BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Braunton Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14th September 2020 at 7:00 pm by video conference call.

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Cllrs: E Spear in the Chair, D Spear, M Shapland, R Shapland, B Bunyard, E Wood, G Bell, J Chesters P Lord, and V Cann.

Officers: T Lovell, Parish Clerk & RFO.

2 members of the public.

The Chair welcomed those in attendance and thanked everyone for joining the meeting. Technical checks were undertaken, the Chair read out the procedures for virtual meetings.

095/2020/21

Apologies

Received from Cllrs A Bryant, A Bradford and D Relph.

096/2020/21

Declarations of Interest Cllr B Bunyard declared a Pecuniary interest in Minute Ref: 104/2020/21 (c), as the applicant is known to him.

097/2020/21

Receive items
for information
not on the
agenda, which
in the opinion of
the Chairman
should be
brought to the
attention of the
Council.

None received.

098/2020/21

Public

Participation

There was no public participation.

099/2020/21

Minutes

RESOLVED: That

- a. the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 10th
 August 2020 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.
- the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 24th
 August 2020 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

 the Minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held on the 20th August 2020 be ratified and adopted.

(NC)

100/2020/21 Action Sheet

RESOLVED: That the updated Action Sheet attached to these minutes be noted

(NC)

101/2020/21 Police Report

Members noted that there were still issues with anti social behaviour happening at certain locations in Braunton including the Recreation Ground and Tweedies Field.

RESOLVED: That the Police's newsletter for September 2020 be noted.

(NC)

102/2020/21 R

Reports from the Devon County Councillor There was no report received from the County Councillor.

103/2020/21 Reports from the North Devon

Councillors

Cllr J Chesters reported that the North Devon Council Planning Committee had recently considered a planning application for 94 houses to be built at Chivenor but she was unable to take part due to declaring an interest.

Cllr D Spear had attended the Planning Committee meeting when it considered application 64000 for 94 houses. The debate lasted more than two hours unfortunately the application was approved with six votes in favour and four votes against.

Cllr E Spear explained that North Devon Council had successfully allocated 96% of the Small Business Grants to local businesses affected by Covid-19. There is still funding available Cllr E Spear would request whether town and parish councils who were not eligible to apply because their rateable value exceeded £51k, if they would now be eligible to apply for the remaining funds.

104/2020/21

Petition - Speed of Vehicles through Knowle and up to Heddon Mills The Chair welcomed Rachel Dalton from the Knowle Community Group (KCG) to the meeting.

Rachel presented to members a petition with more than 300 signatures requesting that urgent safety improvements be carried out on the A361 to prevent vehicles speeding though Knowle and up to Heddon Mills.

Residents of Knowle have long suffered with speeding vehicles on the A361. Rachel provided witness statements received from local residents giving accounts of road accidents and the impact on the lives of those involved. There were also comments from local residents who had witnessed near misses due to speeding vehicles and dangerous overtaking. The community have created a petition requesting that interventions be implemented to

slow vehicles down along this stretch of road

Cllr V Cann left the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the

- a. Parish Council to share the petition on its social media sites.
- b. Parish Council on behalf of the residents to present the petition to Devon County Council and request that action is taken by the Highway Authority to improve the safety of the A361 in Knowle and up to Heddon Mills.
- c. Parish Council to forward a copy of the petition on to Phil Norry Chief Executive – Devon County Council, Stuart Hughes Cabinet Member - Devon County Council Highways Management, Dave Black Head of Planning, Transportation and Environment – Devon County Council and Selaine Saxby MP for North Devon.

(NC)

105/2020/21 Planning

Cllr V Cann rejoined the meeting.

(a) 71389

Proposal: Demolition of existing & erection of new extension to rear of dwelling.

Location: 31 Heanton Street, Braunton EX33 2JS Applicant: Ms Jane Squire

It was moved by Cllr J Chesters, seconded by Cllr D Spear to recommend approval.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends approval.

(7.3abs)

(b) 71999

Proposal: Demolition of garage and conservatory and erection of single storey extensions.

Location: 24 Burrows Park, Braunton EX33 1EU Applicant: Mr & Mrs Wallace

It was moved by Cllr R Shapland, seconded by Cllr G Bell to recommend approval.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends approval.

(NC)

Cllr B Bunyard declared a Pecuniary interest and left the meeting.

(c) 72089 Proposal: Extens

Proposal: Extension to dwelling & Loft conversation together with Conversion of existing garage into additional living accommodation and

new single storey attached garage extension. Extended driveway and new garden terrace. Location: 1 St Brannocks, Well Close, Braunton,

Devon, EX33 1BE.

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Clifton

It was moved by Cllr R Shapland, seconded by Cllr G Bell to recommend approval.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends approval.

(NC)

Cllr B Bunyard rejoined the meeting.

(d) 71966

Proposal: Extension to dwelling and conversion of loft space with dormer windows to create additional bedroom space.

Location: 6 St Brannocks, Well Close, Braunton,

EX33 1BE

Applicant: Mr Robert Hopgood

It was moved by Cllr P Lord, seconded by Cllr R Shapland to recommend approval.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends approval.

(NC)

(e) 72085

Proposal: Extension and alterations to dwelling. Location: 10 First Field Lane, Braunton, Devon,

EX33 1ES

Applicant: Mr S Ong

It was moved by Cllr G Bell, seconded by Cllr J Chesters to recommend approval.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends approval.

(NC)

Cllr J Chesters declared a Personal interest.

(f) 71785

Proposal: Repair the slumped section of the outer bank approximately 65m.

Location: Horsey Island, Braunton, Devon

Applicant: Devon Wildlife Trust

It was moved by Cllr D Spear, seconded by Cllr R Shapland to recommend approval.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends approval.

(NC)

(g) APP/X1118/X/20/3251609

Description of Development: Certificate of Lawful Development for an Existing Use-Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden.

Location: The Lookout, Boode Road, Braunton,

EX33 2NW

Applicant: Mr Christopher Lane

Application Ref: 70853

It was moved by Cllr M Shapland, seconded by Cllr B Bunyard to recommend refusal.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends refusal as the relevant land has not been part of the residential curtilage of The Lookout, and there is insufficient evidence that there has been a material change of use of the land to use as a domestic garden.

(NC)

(h) APP/X1118/X/

20/3255146 Description of Development: Certificate of Lawful Development for an Existing Use-Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden.

Location: Blackwells Lodge, Boode Road,

Braunton, EX33 2NW Applicant: Mrs M Ford Application Ref: 70855

It was moved by Cllr M Shapland, seconded by Cllr B Bunyard to recommend refusal.

RESOLVED: That the Council recommends refusal as the relevant land has not been part of the residential curtilage of Blackwells Lodge, and there is insufficient evidence that there has been a material change of use of the land to use as a domestic garden.

(NC)

106/2020/21

North Devon Council – Planning Decisions North Devon Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following applications with conditions as filed:

71710 Proposal: Retrospective Application for an

extension to Dwelling.

Location: North Lobb Bungalow, Lobb, Braunton,

Devon, EX33 1JF Applicant: Mr J Dennis Decision: APPROVED Decision Date: 18/08/20

71715 Proposal: Single Storey side extension, raised

decking internal alterations.

Location: 11 Shortacombe Drive, Braunton, Devon,

EX33 1JD

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Blott Decision: APPROVED Decision Date: 18/08/20

71217 Proposal: Erection of one agricultural workers

dwelling.

Location: Land off Sandy Lane, Braunton, Devon,

EX33 2NX

Applicant: F J Hartnoll and Son

Decision: APPROVED Decision Date: 01/09/20

107/2020/21 <u>Accounts due</u>

for Payment for the period 11th August to 14th September 2020. RESOLVED: That the

a. Payments totalling £338.26 be approved and paid as detailed on the attached list.

b. PAYE, NI and Pensions for September 2020 be approved as detailed on the attached list.

(NC)

108/2020/21

Braunton Neighbourhood Plan Members considered a quotation received from an independent Consultant to provide a workshop / meeting for members of the Braunton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (BNPSG) to help them deliver the Braunton Neighbourhood Plan.

It was noted that the Council had budgeted £1000 in the financial year 2020/21 for the purpose of providing training to members of the BNPSG. Due to the financial impact that COVID-19 has had on the Council unfortunately this funding is no longer available.

RESOLVED: That the Council to agree in principle the Consultants fee of £630 to provide workshop / training to members of the BNPSG subject to alternative funding being identified.

(6.4abs)

109/2020/21

Planters on the Village Green

Members considered a proposal from Love Braunton to provide four planters on the western side of the Village Green. Love Braunton had prepared a scale drawing showing the proposed location of the planters. The planters would be funded by the community and maintained by Love Braunton.

Members expressed concern regarding access to erect the Parish Christmas tree it was suggested that the planters be designed so that they could be moved if necessary. It was also noted that access to the underground Foul Water Pump would need to be maintained. The Clerk to check with the Council's Contractor Xylem regarding the positioning of the planters.

RESOLVED: That the Council grants permission for planters to be placed on the Village Green subject to the design of the planters, signage and safety implications being in close proximity to the highway to be agreed by

110/2020/21 Website Members considered the draft Accessibility Statement Accessibility which by law is required to be published on the Council's website by the 23rd September 2020. Statement It was noted that the Council had budgeted £1,165 in the financial year 2020/21 for the purpose of upgrading its website. Due to the financial impact that COVID-19 has had on the Council unfortunately this funding is no longer available and the new website will be postponed until 2021/22. RESOLVED: That the Council approves the Accessibility Statement and it be published on the Council's website by the 23rd September 2020. (NC) 111/2020/21 Items for Members noted the Clerks and Councils Direct -Information September 2020, issue 131. 112/2020/21 Part B -RESOLVED: That under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies **Exclusion of** (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be Press and excluded from the meeting for the following items as it Public involves the likely disclosure of confidential information. 113/2020/21 Braunton to Cllr B Bunyard provided members with an update Saunton Cycle regarding the Braunton to Saunton Cycle Path. Initial Path discussions had taken place with landowners and negations are ongoing. Cllr Bunyard showed members the proposed routes that were being considered subject to approval from the landowners and funding. The Council thanked Cllr Bunyard for his update. The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Signed by the Chair:

Date:

(Cllr E Spear)

BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL ACTION SHEET PROGRE MADE	lŏ	No updates have been received from the County – refer to October 2019 AS. To be promoted in the Parish Council's Active Travel Plans submitted to DCC. To request update on status of the project and remind the County that their planning consent will lapse	Cllr Bunyard and Cllr Relph to provide a presentation to the full Council including proposed scheme, cost, land ownership etc.	 Fitness equipment in the recreation ground –to be considered by the Parks and Gardens Committee. Informal running track in the recreation ground – to be considered by the Parks and Gardens Committee. Skate Park facilities on land adjacent Velator quay – Section 106 request submitted. Provision of public conveniences on Chaloners Road – Section 106 request submitted not eligible for S106. Replacement play equipment at Knowle Play Park – Castle themed climbing tower completed. £7,006 S106 applied for to complete phase two – install double swing set of 2 x flat swings and Birds Nest Swing complete with rubber mulch. Upgrade existing equipment in the Chaloners Road play area identified on the ROSPA inspection - £4,026 S106 applied towards replacing the Spudnik Roundabout. Trim Trail adjacent Tarka Trail on Parish Council land - £14,628 Section 106 request submitted. Developer has requested clarification of site and that consultation be carried out with neighbouring residents. 	2 2		 Declared a 'Climate Emergency'; Pledged to do everything within the Council's power to make the Parish of Braunton carbon neutral; Pledged to do everything within the Council's power to make the Parish of Braunton carbon neutrality. Work with other local authorities and bodies (both within the UK and internationally) to determine and implement best practice methods to limit Global Warming to less than 1.5°C; Continue to work with partners to deliver this new goal through all relevant strategies and plans; Specifically consider the mitigation of wider climate impacts on Braunton; Engage with surrounding parish and town councils to ascertain what other local areas are doing; To carry out an audit of the Council's activities to define the organisation boundaries and establish where improvements in the Council's energy use can be made. Cllr Bell to contact surrounding Parish Council's. Secured District Councillor Grant to plant standard trees in the Recreation Ground as part of the Council
TOPIC	Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP)	Extension of Tarka Trail from Knowle towards	Braunton to Saunton Cyclepath	North Devon Council: Section 106 Money Communities Together Fund (CTF) ND Councillor Grant	Community Led Plan (aka Parish Plan)	Braunton Neighbourhood Plan (BNP)	Climate Emergency
100/2020/21. DATE	February 2020	July 2019	June 2020	February 2018	April 2019	June 2019	June 2019

		tree routing scheme. 10. Secular Oak tree from the Landmark Tree Scheme are blanted on land behind the Anchor area in the centre of the village. 11. Secured 420 trees from the Woodland Trust to be planted on parish land in November / December 2020. 12. BPC Climate Emergency Working Party to meet on Monday 16 March at 6 nm.
June 2019	Public Conveniences and baby changing facilities	1000709
July 2019	Pharmacy Services in the village	The Clerk to write to the LPC and CCG to express the Council's concerns regarding the closure of the Lloyds Pharmacy on Caen Street and whether the existing pharmacy services in the village will meet the needs of the community. 1. Response received from Devon Local Pharmaceutical Committee 16/08/19 2. Response received from Devon Local Pharmaceutical Committee 16/08/19 3. Waiting for response from CCG. 4. Response received from Devon County Council Health and Wellbeing Board 24/09/19 and 28/01/20. 5. Response received from Lloyds Pharmacy 18/01/20. 6. Council to issue press release to encourage the community to write to the DCC Health and Wellbeing Board to request an urgent PNA be carried out in Braunton. Completed. 7. Council to invite Councillor Andrew Leadbetter to future meeting to discuss pharmaceutical needs in Braunton. Completed – He would not refuse but he wonders what more he can say
February 2020	Men's Shed – Live Well in Braunton	 The Council agreed the Men's Shed could use the Committee Room and area at the rear of the premises. The first two meetings will not be charged to help the group to become financial established. Cllr R Shapland to be the Council's representative on the Men's Shed Committee.
February 2020	Remedial Works to the Memorial Garden Hedgerow	Council to consider options to replant area at its meeting on 9 March. Quotation received from St. Johns Garden Centre.
February 2020	Defibrillators in the Village	The Council to take on the annual costs to replace Pads and batteries in the defibrillators, as follows: The one in the Cross Tree Centre The one at John Wensley's Newsagents The one at Pixie Dell Stores The one at the Old School Rooms in Church St.
June 2020	Car Parks	Reintroducing charging in the Council's car parks. NDC only working with contactless payment method RingGo confirmed to charge to be added to NDC existing account. Waiting for response from NDC. NDC will resume the Parish Council's car parks cash collections on Monday 13 th July 2020. NDC will allow the Parish Council to be added to its existing RingGo account they hope to be able to offer this by October.
June 2020	Measures to reopen the village	DCC and NDC have supported the Council making the pavements in Caen Street one way. Signage implemented by Council staff. Council approve additional signage at each end of Caen Street and by pay and display machines. Clerk to mock up sign and circulate for approval.

		DCC are ✓ ¬sidering a 20 mph limit in Caen Street, The ▷ uare, Exeter Road and Ilfracombe Road. DCC are ♥ sidering synchronising the pedestrian signal signal signal but the Anchor with the lights on The Square. Council to consider more permanent measures to be including the second tranche of DCC Active Travel bid. Clerk to write to DCC and the North Devon MP expressing the Council's disappointment on how the County consulted with communities regarding the Active Travel Fund. Received no response.
June 2020	COVID-19 Measures to reopen Council buildings and Services	Council approved risk assessments and proposals to reopen Council building and services including: Car Parks, Community Work Hub, Play Areas and Parish Office. Council to provide signage so that the Skate Bowl can reopen. Risk assessment for the Parish to be deferred until the August meeting. Clerk to ascertain if hirers intend to start using the Hall again. To be updated in accordance with Government quiidance.
July 2020	Racial issues	The Chair, Cllr V Cann, Cllr G Bell and the Clerk to meet with the Police Diversity Officer and ND Sunrise and report back to future meeting.
July 2020	Life on the Verge	Council to accept the Life on the Verge Equipment. To issues a press release encourage community groups to plant wildflower verges in the Autumn. To loan the Life on the Verge equipment to other communities. To work in partnership with Countryside Centre.
July 2020	Office IT	Council to accept Integra's proposal for a FTTC (Fibre) internet connection.
DATE	COMMITTEE	PROGRESS
May 2019	Finance and Admin	BPC to apply for the Local Council Award Scheme (aka Quality Council Status).
May 2019	Finance and Admin	To upgrade the Council's website. Funding allocated in 2020/21 postponed to 2021/22 due to COVID. Accessibility Statement to be approved by 23rd September 2020.
May 2019	Finance and Admin	To provide training opportunities for local councillors - Ongoing.
November 2019	Finance and Admin	Parish Grants be awarded in April 2020 totalling £13,475. Postponed due to COVID-19.
June 2020	Annual Audit	Deadline has been extended to September due to COVID-19.
February 2020	Parks and Gardens	Install new swing set and communal area in Knowle Play Park. Waiting for S.106 Funding to be released.
June 2020	Parks and Gardens	Council to take on the County Urban Grass Cutting contract for 2020/21.
January 2019	Parks and Gardens	To obtain costs to install fitness equipment – to be considered by the new Council following the May elections. 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 Parks and Gardens Comm. meet with the Braunton Rotary Club (BRC) on the 30 September to consider options and costs – no official response received from the BRC regarding proposed plans. Funding for Trim Trail applied to Section 106.
April 2019	Parks and Gardens	To look at opportunities to provide more public open space in the community. The Clerk, the Chair and Chair of Parks and Gardens to be given delegated powers to meet with NDC to begin negotiations regarding acquiring more open space in Braunton between the River Caen and Tarka Trail

June 2019	Parks and Gardens	To carry out a tree audit of Council owned trees and ider, by land where trees can be planted in the future. To allocate funds in the Council's budget 2020/21. External funding provided to plant 13 trees on the Braunton Recreation Ground. To request permission to plant trees on County verge at Coril Head met with DCC in August proposal to be considered.
June 2019	Parks and Gardens	To negotiate with DCC a long-term agreement / lease to maintain the 32,000 m ² in the parish. Ongoing last chased 21/01/20.
November 2019	Parks and Gardens	 To apply for a free pack of trees from the Woodland Trust to be planted by local school children at the Beacon in the Spring 2020. Application was successful trees will be received in November 2020. The Council to purchase and plant 45 standard trees on its land subject to budgetary provisions. 13 trees planted on the Recreation in January 2020.
November 2019	Property	BPC to reconsider the Rural Community Energy Fund Feasibility Study. This has been uploaded to the 'BPC Climate Emergency Google Drive'.
November 2019	Property	Review of the Braunton Community Work Hub – the following agreed at the Property Committee meeting 03/09/19: 1. Introduce new T&C's. Completed 2. Introduce new tariff. Completed 3. Organise a first anniversary relaunch to coincide with launching the Work Hub website. 4. Contact NDC Economics team to research what help is available to SMEs. 5. Contact Princes Trust Programme to involve young people. 6. Review changes in 6 months.
November 2019	Property	Parish Hall look at options and costs to improve the energy efficiency of the building including replacing doors and windows (Min Ref. PR/22/2019/20).
February 2020	Property	To review the condition of Caen Street Car Park and bring costs for resurfacing / patching, realigning and drainage back to the next meeting.
February 2020	Property	Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Point in Caen St. Car Park. 1. To apply to the Energy Saving Trust for funding towards installing 22kW EV charge point. 2. Join the Devon Low-carbon Energy & Transport Technology Innovator (DELETTI) 3. Work with North Devon Council to ensure that charge points are compatible

Date: 14/09/2020 **Time:** 14:21:56

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Day Books: Supplier Invoices (Summary)

Date From: Date To: 11/08/2020 14/09/2020 Supplier From: Supplier To:

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Transaction From:

Transaction To: 99,999,999

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43431	1	PI	14/09/2020	GEORGINA		Work Hub Cleaning	60.00	0.00	60.00
43432	1	PI	14/09/2020	JEWSON	BRAP072	Sundaries	44.15	0.00	44.15
43433	1	PI	14/09/2020	ELITEPUB	12427	September edition	80.00	16.00	96.00
43434	1	PI	14/09/2020	TMSASSOC	3435	Faulty light Gardener's Shed	103.54	20.71	124.25
43435	1	PI	14/09/2020	GIBBONS		stainless steel bolts, washers	13.86	0.00	13.86
						<u>Totals</u>	301.55	36.71	338.26

CLERT:

DATE: 14-9-20

BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL
APPROVED FOR PAYMENT
CHAIRMAN

DATE 14-9-20

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Council Meeting 10th August 2020 - Agenda Item 12

Employee	w/c 06/08/20	w/c 12/09/20					Employer Pension	
Staff Number 11	£308.78	£308.78		w/c 27/08/20		Total	Contribution	Employer NI
Staff Number 16		1308.78	£308.58	£308.78	£308.78	£1,543.70	£399.25	£143.1
Staff Number 17	£343.98			£2,400.79		£3,180.80	£707.95	
Staff Number 19		2545.50	23 11.10	23.30	£343.98	£1,720.10	£458.35	
Staff Number 20	£276.32	£276.32	£276.32	£276.12	£276.32	£1,381.40	£345.05	
Staff Number 22				£572.82		£627.76	£128.51	£0.00
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JAARC DAVE	05/05/2020	06/06/2020	06/06/2020 - 05/07/2020		06/08/2020 - 05/09/2020			
HMRC PAYE	£2,404.99	£2,665.08	£2,203.28	£2,360.71				
				Underpayment	£644.75			
					£3,206.26			