

BROCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at St Bridget's Church, Chelvey
at 7:00pm on Monday 3 March 2025

1. Present

CLRs Tessa Jarman (Chair) Dr Julian Ridge (Vice-Chair), Stephen Parsons, Dr Bryan Smith, Mike Fishwick, Andy Warren (Clerk) and District CLr Tom Daw.

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Members of the Public

None

4. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

None

5. Minutes of the previous meeting – 13 January 2025

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

6. Traffic Issues in Brockley

Our dummy policeman has, unfortunately, been stolen and we have needed to replace some of the 20s Plenty signs. More signs have now been sourced.

Following submission of our Highway Improvement Programme applications we have received a response from David Bailey of NSC that our request for speed limit on the lanes to be reduced to 40 has been added to the Stage 1 Long List for consideration. Although our request was for a lower limit this is more likely to be successful. We will await developments. A request for 20mph limit for Chelvey Batch is also being submitted.

It was also suggested that we set up a spreadsheet to record accidents and incidents on the roads of Brockley. Clerk to set this up and we will launch via, Facebook, website, WhatsApp and at the Annual Parish Meeting.

7. Planning

a) Planning Applications since the last meeting for comment

23/P/1289/FUL Land South of Chelvey Estate, Chelvey Lane
There is no objection to this application

24/P/2574/FUH Brockley Elm Farm, Brockley Lane

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Listed building consent for application **24/P/2574/FUH**

These applications do not appear to be on the NSC Planning Portal so we are therefore unable to comment. Clerk to advise NSC Planning.

24/P/1315/FUL The Stables Barn, Midgell Farm, Chelvey Road

There is no objection to this application.

b) Consents and refusals since the last meeting

None

c) Enforcement

Brockley Nurseries Development Planning Reference 20/P/2906/FUL. Comments have been received from residents regarding the work being carried out and, in particular the need to remove non-native conifers and replace with parkland. It was resolved to seek comment from NSC planners on their view of the ongoing development.

Proposed by JR and seconded by BS. Clerk to contact NSC Planning.

8. Police Report

No report received.

9. District Councillor's Report

District Cllr Tom Daw reports that he has been working on:-

- Local Plan
- Grove Farm Planning Application. This will go to Committee in March for decision.
- Bristol Airport – parking, dispensations for night flights,
- Electric Bus fleet will be operational from May.
- Drainage. NSRC are moving forward with gully and drain clearance and have 2 new machines up and running.

10. Consultations and Meetings

- **Local Plan**

Following update from District Cllr Tom Daw on the current situation TJ to coordinate response.

- **Community Governance Review 2025**

Following the launch of the review Clerk and TJ to draft an initial response. This will be subject to open discussion at the Annual Parish meeting on 23 April ahead of submission by 30 April.

11. Finance

Receipts and Payments

Payments

Payments have been made as follows:-

24/01/2025	BACS	Clerk Expenses 20s Plenty signs	£10.80
27/01/2025	BACS	Salary and tax	£280.67
29/01/2025	BACS	Shoplands	£429.00
31/01/2025	BACS	Bank Charges	£6.00
04/02/2025	BACS	Grant St Nicholas Church	£100.00
04/02/2025	BACS	Grant St Bridget's Church	£100.00
04/02/2025	BACS	JHP Ridge (Refund posts)	£12.43
25/02/2025	BACS	Clerk Expenses – Weebly	£95.03
27/02/2025	BACS	Salary and tax	£280.67
28/02/2025	BACS	Bank Charges	£6.00

It was resolved to accept and confirm the finance report. Proposed by SP and seconded by MF.

12. CIL Monies

Posts for the work at the Elm triangle have now been sourced and paid for. We have been unable to contact the intended contractor and an alternative is, therefore, to be sought. Clerk to investigate.

13. Highways, pavements, verges and footpaths

- **General Update – Highways**

In addition to the A large pot hole near the Old Hall and Chelvey Court there are more potholes on St Nicholas Way and also 3 in Chelvey Lane adjacent to the Pond Field. Clerk to report accordingly.

- **General Update – footpaths**

No updates.

- **Public Transport**

No further news on bus stops although we are aware that the BSIP team are working on this.

14. Annual Parish Meeting

The meeting will take place on Wednesday 23 April in St Bridget's Church.

No speaker has been booked but it is intended to be an open forum to cover items such as the Community Governance Review, BSIP and road safety issues.

15. Annual Litter Pick

The Annual Litter Pick will take place on Saturday 5 April 2025.

Clerk to arrange production of leaflets for distribution including advance notice of the Annual Parish Meeting.

16. Open forum for the Parish Council

- Clerk to write to owners of property on A370 where undergrowth from garden is encroaching onto bus stop.
- We have received an email from resident regarding the cast iron milepost and milestone on the A370. We have made representations in the past to NSC but no progress and this will be taken up again. Clerk to investigate.

17. Next Meeting

Next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 7 April 2025 in St Bridget's Church, Chelvey. g.

The meeting concluded at 8.40 pm.

Andy Warren
Clerk, Brockley Parish Council
04 March 2025