

BROCKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Brockham Parish Council held on Tuesday 6th May 2014, in the Pavilion Middle Street, Brockham at 7.30 pm.

1. **PRESENT:** Cllr R Hammond
Cllrs Homewood, Budd, Millward and Buckle
Simon Budd – Jubilee Committee/Bonfire
PCSO Ivor Williams and PCSO David Sadler - Surrey Police
District Councillor Paul Potter
2 Parishioners
2. **APOLOGIES:** Apologies received from Cllrs. Washtell, Richards and Hamilton and Councillors formally resolved to accept their apologies and the reasons.
3. **MINUTES:**
Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th April 2014 were approved and signed as a true record.
4. **ELECTIONS:**
Chairman – Roger Hammond – proposed by Cllr Homewood and seconded by Cllr Millward. **AGREED** nem com.
Vice-Chairman – Maurice Homewood – proposed by Cllr Hammond and seconded by Cllr Budd. **AGREED** – nem com.
Committees: Voted en block
Planning Cllrs Homewood, Washtell and Hamilton
Highways and General Purposes: Cllrs Richards, Millward and Hamilton
Recreation Cllrs Millward and Budd
Responsible Financial Officer Clerk – Mrs Celia Plumb
Hedgerow Officer Cllr Buckle
Ditch Officer Cllr Muggeridge
School Governor N/A
Big Field Committee Cllrs Hammond, Muggeridge and Clerk
War Memorial Mr Derek Holgate
Representative on SALC Cllr Hammond
Betchworth United Charities Cllr Hammond
Poland Trust Cllr Washtell
5. **SIGNING OF FORMS:**
Cllrs signed the Acceptance of Office and Register of Member’s Interests Forms.
6. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
There were no Declarations of Interest.
7. **PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR REPORT TO PARISH NEWS:**
Cllr Hammond agreed to submit the May report to the Parish News. **RH**
8. **MATTERS ARISING:**
Flooding – BERT – Brockham Emergency Response Team under the guidance of

Following an approach from Capel Parish Council Cllrs agreed to support a joint letter of representation from neighbouring parishes in relation to a second runway for Gatwick .

Hope Springs Eternal – survey to be completed in support of an application for a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund to create a Trail through the Deepdene Estate, save some of the historic buildings and tell the story of Thomas Hope and his family. The Clerk attended a meeting at MVDC where Mr Jack Straw explained the Infrastructure Provision Levy (PIC) through a Section 106 Agreement, where since 2008, the Council has required developers to make payments to cover the infrastructure costs that arise from new developments and the contributions are distributed between Surrey County Council and Mole Valley District Council for spending on specific categories of infrastructure. From April 2015, local councils will no longer be able to fund infrastructure through the accumulation of funds secured through Section 106 Agreements. Instead councils will have to devise and implement a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) that will contribute towards the funding of new infrastructure set out in an Infrastructure Delivery Plan. Council to monitor the situation.

MVDC are putting in place a scheme to assist with the maintenance of areas around War Memorials – Clerk to forward information to Mr Holgate.

List of known cycle events to be passed to Cllr Hammond for inclusion in the Parish News.

Dorking and District Preservation Society Newsletter passed to Cllr Buckle.

12. PARISH PLAN AND EMERGENCY PLAN SCC:

Flood Forum meeting up date on the wet spots and action plan. Next meeting 11th June at 10.00 am Brockham Flood Forum informed that SCC and the Environment Agency have put a joint bid for £375,000 funding for a detailed survey of the River Mole from Horley Weir to Cobham to assess the problems. Also there is to be an inspection of Tanners Brook in June

13. COMMUNITY ISSUES:

Date for Community Litter Pick to be agreed. Clerk to purchase some longer length litter pickers

Surrey Community Action to undertake a Housing Needs Survey to establish if there is a local housing need and if so what type of property and tenure. Await more news.

14. YOUTH COUNCIL FOR BROCKHAM:

Skatepark issues – covered under Matters Arising. The Poland Trust has given the Youth Council a donation of £250 towards the running of the Youth Cafe.

15. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDING THE EBF:

Cllr Millward undertook inspection later in April. Some ditch clearance will be needed shortly and it was hoped that the Youth Council could undertake some of the clearance as part of their conservation work. Friends of the Elizabeth Bailey Field to be consulted on what they wish to do regarding the pond. Contractor to be contacted regarding some weed killing needed on the footpath.

16. BROCKHAM WEBSITE:

Web team – Clerk to speak to Mr Postles to enquire whether they would be prepared

to make a donation to St. Catherine's Hospice. Still no news on the donation agreed towards Brockham Nursery School - £300-£400. Renewals to be sent out regarding advertising on the web site shortly.

17. PLANNING MATTERS:

There were no objections to the under mentioned applications

MO/2014/0554/PLA 46 The Borough Detached dwelling with detached garage following demolition of existing bungalow and garage

MO/2014/0417/CAT Holly Cottage, 1 Middle Street (reduce crowns of 1 bay tree and 2 yew trees)

APPEAL HEARING 7th May at MVDC Pippbrook APPEAL – APP/C3620/A/13/2206125

Land at Tanners Meadow –Notification of Amended and Supplementary Documentation

The Parish Council will be represented by either Cllr Hammond or Cllr Homewood who would stand in for Cllr Hammond.

DECISIONS

MO/2014/0309/PLAH White Down, Reigate Road 2 Bay car port APPROVED

MO/2014/0316/PLAH 63 Oakdene Road Ground floor rear ext following demolition of conservatory APPROVED

MO/2014/0341/PLA Postillion Restaurant Brockham Lane Change of Use from restaurant to single dwelling incorporating existing flat APPROVED

MO/2014/0460/CAT Brooklands, Brockham Green Tree Surgery NO OBJECTION

Public Enquiry re

MO/2013/0806/OUT The Bungalow, Kiln Lane Outline application for access and associated parking in respect of 34 dwellings (15 affordable) DISMISSED

The Brockham Pet Stores – parishioners concern over trees planted on the boundary and around bungalow encroaching on Green Belt land. Matter to be raised with Enforcement Officer at MVDC

18. HIGHWAYS AND GENERAL PURPOSES:

Concern expressed again regarding the condition of Middle Street from The Borough Bridge virtually to Glenfield Road. Chairman to write to MVDC's Chief Executive. A note was made that when/if it is resurfaced SCC should unblock/repair the drain by The Borough Bridge.

Cllr Hammond to liaise with MVDC regarding the installation of a dog bin at the junction of BW52 and Mill Hill Lane. **RH**

Barley Mow Storage Yard – issues regarding the operating hours etc. Letter of concern to be sent to MVDC.

Parishioners concerned that Hillside Gardens is having extensive road repairs/maintenance and yet the main route through the village is in a terrible condition.

19. ALLOTMENTS:

Allotment meeting for collection of rents took place on the 15th April in the Pavilion. There were no outstanding issues save to monitor a tree at the Wheelers Lane site and investigate some ditch clearance. Cllr and Mr Budd were thanked for serving coffee. Clerk to enquire whether it is possible to hire a skip for the Wheelers Lane Allotments. Vacant Allotments on both sites.

20. REPORTS OF MEETINGS:

Local Forum of Parish Councils – meeting 9th April in Leigh. Main topic Ms Elson, Head of Engineering Gatwick Airport – The Gatwick Perspective – How Gatwick is affected by surplus water and the affect the Airport has on the water levels in the surrounding area. Also Mr Kane, MVDC, gave a local perspective on flooding. Betchworth Parish Council’s Annual Parish Meeting no Cllr available to attend. Rural Highways meeting 15th May in Betchworth – Hamilton Room 10.00 am Dorking and District Preservation Society’s AGM 17th April. Brockham Community Big Field meeting 28th April – Part 2.

21. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

Date 25th April and speaker Mr Andy Robertshaw on The Sinews of War. He covered the logistics of supplying the troops at the front with their basic essentials on a regular, daily basis. It was agreed that it was a very interesting talk and a successful meeting. After a coffee break various village organisations gave up dates on their activities. North Downs School organised a poster competition for the event. Mr Green was thanked for helping with the display of the posters. Cllrs served coffee.

22. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS:

No issues raised

PUBLIC TIME:

Parishioner in contact with Thames Water regarding issues in the Nutwood Avenue area. Still awaiting a satisfactory response.

BW 52 Cllr Muggeridge to contact Mr Abbott regarding drainage issues on the bridleway.

Clerk to contact SCC regarding the timing of the light at Borough Bridge as it is currently on 24 hrs a day.

SURREY POLICE

PCSO Ivor Williams reported 2 crimes since the Annual Parish Meeting.

An exchange of views took place on village matters ie speeding etc.

A parishioner has raised the issue of safety outside River Cottage adjacent to the road as the pavement is very narrow and frequently mounted by motor vehicles crossing the Borough Bridge.

Also the issue of road safety was raised over the delivery of supplies to The Brockham Pet Stores where there are very poor site lines. The Police said they would look into these matters.

PART 2

Issues raised at the Brockham Community Big Field Committee.

Meeting closed at 10.20 pm

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