

EAST BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the of the Meeting of East Brent Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Monday 2nd October 2017, when the following business was transacted.

Present: Chairman Cllr B Walker, Cllr E. Champion,
Cllr A. Gilling, Cllr B. Bees, Cllr B. Woodward, Cllr J Bowden, Cllr V. Rawles - In attendance
County Cllr B Filmer, the Clerk + 12 parishioners

1. Apologies for Absence & Declarations of Interest and dispensations.

Cllr C.Loader, Cllr N Lloyd-Jones, Cllr H Broderick

Re Planning - Cllr Gilling and Cllr Filmer to avoid predetermination at Sedgemoor Development Committee.

2. Minutes of the Meeting on Monday 4th September 2017: were agreed and signed as a correct record.

3. New Parish Councillor: Mrs Carla Searle was co-opted onto the Parish Council.

7. A38 Bristol Road Rooksbridge: as 12 parishioners were in attendance it was agreed to bring forward this point regarding the consultation report. 2 letters were read out and an email from SCC replying to a parishioner. After much discussion re the "pros & cons" of the report the Clerk to write back to SCC with the Parish Council comments (a copy of the reply will be placed on the web site and notice boards).

4. Matters Arising: Buggy repair quote – the Clerk had written to SCC re the repair to the matting, along with a detailed quote for the repair to the buggy. To date there had been no reply. The Chairman to make an appointment to see Dave Aggett along with Cllr Rawles.

Cllr Gilling and Filmer left the meeting at 8.25pm

5. Planning

Planning 24/17/00018 and 24/17/00022 – Knoll Lodge Church Road East Brent TA9 4HZ. Erection of single storey extension to the North and single storey extension to the South the Council agreed unanimously to support these applications as the development would go some way to re-establish the Grade II aspects of the house.

Planning 24/17/00019 – White House Farm Loxton - Barn Conversion the Council agreed not to support this application as it would be inappropriate in that location.

Planning 24/17/00021 – The Gables Gill Lane Rooksbridge - Single storey extension - the Council agreed to support this application as it would improve the facilities of the house.

Cllr Gilling and Filmer re-joined the meeting at 8.40pm

6. Financial Matters

a)	Clerks salary -	£ 379.39 (September)
b)	Clerks Expenses -	£ 19.44 (September)
c)	Came & Company - Parish Insurance	£1623.05

It was agreed to authorise payment of the above invoices.

8. **War Memorial:** Due to the ever-rising cost of insuring the War Memorial, there was no paper trail on file as what the actual cost of any likelihood of replacement for the WM. The Clerk had approached Wells Cathedral Stonemasons to see if they could arrange to carry out a full survey so an actual figure can be ascertained. They offer this service at an approximate cost of around £1,000. The Council agreed unanimously to proceed with the survey to what is an important heritage to the Parish. The Clerk to contact Wells Cathedral Stonemasons to arrange for the survey of the memorial as soon as possible when some of the Cllrs will be on hand to answer any questions.
9. **Notice Board Update:** Following quotes obtained by the Chairman it was unanimously agreed to order 2 notice boards for Rooksbridge and East Brent. These should be in place within in the month.
10. **Somerset County Council Chairman's Award:** the Council's application was submitted 2 months ago and the Chairman was pleased to announce the Cllr Colin Loader has won an award for all his significant work carried out for the Parish. The award ceremony takes place this month and a report will be placed in the Parish Magazine.
11. **Remembrance Service Arrangements:** the Chairman had arranged the wreath, trumpeter and asked for volunteers re traffic control on the day.
12. **Matters of Report:**

Chairman – reported that new location schedule for the SID has been circulated. The new web site is planned to be “live” this month. The telephone kiosk update will be discussed at the November meeting.

Cllr Bees – reported that the wall near Butchers Corner had still not been repaired. The Clerk to write to SCC for an update.

Cllr Bowden – now that we have two new Cllrs he asked the Clerk to update the Cllrs details list: this list to include the Footpath Liaison Officer's details. He, together with Cllr Lloyd-Jones have asked for quotes from 3 contractors for all the Parish grass maintenance and will report back at the November meeting.

Cllr Gilling – reported that a charitable trust called Spark - providing funding for various Parish organisations and to let the Clerk have the details to be published.

Cllr Woodward – on behalf of the Village Hall Committee she wished to thank the Council for their support re the grant made.

- The meeting closed at 9.20pm -