

BROCKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Meeting of Brockham Parish Council held on Monday 2nd February 2015, in the Pavilion Middle Street, Brockham at 7.30 pm.

195. **PRESENT:** Cllr Hammond - in the Chair
 Cllrs Homewood, Washtell, Millward, Budd and Buckle
 Parish/District Councillor Muggeridge
 Clare Ritchie – Youth Council
 PCSO Ivor Williams
 John Short – Brockham Village Hall
 Mr Simon Budd representative Victorian Weekend and BERT
 2 Parishioners
196. **APOLOGIES:** Apologies received from Cllrs Richards and Hamilton,
 Councillors formally resolved to accept their apologies and the reasons. Also County
 Councillor H Clack and District Councillor Paul Potter.
197. **MINUTES:**
 Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th January 2015 were approved and signed
 as a true record.
198. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
 None
199. **PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR REPORT TO PARISH NEWS:**
 Cllr Hammond agreed to submit a report of the February issues to the Parish News.
200. **COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT:**
 PCSO Ivor Williams reported a total of 5 offences.
 1 theft of Compaction Plate and shovel; 1 drugs offence; 1 burglary of dwelling; 1
 violent domestic offence and 1 violent crime offence
 PCSO Ivor Williams explained future changes which will take place on 22nd February.
 PC Lee Munday will be the new Rural Officer with PC Loraine moving to
 Leatherhead Town.
 He answered questions on local issues and then left the meeting.
201. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 BERT – team had carried out another working party clearing ditches and helped when
 School was in danger of flooding (sandbags and pump used). A considerable amount
 of silt was cleared from a culvert over three days. A Curry and Quiz night arrange
 for 26th March at the Royal Oak to raise funds for BERT. A representative for Flood
 Sax to give a presentation at the March meeting. Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Surrey
 Fire Service to give BERT/Junior BERT some advice and safety training in February.
 BERT have purchased additional waterproof clothing.
 Gatwick Airport – letter sent objecting to any expansion of the Airport.
 Heart Start – Clerk in contact with MVDC regarding organising a training course.
 Chairman to liaise with Mrs Ross regarding an alternative life support course.
 Also Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £100 towards a defibrillator being
 purchased by the Recreation Committee. Await more information.

Footpath from Hillside Close to The Borough – SCC, Highways Steward in contact with owner regarding an unsafe, dodgy fence.
Dog Bin on BW 52 – MVDC Dog Warden informed - now await installation.

202. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Skatepark - Await a response from Betchworth Parish Council regarding the Resolution passed at the January meeting.
Standing Orders to be reviewed by Chairman and Clerk.
Litter Pick – to take place after Easter - date to be agreed at the March meeting.

203. BROCKHAM VILLAGE HALL:

Mr Short represented the Committee and said that they were now looking to appoint a Manager. The feedback on the changes had been positive with more organisations using the Club. He stated that further improvements were being undertaken but no date had been set for the Club's AGM. He stated that the Committee always welcomed ideas and suggestions.

204. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Current Acc	3,940.20	including £825 Big Field Committee and £600 for BERT and £500 Big Field – SCC Members Allocation
Deposit Acc	11,746.83	
Reserve Acc Web	2,364.24	
War Memorial Acc	1,224.14	
BERT Acc	2,393.35	(need transfer £600 (SCC))
EBF Acc	284.33	
Youth Council	3,819.87	

List of cheques for authorisation signed

SALC – New Financial Regulations Cllr Washtell

Receipt: donation to BERT Ac £125.00

Cheques:

1798	Recreation Committee meeting	25.00
1799	Mrs C M Plumb Clerk's wages	535.00
1800	HM Revenue and Customs Tax	52.00
1801	Office Expenses Internet, mileage, telephone	143.49

From BERT ACC –

0020	Mr B Thomas	148.40
0021	Mr B Thomas	70.64

Clerk exploring possibility of opening a separate account at Lloyds for War Memorial Monies.

205. CLERK'S REPORT:

Stocksigns catalogue passed to Cllr Millward

Surrey Playing Fields Report passed to Cllr Hammond

Glasdon Catalogue - filed

Clerk and Councils Direct – circulated

Commuter Mini Bus Service from Buckland – Brockham – Dorking Station

6.20 – 7.25 then 17.20 – 19.30 Buses 4 U. 01 883 732791 – rural transport

partnership rtp@tandridge.gov.uk Clerk to contact Tandridge to discuss scheme

and whether it would affect the Aviva Route 32 service. Details to be put in the Parish News and Parish Notice Boards.

206. PARISH PLAN AND EMERGENCY

Flood Forum Meeting – meeting 19th January 2015. It was reported that the Environment Agency had no money but C C Helyn Clack and Mr Philpott were looking into funding. It was agreed to make BERT and item to be included in the Parish Precept. Cllr Hammond confirmed that Tanners Meadow Strood Green was not something the Parish Council could put forward as a Critical Drainage matter it had to come from the District Council and it would have to cover the whole of Brockham. It was stated that the Environment Agency have to see plans and visit sites regarding any development.

207. COMMUNITY ISSUES:

Parish Council Elections 2015 – due to take place in May. Anyone interested in becoming a Parish Councillor nominations open on Friday 27th March and close at 4.00 pm on Thursday 9th April. The deadline for registration is Monday 20th April. Parish Councillors will stand for re-election but if there are more nominations than vacancies then an election will take place, which can be costly for the Parish, otherwise nominees can be co-opted. Meeting at MVDC Monday 23rd February at 7.00 pm for interested parties.

Cycle Race – 29th March – Cycling Weekly Surrey Hills Cyclone starting at Friends Life.

Prudential Ride London will take place over the weekend 1st and 2nd August.

The question was raised regarding parking charges at the Rugby Club when there is a home match. National Trust to be contacted.

208. YOUTH COUNCIL FOR BROCKHAM:

Skatepark issues:

Mrs Ritchie reported that following Cllr Homewood's request for more detailed plans of the layout of the project Gravity Skatepark will shortly be submitting full marketing material.

Mrs Ritchie told the meeting that to date £97,000 had been raised towards the project. Cllrs were reminded that this project came out of the Parish Plan in 2007.

The next step was to sort the lease out and have a Stopping-up Order with SCC for the Land.

Mrs Ritchie was congratulated on the funding raising to date.

209. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDING THE EBF:

Cllr Millward undertook an inspection of the EBF in January. It was reported that there was no problem with the play equipment following the half-yearly inspection but he explained the position regarding the spring on the gate. It was agreed to order more bark chippings in the Spring. He reported the drainage was working and had checked the ditches. No news from the Friends of the EBF.

210. BROCKHAM WEBSITE:

Brockham Nursery thanked the Web Team for their generous offer to help with Equipment.

211. PLANNING MATTERS:

There were no objections to the under mentioned applications

MO/2014/1908/CAT	1 The Borough	Tree Surgery
MO/2015/0039/PCL	Little Rie, Reigate Road	Certificate of Lawfulness

for the proposed development in respect of the erection of a single storey rear ext

MO/2014/1904/PLAH	21 The Avenue	Erection of 2 storey side ext and single storey rear ext
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Letters to be sent to MVDC regarding the undermentioned:

MO/2015/0031/PCL	36 The Borough	Certificate of Lawfulness
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for a proposed development in respect of the erection of a single storey rear extension (Clarification on Conservation Area and refusal of application MO/2014/1694/PCL)

MO/2014/1805/PLA	19 Castle Gardens	Erect 1 replacement dwelling
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(request every precaution is taken to prevent future flooding and a flood assessment should be made)

Letter re 12/14 The Borough - site meeting with MVDC Conservation Officer to clarify the work – unauthorised change to the plans.

Brockham Pet Stores – matter to be referred to the Development Control Committee

DECISIONS:

MO/2014/1601/PLAH	1 Hillside Gardens	Single storey rear ext and 1 dormer window to both front and rear elevations to facilitate loft conversion.
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Addition of bay window to replace garage. APPROVED

MO/2014/1811/PLAH	4 Oak Cottages, The Green	Single storey rear ext front porch, two roof lights, replacement windows and addition of parking spaces
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(amendments to approved planning application MO/2014/1156 APPROVED

MO/2014/1854/UNREG	1 Warrenne Road	Provision of porous grass paver for use as hard standing. NO FURTHER ACTION
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MO/2014/1708/PLAH	35 Glenfield Road	Two storey side ext and single storey rear ext APPROVED
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MO/2015/0067Householder	6 Hillside Close	Single story ext NOTIFICATION
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MO/2014/1484/TFC	Middle Green	Tree Surgery APPROVED
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MO/2014/1771/PLA	Christ Church Hall	Retrospective planning application for erection of wooden shed within garden area. APPROVED
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MO/2014/1908/CAT	1 The Borough	Tree Surgery NO OBJECTION
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MO/2014/1694/PCL	36 The Borough	Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed development in respect of a single storey rear ext REFUSED
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212. HIGHWAYS AND GENERAL PURPOSES:

Nutwood Avenue –Mr Abbott in contact with Thames Water and ongoing investigations being carried out. Flood Forum also raised the issue with Thames Water.

Issues regarding parking in Penfold Road across The Green. MVDC to put up No Parking signs on the posts erected between The Royal Oak and the Grumpy Mole to prevent the grass area being eroded away.

Enquiries to be made with SCC regarding the closure of Flanchford Bridge for a period of 6 months.

213. ALLOTMENTS:

Allotment meeting Tuesday 12th April in the Pavilion for the purpose of collecting the annual rents.

Enquiries to be made regarding the services of a mole catcher for the Wheelers Lane Site.

214. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

Date for the Annual Parish Meeting Thursday 30th April at 7.30 in the Pavilion.

Clerk to contact The National Trust requesting a Speaker to talk about Box Hill.

215. REPORTS OF MEETINGS:

Brockham Community Sports meeting – the Committee now has a new Chairman – Mr John Aarvold and Chairman of Dorking Rugby Club is Mr Colin Troughton.

Provisional plans of some minor alterations to the Clubhouse were shown to the meeting. Parking in the area, particularly on match days was raised and this is being addressed by The Rugby Club and Brockham Badgers and the question of charging for programmes on match days is also being raised with the Rugby Club.

216. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC TIME

A local resident expressed concern at the amount of parking on grass verges and enquired whether there was any chance of field edge copses? Also the lack of trees in the hedgerows from Wellhouse Lane up to the footpath beyond Tweed Lane – it was agreed that this was a matter for the Hamilton Estate.

Concern was expressed regarding the Willow Trees in Brockham Lane /Big Field and assurance was given that this matter was in hand.

Issue regarding a boundary fence in Nutwood Avenue now in hand.

Meeting closed at 10.00 pm

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