

BROCKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the General Meeting of Brockham Parish Council
Monday 1st October 2018, in The Pavilion, Middle Street, Brockham at 7.30pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr Roger Hammond – Chairman

Cllrs Homewood, Songhurst, Muggeridge, Venables, Gargani, Washtell and Knight.

District Councillor and BERT Simon Budd and Helyn Clack (SCC).

Tracy Hamer - Clerk

Also present – two members of the public.

376. **APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from Cllr. Buckle.

377. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Nil.

378. **MINUTES:** Minutes of the meeting dated Monday 3rd September were read, unanimously approved and signed. Cllr. Hammond formally thanked Cllr. Gargani for chairing the September meeting in his absence.

379. **PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR REPORT TO PARISH NEWS:** Cllr. Hammond agreed to submit the September report to the Parish News.

380. **COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT:** The following report was received via email from Andy Reid 12011, Police Office Manager.

Drugs x1. Malicious communications x1. Burglary x1. Public order x2.

Police Stop	5
Suspicious Circumstances	4
Abandoned vehicle	3
Highway disruption	2
Road collision damage only	2
Concern for safety	2
Road Related Offence	2
Domestic Incident	1
Missing Person	1
TOTAL	22

381. **MATTERS ARISING:**

ROAD CALMING IDEAS: TH reported she is currently liaising with Adam Bunce at 2020 Consultancy and hopes the study will be completed prior to the next meeting of the Parish Council. During this discussion, District Councillor Budd referred to an incident whereby a van drove across the Green to avoid stationary traffic. Details of the incident and the specific vehicle were reported, but the police are unable to do more unless there is video footage of the incident, despite several eye witnesses. This was generally felt to be unacceptable and Cllr. Hammond will write to the police expressing the concerns felt by all present.

BERT: Harvest Supper will be on October 13th in The Village Hall. Also, it was confirmed the pond had been cleared and a second attempt will be made to do the same at Betchworth Pond.

DEFIBRILLATOR: Cllr. Gargani reported that the phone box is now owned by Brockham Parish Council. Following removal of the phone, the defibrillator can be installed. The installation has

been quoted at £258.00 +Vat and this cost was agreed by those present. Training will be organized as soon as installation is complete.

BROCKHAM OIL WATCH: Ada confirmed that there is still no environmental report yet the permit has still been granted. Cllr. Homewood proposed the following motion which was unanimously agreed and will be submitted by email.

This Parish Council understands that there has been a ministerial proposal to allow non-hydraulic fracturing shale gas exploration as 'permitted development' and large-scale gas production sites as 'Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects', thus removing local authority control and community involvement in decision making. We feel that local communities need to be involved in decisions which could affect their health and safety, and therefore this Council **RESOLVES** to respond to Government consultation by stating that fracking applications should continue to be dealt with by local planning authorities and their democratically elected committees in accordance with planning law and guidance.

ROAD CLOSURE FOR REMEMBERANCE SUNDAY: TH has completed the application.

STROOD GREEN ISLAND: There have been no further updates. TH to contact Dave Varney for feedback.

FUTURE MOLE VALLEY: TH reported that she has received some feedback from local residents. It was agreed to collate and circulate amongst the Councillors asap and then prepare a response to submit to MVDC on behalf of Brockham Parish Council.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: TH to investigate the notion of a Neighbourhood Plan in relation to the advantages it could bring to the Village for flood related issues. Copies from other local parish councils to be obtained and KG to review and feedback to the team.

382. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

October 2018	Chq no	Amount
Tracy Hamer September Salary PAID	DD	713.00
Phone Box Purchase PAID	2133	1.00
Tim George Tree Services PAID	2134	600.00
October PC Meeting & Flood Forum Pavilion Hire	2135	60.00
Tracy Hamer September Expenses	2136	77.51
Brian Cannon – Allotment Repairs	2137	129.40
Chris Long Gardening Services	2138	190.00
PKF Littlejohn – AGAR External Review	2139	240.00

Bank balances as at 24th September 2018	
Current account	23,921.60
Deposit account	9,865.36

383. **CLERK'S REPORT:** TH reported that PKF Littlejohn are yet to complete the Annual Governance & Accountability Return for year ended March 2018. The external audit is now expected in October. Budget Meeting to be held Tuesday 30th October at 8pm.

384. **COMMUNITY ISSUES:**

WEATHER STATION – No further updates at this time.

PARISHES IN BLOOM – Cllr. Venables confirmed that Brockham achieved a Silver Gilt award and Cllr. Hammond thanked Cllr. Venables for her hard work throughout the competition. It was agreed the certificate will be displayed in the Church Hall.

VILLAGE POND – Cllr. Venables reported that some 30 volunteers, including those from Reigate Conservation, were in attendance on the 16th September. It was unanimously agreed that a donation of £75 would be paid to Reigate Conservation Volunteers and that a date would be arranged for September 2019. Benefits of trimming back or removing the large tree behind the pond were discussed and Cllr. Venables will investigate. Two information lecterns will be installed – one to display wildlife information and another will be historical.

CAROLS ON THE GREEN – It was agreed that will take place between 5pm and 6.30pm on the 21st December. Cllr. Venables is progressing plans.

VILLAGE HALL – No further updates.

385. **YOUTH COUNCIL FOR BROCKHAM:** Cllr. Gargani reported the current trustee discussion regarding the use of the Village Bar is still ongoing.

386. **RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:**

ELIZABETH BAILEY FIELD – Cllr. Knight reported that the gate is not closing properly and requires a replacement mechanism – Cllr. Knight to action with quotes.

387. **BROCKHAM WEBSITE:** No updates.

388. **PLANNING:**

MO/2018/1507/CAT	Mole Hatch, Kiln Lane	Tree work
MO/2018/1515/PLAH	52 Tynedale Road	Rear extension
MO/2018/1560/CAT	Brooklands Cottage	Tree work
MO/2018/1561/CAT	72 Old School Lane	Tree work
MO/2018/1569/CAT	Riverbanks, Kiln Lane	Tree work
MO/2018/1478/PLAH	7 Old School Lane	Rear extension
MO/2018/1528/PLAH	Tanners Mead	Detached oak garage
MO/2018/1621/CAT	Elm Cottage	Tree Work

DECISIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS

MO/2018/1217/PLAH	1 Brew House Road	APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS
MO/2018/1328/CAT	29 Middle Street	NO OBJECTION
MO/2018/0883/PLAH	37 Hillside Gardens	REFUSED
MO/2018/1461/CAT	1 Old School Lane	NO OBJECTION

Cllr. Songhurst to write to MVDC to express the Parish Councils view on current activity at the former petrol station – MO/2017/1020 & MO/2018/1208.

389. **HIGHWAYS AND GENERAL PURPOSES:** Nil.

390. **ALLOTMENTS:** Nil.

391. **REPORTS OF MEETINGS:** Cllrs. Washtell and Knight expressed concern that the recent Flood Forum Meeting was inappropriately used to steer discussion regarding the ongoing planning

application at Tanners Meadow. It was agreed the Flood Forum should be a platform for plans in relation to flood prevention across the entire village.

392. **AOB:** Cllr. Hammon confirmed that although the rotting planks on Borough Bridge have been replaced, there are still others which are on their way to needing replacing. Review after Bonfire. TH to chase Alex Bagnall at MVDC regarding the requested netball hoop.

393. **PART 2**

The meeting closed at 10.20pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th November at 7.30pm in the Pavilion.

Signed: Chairman

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