## BRETBY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH MEETING HELD MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014 IN THE WRAGG ROOM, ST WYSTANS, BRETBY

**Present:** Cllr M Falder (Chairman), Cllr M Bridges, Cllr Mrs P Newton, Cllr A Badger, Cllr Mrs J Wilkinson.

In Attendance: Mrs J Storer – Clerk District Councillor Peter Smith (to 8:12pm) PCSO Claire North

#### 14/48 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Corner, Cllr Meyrick, Cllr Mrs Chilton and Cllr M Stanton.

14/49 Variation of Order of Business No items were identified that required the order of business to be varied.

# 14/50 Declaration of Interests:

No declarations were received.

#### 14/51 Public Speaking

a) Members of the Public and Council to comment on any matter There were no members of the public present.

# b) Police, County Council and District Council members to raise any relevant matter

## Police

PCSO North introduced herself and other members of the Mercian Safer Neighbourhood Team. Information was given that the Farm Watch scheme is being re-established and that the police try to attend the NHW meetings. Cllr Falder reported that the Parish Council has tried for more than 10 years to have the 30 mph speed limit extended along Bretby Lane, but all attempts have been unsuccessful. There has been a lack of support from the Highways Dept which has failed to see any need for the speed limit to be extended. PCSO North offered to provide an accident/incident log at the junction of Mount Road, Bretby Lane and Knights Lane; this offer was accepted.

7:45 PCSO North left the meeting.

#### County Council

No representative was present but Cllr Chilton's email report was accepted. An additional key for the gates at Blind Sam's gulley is to be provided.

There is still no resolution as to a possible location of the new noticeboard (currently being stored by Cllr Badger).

A discussion took place about the ownership of the grass verges in the District and possible locations for the noticeboard.

#### District Council

Cllr Badger provided an update on the situation regarding Bretby Lane drains; he reported that the finance and planning of the works is in place but further approval

from landowners is still awaited.

Cllr Smith reported that the new wall on Newton Lane is expensive but the repairs are necessary to ensure that it is safe. The estimated cost of the repairs is in the region of  $\pounds 360,000$ .

c) Parish Council Members declaring an interest other than Disclosable Pecuniary Interest wishing to make representation No representations were made

8:12pm Cllr Smith left the meeting.

- 14/52 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014, these were circulated, read, approved and signed as a correct record by Cllr Falder.
- **14/53** To determine which items if any, should be taken with the public excluded. No items were deemed necessary to be taken in Part 2 other than the item already identified in the agenda.

## 14/54 To receive the Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman reported on his and Cllr Meyrick's attendance at the initial meeting about the railhead. Unfortunately he was unable to attend the following meeting. At the initial meeting concerns were expressed about the effect the Railhead would have upon the local road network. The only perceived way to solve this problem is to build another bridge crossing over the Trent.

Cllr Smith added that attempts are being made to galvanise all Parish Councils to act together in order to be effective and gain some advantage for the area. Whilst it was agreed that another river crossing would ease the problems, in practice this was highly unlikely to happen, but all Cllrs are pressing for the road network to be upgraded before construction starts, otherwise the roads will not be able to take the pressure of the volume of the large construction traffic.

## 14/55 To receive the Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report as previously circulated was accepted.

## 14/56 Bretby Drains

No further information was available other than that provided earlier in the meeting.

## 14/57 Correspondence

- 1. DALC Various circulars
- 2. Mr D Bellaby request for loan of a footpaths map The Parish Council does not have any such map and Mr Bellaby will be referred to the Footpaths officer at DCC.
- 3. Repton Parish Council invitation to meetings regarding the proposed Railhead at Egginton/Etwall.

#### 14/58 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

The following accounts were passed for payment

00361	Mrs J Storer – Petty Cash	£19.85
00362	Information Commissioner – Annual Fee	£35.00

00363 SDDC – Empty bin at Bretby Hall 2014/2015 £152.47

00364	HMRC – Clerk's tax (Sept)	£25.20
00365	HMRC – Clerk's tax (Oct)	£25.20
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee October	$\pounds xx$
s/o	Mrs J Storer – Clerk fee for November	£xx

A discussion took place about the cost of emptying the bin at Bretby Hall. *AGREED: to continue to fund the emptying of the litterbin.* 

Money Received	
Deposit interest	£0.10

- (b) Risk Assessment There are no known additional items that require including in the risk assessment.
- (c) Funding request for repairs to fingerpost Cllr Wilkinson reported upon a meeting with Mr Bellaby who wishes, along with the Melbourne Footpaths Group, to restore the three way fingerpost opposite the Green. The labour for the project will be provided free of charge but a request has been made for a contribution of £50 for the materials.
   AGREED : to make the £50 contribution and to reclaim it under the minor maintenance scheme with DCC. The Clerk will advise Mr Bellaby of the Council's decision.

## 14/59 To consider Planning Applications

9 2014 651 – Prior notification for change of use of agricultural building and associated works to form one dweling house at Machinery and Hay barn, Greysich Farm, Greysich Lane, Bretby

No Objections

9 2014 0778 – Proposed extension to existing stable building and part change of use into a pet crematorium at the smallholding off Ashby Road East, Bretby *No Objections* 

#### 14/60 Consultations

No consultations were known.

#### 14/61 Items for information only

- (a) Reports from Meetings attended
  Area Forum & Safer Neighbourhood Cllr Badger (Report circulated in Clerk's Report) report was accepted, with no further comment.
- (b) Notification of Forthcoming meetings None received.

## 14/62 Future Agenda Items

Bretby Lane drains Clerk's pension The Chairman moved the following resolution - "That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (in respect of the personal situation of an employee which could result in legal proceedings) it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw."

## 14/63 Clerk's gratuity and pension

The Clerk updated the meeting on her pension and gratuity status.

The Clerk's future pension position will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

#### 14/64 Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7.30pm at St Wystan's Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:50pm.

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