a) Planning Applications since the last meeting for comment

None

b) Consents and refusals since the last meeting

23/P/0137/FUL The Shingles, Chelvey Batch was Approved 25/10/2023

23/P/0947/FUH & 23/P/0948/LBC Chelvey Court, Chelvey Road both withdrawn by applicant 20/10/23

Clerk updated meeting that NSC have considerable backlogs in dealing with planning matters and he has contacted them to provide updates to residents on certain cases.

12. Open forum for the Parish Council

MF raised the issue of PCAA's concerns regarding the installation of 18 Ultra-Fast Vehicle Charging Points at the Airport. The Airport is requesting this as "Permitted Development" but PCAA considers that this should go to full planning. They are asking for response from Parish Councils and It was resolved to support their stance whilst adding that we do not really have strong feelings as it is difficult to predict impact. Clerk to respond accordingly. Proposed by BS and seconded by MF.

13. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be 15 January 2024 at St Bridget's Chelvey.

Meeting concluded at 7.50 pm

Andy Warren
Clerk, Brockley Parish Council
7 November 2023