

# EAST BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of East Brent Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Monday 7th November 2016 at 7.30pm, when the following business was transacted.

Present: Cllr N. Lloyd-Jones, Cllr C. Loader, Cllr E Champion, Cllr J Webb  
Cllr W. Walker, Cllr J. Bowden, Cllr A. Gilling, Cllr B. Woodward, Cllr S McGreavy  
District Cllr B. Filmer - in attendance the Clerk

1. **Apologies for Absence & Declarations of Interest.** Cllr B. Bees, Cllr V. Rawles, (Planning Cllrs A. Gilling, B. Filmer ) Cllrs Filmer & Gilling to avoid predetermination at Sedgemoor Development Committee.
2. **Minutes of the meeting on Monday 3rd October 2016**  
The Minutes of the meetings held on the above date were agreed and signed as a correct record.
3. **Matters Arising: Joseph's Pound Play Area - Rooksbridge** – Cllr B Walker informed the meeting that Cllr Rawles had observed children within the play area whilst grass was being cut. For health & safety reasons, warning signs would be required at the entrance to prevent this happening in the future. Cllr Gilling commented that children had again been seen climbing over the fence into the field. Signs about this were already in place and it was generally agreed that further signing could be counterproductive. Cllr Walker is having a meeting on site with a contractor to quote for the treatment of the clover problem and will report back at the next meeting

Cllrs Filmer, Gilling left the meeting at 7.40pm

4. **Planning:**  
**24/16/00029:** Erection of detached garage with first floor accommodation for use within Poplar Farm Bristol Road Rooksbridge BS26 2TQ. The Council agreed unanimously to support this application  
  
**07/16/00026:** To extend the duration of the planning permission from 25 years and six months to 30 years and six months (Solar Park - land at Wick Lane Brent Knoll Highbridge) The Council had no observations for this application

Cllrs Filmer, Gilling re-joined the meeting at 7.50pm

5. **Financial Matters**

a)	Clerks salary -	£328.32 (October)
b)	GB Sport & Leisure	£38.50 + VAT (replaces cheque 1391)
c)	Came & Company Insurance	£43.15 Additional insurance re play equipment
d)	Water Meter Cemetery	£27.54
e)	PGC - Tree work at War Memorial	£190 + £80
	- Rooksbridge Grass verges and playing field strimming	£309 - Total £579
f)	PGC – Cemetery hedge trimming & removal of stump	£242

g) Poppy Appeal re wreath £15

It was agreed unanimously to pay all the above invoices. This was proposed by Cllr Woodward and seconded by Cllr Bowden. All in favour.

**NOTE** item g - this invoice arrived after the agenda had been set but needed immediate payment.

6. **Noads Bench in Cemetery** – The Clerk informed the meeting that following an initial letter to which no response had been received, a registered letter sent to Mrs Noads had not been signed for. It was agreed that a final letter be written then be hand delivered by the Clerk and a Cllr to Mrs Noads giving her 14 days to either make good the bench or the Council would make plans to remove the bench
7. **Trees at the Cemetery** – Following a request from Mrs Julie Ward, quotes had now been accepted and that work would be undertaken as soon as possible to the Amelanchier tree as per the specification given by Mrs. Ward’s advisor
8. **Matters of Report**

**Vice Chairman:** Informed the meeting of the arrangements made for the Remembrance Service. The bulbs received from SDC were to be planted in various locations by Cllrs Webb, Walker, Loader, Champion and Bowden. This to be done as soon as possible. Cllr Webb expressed concern about the number of non-compostable poly bags containing dog poo just thrown into fields and some verges. It was agreed that an article be placed in the Parish Magazine. Vegetation is overgrown in Wickham Way, Cllr Webb to contact the landowners to have them trimmed back.

**Cllr B Walker:** informed the meeting that he had written to the enforcement officer re the development near the Brent Knoll Inn public house. The officer had now confirmed that work would now be undertaken to clear up the site including grass seeding and general tidying up etc

**Cllr N Lloyd-Jones:** Gave a detailed slide show of the work done at the War Memorial to date, and after gaining a quote of £75 to proceed with the strimming work around the outside of the park fence on Brent Road and around the old butcher’s corner plus along past the phone box. This was agreed to proceed as soon as possible. Proposed by Cllr Bowden and seconded by Cllr Woodward. All in favour. Further work to be looked at of the possible removal of the trees near the Memorial so it would be visible from all angles especially when viewed from outside the public house.

**Cllr C Loader:** Gave a very informative presentation of how the SID had been used over the past 180 days in some of the 13 locations within the Village. This had identified many speeding vehicles in certain locations and he agreed to contact Police Constable P Wills – to ascertain the possibility of placing temporary speed cameras using the excellent data obtained from the SID

**Clerk:** Informed the Cllrs of the possibility of changing the quoting parameters (to increase from the present £100) - the Clerk to contact SALC for a new template to make the changes. It was agreed that no extra gritting bags were required as still plenty left over from last winter.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

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