

BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Full Braunton Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11 March 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chamber, Chaloners Road, Braunton.

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| | <u>Present</u> | Cllrs: D Spear in the Chair, E Spear, Mrs Chesters, Shapland, Lord, Bradford, Chugg, Bennett, Bonds, de Groot and Wood. Officers: T Lovell, Parish Clerk. 3 members of the public. |
| 243/2018/19 | <u>Apologies</u> | Apologies for absence were received and approved from cllrs Bunyard and Parsons. (NC) |
| 244/2018/19 | <u>Items not on the agenda, which in the opinion of the Chairman should be brought to the attention of the Council</u> | There were none |
| 245/2018/19 | <u>Declarations of Interest</u> | Cllr Shapland declared a non Pecuniary interest in Minute Ref:251/2018/19 (a), as the applicant lives in the same street and is known to her. |
| 246/2018/19 | <u>Request for Dispensation</u> | None received. |
| 247/2018/19 | <u>Minutes</u> | a. RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 February 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record. b. RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 February 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record subject to Cllr Shapland's declaration of a non Pecuniary interest being noted prior to Minute Ref: 242/2018/19 (b). c. RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parks and Gardens Committee meeting held on 27 February 2019 be ratified and adopted by the Council. (NC) |

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| 248/2018/19 | <u>Police Representation</u> | RESOLVED: That the a. police be granted permission for Openreach to install a dedicated fibre cable on parish land for their police office at the Work Hub. b. police be granted use of the Parish Council's cleaning materials at the Work Hub. c. Council noted the February Police Newsletter. (NC) |
| 249/2018/19 | <u>Finance</u> | (a) RESOLVED: That the cheques on the schedule were approved and drawn in the total sum of £5,070.12. (b) RESOLVED: That the statement of accounts for February 2019 be deferred until the Additional Council meeting due to the Clerk being on sick leave. (NC) |
| 250/2018/19 | <u>Action Sheet</u> | RESOLVED: That the Action Sheet be noted, attached. (NC) |
| 251/2018/19 | <u>Planning</u> | The Chair in the absence of the Lead Member for Planning Cllr Bunyard, presented the planning applications to the meeting as per the attached sheet. |
| 252/2018/19 | <u>Report from Devon County Councillor</u> | The County Councillor Caroline Chugg, circulated her report prior to the meeting attached as Appendix A. Cllr Shapland requested when Devon County Council would be resurfacing the Chivenor roundabout. The surface has become very dangerous and requires urgent attention before an accident occurs. The County Cllr would report it again to the Highways department. |
| 253/2018/19 | <u>Report from North Devon District Councillors</u> | The Chair invited the district councillors to give their reports. Cllr Mrs Chesters had brought along her copy of the Joint North Devon and Torridge Local Plan 2011 – 2031. The district is charging approximately £50 per copy of the plan but she is trying to obtain a free copy for the Parish Council. North Devon Council is extremely busy at the moment this week's meeting include Brexit, Pannier Market, Full Council and an Affordable Homes seminar. North Devon Council next week will be considering the BMX Track in the parish of Heanton Punchardon. The District Council intend to deliver the project and take on the future running and maintenance of the track. |

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| 254/2018/19 | <u>Twinning Association</u> | RESOLVED: That the Council agrees to host a luncheon in the Parish Hall on Friday 31 May 2019 from 1 pm to welcome its friends from Plouescat. (NC) |
| 255/2018/19 | <u>Update Signage in the Parish Car Parks</u> | RESOLVED: That AP Signs be appointed to update the required panels on the Council's signage in its car parks to reflect the amendments in North Devon Council's Off-Street Parking Order. (NC) |
| 256/2018/19 | <u>Electric Vehicle Charge Point in Caen Street Car Park</u> | Members noted that its application to the Communities Together Fund for £5,101 to install a 7kW Dual Electric Vehicle Charge Point had been unsuccessful due to insufficient funds being available. RESOLVED: That no further action be taken regarding this project. (NC) |
| 257/2018/19 | <u>Directional Signs in the Village</u> | Cllr Shapland explained that the sign directing people to the shops in the Caen Precinct had been removed when the foul water pumping station was installed. She requested if the Council would consider reinstating the sign. RESOLVED: That the Clerk be instructed to obtain costs to reinstate the sign. (NC) |
| 258/2018/19 | <u>North Devon Christmas Market</u> | RESOLVED: That the a. North Devon Christmas Market be held in the Caen Street Car Park on Saturday 7 December 2019. b. permit holders be permitted to park in the Overflow area via the Work Hub car park. That the Council to enter into discussions with Ginger Monkey Events above arrangements to provide alternative parking for permits holders next year. (NC) |
| 259/2018/19 | <u>Request to provide an Ice-Skating Rink</u> | Council considered a request to set up an ice-skating rink in the Caen Street overflow car park from 24 November 2019 to 13 January 2020. RESOLVED: That the Council does not grant permission to set up an ice-skating rink in the overflow car park for the reasons, as follows: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would be in breach of its existing contracts with permit holders. • It would cause displacements of vehicles in the village as the permit holder would be required to find alternative parking. • It would lose approximately £2,000 in permit revenue. (NC) |

260/2018/19

**Hire of the
Recreation
Ground**

- a. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for the Dogs Trust to hire the Recreation Ground on the 23 June 2019 to hold their annual dog show.
 - b. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for Ginger Monkey Events to hire the Recreation Ground on 3 August 2019 to hold their annual Big Bash.
 - c. RESOLVED: That the Council agrees to replace the existing gate post with a removable post subject to Ginger Monkey Events paying for the works to be carried out.
 - d. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for the Rotary Clubs of Braunton to hire the Recreation Ground on Bank Holiday Monday 27 May 2019 to hold their annual village fair.
 - e. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for the Braunton Caen Rotary to hire the Recreation Ground on the 28 July 2019 to hold their annual Wheels Event.
 - f. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for Tony Ridge Inflatables to hire the Recreation Ground from 29 to 30 May 2019 and 17 to 18 August 2019 to hold their Inflatable Extravaganza.
- (NC)

261/2018/19

**Community
Shared Space**

- a. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for Mrs Broom to hire the Village Green every Tuesday from 7 May to 10 September 2019 for the purpose of charity stalls.
 - b. RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for Sandi Vass to hire the Community Shared Space on Bank Holiday Monday 6 and 27 May 2019 and every Tuesday from 7 May until the end of September 2019.
- (NC)

262/2018/19

For Information

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the Clerk and Council Direct Issue 122.

The meeting closed at 7.38 pm.

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251/2018/19. PLANNING

- (a) 66280 Listed building works to replace ground floor windows & doors at 1 Church Street, Braunton.

Applicant: Mr Roger Parsons

Comment: Recommend approval.

(NC)

Withdrawn

- 66047 Outline planning application for the development of a single open market dwelling & access (some matters reserved) at land at 2 Down Lane, Braunton. EX33 2LE.

NOTICES OF DECISION

Approvals

- 65369 Application for consent for works to trees covered by a tree preservation order in respect of crown lifting of 1 No. Monterey Pine at Southerly, Fairlynch Lane, Braunton.
- 58133 Outline application for two affordable dwellings & one open market dwelling (amended plans) (amended description) (amended site plan) at land off Whitestone Lane, Knowle, Braunton.
- 65580 Approval of details in respect of discharge of conditions 10 (access scheme) & 12 (drainage scheme) attached to planning permission 61139 (erection of 55 dwellings & associated engineering works) at land East of South Park, Braunton.

Refusal of application for certificate of lawful use or development

The property known as West Saunton Barn, Saunton, Braunton, Devon EX33 1LS.

250/2018/19.

BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL ACTION SHEET

| DATE | TOPIC | ACTION TO BE TAKEN | PROGRESS MADE |
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| May 2015 ongoing | Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) | Invite Andy Cole from North Devon Council to attend a future meeting and provide a progress report. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council agreed to support the content and data contained in the NDC Air Quality ASR 2017 and 2018 (Minute Ref: 168/2018/19). 2. The Clerk be instructed to respond to DCC expressing the Parish Council's prioritisation of AQAP measures to be delivered and its observations (Minute Ref: 213/2018/19). |
| July 2016 | Extension of Tarka Trail from Knowle towards Ilfracombe | Council contacted DCC requesting an update regarding progress made with this project. | No updates have been received from the County – refer to December 2018 AS. |
| November 2016 | MOD review of military bases in the South West | Proposed closure of RMB Chivenor by 2027 | It was announced on 28 February that Chivenor would remain open. |
| July 2017 | Highway Issues | Work in partnership with the DCC to resolve outstanding highway issues in the village. | No progress to report – refer to March 2018 AS. |
| August 2017 | Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Points | EV charge points in Caen St. Car Park | The Parish Council submitted an application to the CTF on the 28 February for £5,101 towards the installation of a 7kW Dual EV Charge Point. On the 6 March 2019 confirmation was received from NDC that the application had been unsuccessful due to insufficient funds being available. |
| February 2018 | North Devon Council: Section 106 Money Communities Together Fund (CTF) North Devon Councillor Grant | Apply for the Chivenor Cross contribution of £233k | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness equipment in the recreation ground – quotation received to be considered at the next Parks and Gardens meeting. • Informal running track in the recreation ground • Skate Park facilities on land adjacent Velator quay – Section 106 request submitted. • Provision of public conveniences on Chaloners Road – Section 106 request submitted. • Replacement play equipment at Knowle Play Park – To be considered at the next Parks and Gardens meeting. • Two applications submitted to the CTF - £4k towards VG improvements and £4k towards Knowle Play Park improvements. |
| September 2018 | Pedestrian crossing in Braunton | Zebra Crossing on Caen Street and Chaloners Road | No progress to report – refer to January 2019 AS. |
| November 2018 | Village Green | Village Green Enhancements | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council agreed proposed plan for improvements and enhancements to the VG Minute Ref: 170/2018/19. 2. The project to be managed by the Parish Council's Gardener. 3. The Council consult the community regarding the proposed plans. 4. Project to start in March. |
| November 2018 | D-Day North Devon | North Devon 75 D-Day Festival. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Council to fully support and take part in the activities being arranged in Braunton and surrounding areas as part of the North Devon 75 D-Day Festival. 2. To hold a 40s day in Braunton as part the Festival activities. 3. The Council to write a letter of support for funding from the Braunton Rural |

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| | | | Communities Together Fund. 4. RBL to attend the February Council meeting to request to hold an event in the Parish Hall. |
| November 2018 | Flooding | Flooding arrangements for 2018/19. | 1. The Foul Water Pumping Station was transferred over to the Parish Council on 2 December 2018. 2. Staff to receive training on the Pumping Station on Thursday 13 December 2018. 3. One-year Service Agreement with Xylem Water Solutions UK Ltd. |
| January 2019 | Car Parks | OSPO Resurfacing | The changes to the OSPO for Caen Street and Chaloners Road car parks have been publicly consulted on and will be effective from 1 April 2019. Alan Dart Groundwork Ltd have been appointed to carry out the remedial works required in the overflow and main car park at Caen Street and resurface and Work Hub car park. Water found under the tarmac in the main car park Clerk to investigate cause. Overflow to be resurfaced in the Autumn. |
| January 2019 | Life on the Verge | Wildflower Verges | Pilot project on the area behind the Fire Station to be carried out this year. Planting took place by professionals and volunteers on Sunday 10 March. |
| <u>COMMITTEE</u> | <u>TOPIC</u> | <u>ACTION TO BE TAKEN</u> | <u>PROGRESS</u> |
| Parks & Garden | Parks and Gardens Property | Devon County Council Urban Grass Cutting Contract. Play Parks Anchor Area Improvements to Parish Hall / Offices | Council to take on the County Urban Grass Cutting contract for 2019/20. New play equipment to be installed in the Knowle Play Park – to be approved at the next Parks and Gardens meeting. CTF application for £4k was successful and the equipment for phase one of the project to be ordered during this financial year. To obtain costs to install fitness equipment – to be considered at the next Parks and Gardens meeting. Rotary Club of Braunton are keen to develop the area and encourage pentanque. The project to be referred to full Council following the May elections. The front of the Parish Hall to be painted in house. Completed. LED lighting to be fitted throughout the building. Works to be carried out this month. Coombe Rail CIC to carry out maintenance to the Railway Signal in the spring. |

Monday 11th March 2019 Braunton Parish: Devon County Councillor Report

A number of companies in Devon and the wider region have announced either expected job losses, or some uncertainty about their current position. Within the DCC area these include.

Babcock, based at Appledore shipyard.

British Ceramic Tiles, based at Heathfield near Newton Abbot.

Wolf Minerals, based at Drakelands mine, Hemerdon, close to Ivybridge and Plymouth and within the South Hams.

Appledore shipyard is due to close by the end of March 2019. Options to help the local community and explore ways of retaining shipbuilding, or marine capabilities at the site are being explored by local partners, with a few potential options to keep staff at Appledore still to be explored. This includes tentative exploration of offers from potential bidders. The local MP continues to make a strong case for retention of operations. A task force has been formed and is underway, including DCC, Trades Unions and Job Centre Plus.

Babcock has stated that nobody at Appledore will need to lose their job, however, relocation to Devonport would be expected by, most employees not taking redundancy. DCC and partners are exploring avenues to keep as much skilled workforce in relevant employment in the Appledore Area, particularly due to strong economic and social links the company has with the local community.

Devons Labour market currently remains tight with many companies experiencing difficulties in recruiting staff. The % of the working age population claiming unemployment benefits remains historically low at the around 1.2% which is about half the national average.

On Friday I held a Women in the Community Recognition Award. we had to split the day into two halves as there were so many nominees. the High Sheriff Grania Philips and Vice Lord Lieutenant Lady Aaron came and enjoyed the day generally congratulating the recipients. It was a really humbly day as the amount of work and time they put in for others was enormous.

That same evening I went to a Children in Care Award ceremony where 331 CIC's attended to receive certificates. It was a wonderful atmosphere as all the children that were in care have had very traumatic experiences but they were all so happy and the Foster Parents were amazing people. You could not help but be in awe of the good work that they do as dedicated foster parents to some very challenging children.

With regard to the bus stop at Knowle I am still waiting to hear when the work is going to be started. I am also working with the residents of the Grange re the double yellow lines they are asking for.

Caroline Chugg

