

BROCKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the General Meeting of Brockham Parish Council
Monday 7th January 2019, in The Pavilion, Middle Street, Brockham at 7.30pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr Roger Hammond – chairing the meeting
Cllrs Homewood, Gargani, Songhurst, Muggeridge, Venables, Farmer and Knight.
County Councillor Helyn Clack from Surrey CC.
District Councillor and BERT Simon Budd.
Tracy Hamer - Clerk
Also present – 20 members of the public.

Cllr. Hammond wished all those in attendance a Happy New Year.

412. **APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from Cllr Buckle.
413. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Nil.
414. **MINUTES:** Minutes of the meeting dated Monday 3rd December 2018 were read, unanimously approved and signed by Cllr Hammond.
415. **PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR REPORT TO PARISH NEWS:** Cllr Hammond agreed to submit the December report to the Parish News.
416. **COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT:** The following report was received via email from Andy Reid 12011, Police Office Manager.

Vehicle crime x5. Criminal Damage x3.

Road collision damage only	4
Road Related Offence	3
Suspicious circumstances	3
Road traffic collision with injury	2
Highway disruption	1
Abandoned vehicle – not stolen, no obstruction	1
Domestic incident	1
Missing person	1
Noise	1
TOTAL	17

417. **MATTERS ARISING:**

BROCKHAM OIL WATCH: It was reported that although the EA permit is in place, there is still some confusion regarding the 3-year permit and the difference between appraisal and production. It appears that re-injection of water from outside has ceased. Angus Energy are reportedly looking for further public funding.

ROAD CALMING MEASURES: Cllr Hammond thanked the public who attended to discuss this matter and explained that there will be substantial expense and longevity associated with any outcomes, due to SCC approval and funding (possibly 12-18 months to agree SCC approved contractors). Cllr Gargani explained the process the council undertook to select the consultancy company and asked residents for feedback which would guide the sub-committee on which areas to focus on. It was agreed traffic calming was required in the village whilst maintaining a village

feel i.e. no massive overhead lit signs or street lighting. A wide range of views and suggestions were discussed which include:

Average Speed Cameras – This was not proposed in the report. Cllr Muggeridge explained this is due to the lack of distance required to obtain an average speed reading. CC Helyn Clack explained the equipment is very expensive and requires bluetooth connectivity and a clear run, including installation of street lighting which would not fit Brockham's village feel.

Community Speed Watch – It was suggested that many of the speeding vehicles are resident and that speed watch could be affected. Cllr Hammond reminded the group this has been attempted before in the village but was not deemed to be successful, largely due to lack of volunteers to run and manage it.

Middle Street crash site – the houses in middle street have cars often written off or damaged by speeding vehicles colliding into the back. It was suggested that a flashing light could be placed in a safe area to warn approaching cars.

The general feeling is to approach the high speed of traffic at the village entry points, with an activated box showing the drivers current speed and to slow down. Road narrowing measures were suggested, and CC Helyn Clack noted that the addition of cycle lanes would be potentially funded by Surrey CC. Cllr Gargani asked CC Helyn Clack what possibilities there are to match fund and Parish Council raised money. The response suggests if the community commits to funding, then SCC where possible would match and CIL money could also be a possible funding point.

Cllr Songhurst recommended reducing heavy goods vehicles (described as muck-aways) by having a 7.5-ton limit. It was noted that this could be put in place as a warning but Brockham does not wish to stop farmers and local businesses having entry points to the village.

It was decided that the formation of a sub-committee is required. Cllrs Homewood, Songhurst, Venables and Muggeridge have volunteered to form the sub-committee. The following themes will be discussed:

- Cycle lanes
- Weight limits to larger vehicles apart from access
- Addressing speed of traffic in village from entry points (gates, white lines, speed signs)
- Safety around parked cars

NOTE - Since the meeting, Cllr Gargani has requested the Parish Council discuss the detail at a separate meeting to agree the strategy and areas the sub-committee will focus on.

PRECEPT AND BUDGET 2019/20: The Financial Statement and Draft Budget 2019/20 were circulated and discussed. It was felt that a 2.98% increase against the previous precept figure would be advisable, particularly as the PC is committed to start to implement road calming measures. This was unanimously agreed at a figure of £30,434. TH to complete precept application and submit to MVDC.

The Future Mole Valley response from the Parish Council is due. Cllr Hammond explained the council team were discussing the detail and feedback in Part 2 of the meeting.

BERT – Simon thanked Cllr Gargani for contacting the enforcement officer in relation to Stonegate homes and the situation with fencing and rubble left at Sunnymead. This has been resolved and BERT got access to the ditch to do the required work and clear the neighboring properties water from the overflowing ditches.

8. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The current Financial Statement was circulated and Cllr. Farmer noted that the accounts were reconciled on 7th January 2019.

December 2018 – payments for authorisation	Chq no	Amount
Tracy Hamer December Salary PAID	DD	713.33
Defib Training Device PAID	2157	100.00
Scout Bus Donation PAID	2158	500.00
Mick Parker Defib Training PAID	2159	100.00
Chris Long Gardening Services – Annual Hedges	2160	525.00
Chris Long Gardening Services – Annual Big Field	2161	2275.00
Chris Long Gardening Services – December work	2162	290.00
Jim Parker – Footpath Clearance	2163	200.00
2020 Consultancy – Road Calming Study	2164	1920.00
January PC Meeting Pavilion Hire	2165	30.00
Tracy Hamer December Expenses	2166	90.54

Bank balances as at 3rd January 2019	
Current account	17,560.59
Deposit account	9,866.59

419. **COMMUNITY ISSUES:**

VILLAGE POND – Cllr. Venables explained contact has been made with MVDC to ascertain the decision on the Maple Tree TPO. It has been explained that TPO's with objections have to be decided by MVDC Planning Committee following a full report. Further updates are not expected until the Spring.

CAROLS ON THE GREEN – Over 200 people attended this lovely event and Cllr Hammond formally thanked Cllr. Venables and Mel Woodhead for organizing the evening.

BROCKHAM IN BLOOM – Cllr. Venables explained that following discussion with the Horticultural Association and Parishes in Bloom, a competition in the village has been proposed with prizes to individuals as well as businesses. The event will be judged in June, in readiness for judging to take place towards the end of the month for Brockham in Bloom. The event will be advertised Parish News, the website and via BERT.

VILLAGE HALL – No updates.

420. **YOUTH COUNCIL FOR BROCKHAM:** Work ongoing.

421. **RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:**

ELIZABETH BAILEY FIELD – No updates.

422. **BROCKHAM WEBSITE:** No updates.

423. **PLANNING:**

MO/2018/1528	Tanners Mead, Coach Rd	APPEAL
MO/2018/2060/PTFC	Broome Hills, Mill Hill Lane	Tree work
MO/2018/2102/PLAH	7 Jubilee Terrace	Single storey extension

DECISIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS

MO/2018/1784/PCL	Cotterstock Lea	APPROVED
MO/2018/2055/SCC	Brockham Well Site	SCC APPROVAL
MO/2018/1924/PCL	29 Tanners Meadow	APPROVED

Cllr Homewood updated the PC members that the expected planning meeting for the Tanners Meadow development will be the MV February Planning Meeting.

424. **HIGHWAYS AND GENERAL PURPOSES:**

Cllr Homewood reported the footpath behind the allotments towards Betchworth is in a bad state of repair and suggested that improvements should be made. It was noted that estate permission would be required.

425. **ALLOTMENTS:** No updates.

426. **REPORTS OF MEETINGS:** Nil.

427. **AOB:** Nil.

428. **PART 2**

The meeting closed at 10.20pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4th February at 7.30pm in the Pavilion.

Signed: Chairman

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