

Minutes of the Meeting of BRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 17th March 2021, via video-conference
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Present: Chairman Cllr K White, Cllr S Beeusaert, Cllr T Lake, Cllr J Milne, Cllr P Richardson, Cllr N Tompkins

Also Present: Clerk, David Slack of Althorp, 3 members of public

Meeting Start: 7.45

		Action
125/20.21	To receive and approve apologies for absence None recieved	
126/20.21	Members are requested to make any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on the agenda. None declared	
127/20.21	Members of the Public are invited to address the council Chris Myers was present as potential new West Northants Council Councillor (if voted in), and was just looking to attend many parish council meetings in the run up to the elections. Member of the public asked what was happening on land behind the Bath House. There was a large digger there. Cllr White advised he had heard they were taking soil samples. David Slack of Althorp was not aware of anything on this land and will investigate and advise the council. It was also noted that the digger then left mud on road on leaving the site and Althorp was asked of they could clear this. Cllr White advised that he had just received potential plans for the site from the planning agent. David Slack had not seen these and would again need to be updated on plans.	
128/20.21	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held 17th February 2021 It was agreed the minutes were correct and could be signed There was a discussion about a need for Matters arising. This will be added to the agenda in future.	
129/20.21	Clerks Report See Appendix.	
130/20.21	Finance a) Reconciliation of Bank Balance See appendix. Bank balance confirmed by internal controller b) Payments due in March See appendix. c) To consider insurance renewal for 2021/22 Council entered a 3 year agreement with current broker Came and Co and this would be the 3 rd year, allowing us to go out to the market again next year. Council approved the cost of £452.35 It was agreed that there needs to be a village asset check to ensure insurance was correct.	
131/20.21	To consider response to Planning Application DA/2021/0038 - Conversion of barn to dwelling - Church House Farm, Steeple Lane, Little Brington There was a discussion about why this was not included in the original scheme and what the plans for the property were. Althorp to be asked. There were no objections to the planning application Resolved	
132/20.21	To receive information on the process of standing for election in the upcoming Parish Council elections Clerk gave brief overview of what is needed to stand for election. All councillors present at the meeting were planning on standing. Clerk can provide electoral numbers. Cllr White offered to hand deliver forms if they were left with him by a set date.	
133/20.21	To receive summary of responses from village survey and to consider strategy moving forward	

	59 responses in total had been received which gives a good indication of how the village feels. Information currently being collated. It was proposed that each subject is taken in turn and discussed with the community to get further feedback. To put this high on an agenda to allow people to leave after if they want to. Full details of the results to be given at Parish Meeting. A informal meeting of councillors to brief on responses before this date to be arranged.	KW
134/20.21	To consider installing dog bins or rubbish bins in Folly Lane, Little Brington and off Hamilton Lane, Great Brington and to approve style of bin here and in other already approved locations There is already a bin at Folly Lane so this is not needed. Clerk to find out how far down Hamilton Lane DDC will go to empty a dog bin. There was a discussion about whether these are needed. Most felt that even after lockdown there will still be many travelling to village to walk, and the dog population in Bringtons has increased. Wanting a clean and tidy village seems to be key on survey too. Wooden look rubbish bins preferred as they will look better but not need too much ongoing maintenance. Resolved	Clerk
135/20.21	To approve supplier to help move council to Office 365 There was concern about balance sheet of previous quotes so a 3 rd company has been approached via Microsoft site. It is thought this may be slightly more expensive but it is a much more established company. Quote still awaited.	
136/20.21	Updates from Councillors: a) Highways (Cllr White) Top Road has been resurfaced. An email had been received about fly tipping but it was thought this was outside the village. Fly tipping can be reported directly via DDC. b) Planning (Cllr Tompkins) Further discussion with developer for barns on East Haddon Road. Concern from council that this is outside village envelope and will open up for infill building between this and the village. c) Grants / Police (Cllr Beeusaert) No updates on grants, first need to see results from survey. Meeting with the Police next week so will have more to report after this. d) Community (Cllr Lake) No community news. Cllr White and Tompkins suggested bringing back the Brington Tennis Tournament. Cllrs Tompkins and Lake to look into organising e) Communications (Cllr Norey) Not present f) Environment (Cllr Richardson) Nothing to update g) Finance (Cllr Milne) No update.	NT/TL

Meeting closed: 9.20pm

The next meeting of the Parish Council is Wednesday 21st April 2021.

Items for the agenda to be received by Tuesday 13th April 2021.

Appendices to accompany the Agenda for 17th March 2021

APPENDIX

Clerks Report March 2021

BINS – Dog Bin has been delivered for installation at the avenue of trees. Althorp will install soon.

ALTHORP BATH HOUSE – Following the publication of the Housing Needs Survey, Althorp have some ideas about what they would like to build on this land and a meeting with the Parish Council is being arranged to discuss this.

BROADBAND AT THE READING ROOMS – Gigaclear have made an offer and the clerk is in discussions with the Reading Room Committee and Gigaclear. This is on hold until a time when the Reading Rooms will be able to be used regularly again.

CENSUS 2021 – Census day is 21st March. Information packs should have been delivered to all households. For more information see census.gov.uk

ELECTIONS 2021 – Parish Council elections are 6th May. For information on how to stand for parish councillor see the Parish Council website. Deadline for nominations is 8th April. Residents are being encouraged to register for postal voting to reduce footfall at poll stations.

Bank Balance as end February

Bank Balance

Balance in Current Account YTD	859.82
Value of cheques yet to clear	40.00
Reserve account balance YTD	20,434.49
Total	21,254.31

Cash Book

Opening Balance	10,504.14
Expenditure to Date	14,486.67
Income to Date	25,236.84
Total	21,254.31

Payments for approval in March

Payee	Cheque	Description	Total	VAT inc
Mrs S Willis	BT	Clerk March	426.51	0.00
HMRC	BT	PAYE	44.80	0.00
Thomas James	SO	KF Caretaker	20.00	0.00
Peter Leydon	SO	LB Caretaker	20.00	0.00
PWLB	DD	Loan payment	788.47	0.00
Mrs S Willis	BT	One Drive, Zoom and postage	20.37	0.00
		Total	1,320.15	-