

## EAST BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of East Brent Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018, when the following business was transacted.

Present: Cllr B. Bees, Cllr A. Gilling, Cllr B. Woodward, Cllr C. Loader, Cllr V. Rawles

In attendance the Clerk and 2 Parishioners

- 1. Apologies for Absence & Declarations of Interest and dispensations.**  
Cllr H. Broderick arrived at 8.05pm, Cllr E. Champion none given, County Cllr B Filmer, Cllr J Bowden, Cllr Lloyd-Jones, Cllr C Searle, Chairman B Walker.

As both the Chairman and Vice Chairman were absent – Cllr V Rawles took the chair. Before the meeting was declared open. A parishioner wished to bring to the Councils attention some concerns about the recreational area on Mendip Road. First is the amount of dog fouling in the area and wondered if a dog bin could either be relocated or another one purchased by the Parish Council for the area. The second is the grass cutting done by Sedgemoor Council appears to miss the section down near the bottom end of the area. The third being as part of the set-up of this facility a bench and a rubbish bin were to be installed. In addition, a pole has been removed which stopped traffic gaining access and this appears to have been thrown into a ditch. It was agreed that the Clerk to write to Clean Surroundings and check about the installation of a bench and bin.

The meeting opened at 7.45pm

- 2. Minutes of the Meeting on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018:** were agreed and signed as a correct record.
- 3. Matter arising: Josephs Pound** – Cllr Rawles reported that the playing field annual inspection had taken place and in general was looking very good. It was agreed that an additional inspection would be beneficial bearing in mind the school holidays are imminent.
- 4. Planning - NONE**
- 5. Financial Matters**

a) Clerks Salary - June	£390.87
b) Clerks Expenses - June	£122.00
c) Clerks back pay (April/May)	£ 22.94
d) Playing Field Association membership	£15.00
e) Data Protection Fee	£40.00
f) A1 Gardening – Village maintenance (April)	£318.00 inc VAT
g) A1 Gardening – Village maintenance (June)	£402.00 inc VAT
h) Adams Memorials (reserved/next plot plaques)	£200.00
i) PGC Contracting – strimming of Mendip Road	£ 25.00

It was agreed unanimously to authorise payment of the above items

6. **Red Phone Box** – Progress on renovation – work has now commenced and should be completed within a couple of weeks.
7. **“We Need You Flyer”** – this flyer had been distributed to all households by means of the Parish Magazine. One response was received by the clerk. The Clerk has thanked the parishioner for the reply and it should be noted that all their valid points were either SDC responsibility or work already taking place.
8. **Play Equipment** – use of RLT2/CIL and other Council funds – It was agreed to defer this point till the next meeting in September.
9. **Other Maintenance** – areas around the Parish to be worked on – following a meeting with Cllrs Bowden and Lloyd-Jones – they have identified a number of areas within the Parish which could do with some attention in terms of cutting back, these are similar to those worked on in previous years. The Council agreed to proceed with the work in the coming month or so.
10. **Matters of report:**

**Cllr Loader** – after some extensive research he had found that several names had been missed off the War Memorial. He had been in touch with a contractor to obtain some initial costings to have them inscribed on the Memorial. He was to update the Council at the September meeting.

**Cllr Woodward** – reported that the footpath on Jarvis Lane near Rossholme was very much overgrown with brambles and thistles etc. The Clerk to write to SCC to have them trimmed back.

**Clerk** – had received an application from SCC for the Annual Chairman’s Award for Service to the Community. It was agreed that Betty Griffin be put forward. The Clerk along with Cllrs Loader and Searle had attended a SALC course re planning applications and copies of the presentation will be forwarded to all Cllrs.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

**Date of next meeting Monday September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30pm**