

PATRICK BROMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2020

Present

Cllr G Shepherd (Chairman)
Cllr B Whitehead (Vice Chairman)
Cllr D Chapman
Cllr R Darbishire
Cllr D Stratton
Cllr R Ormston

J MacNamara (Clerk)
3 Members of the Public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. To receive and note apologies for absence

The Clerk reported that there were no apologies for absence, but that Cllr Ormston would be joining the meeting late as he was attending a meeting of the District Council Corporate Board.

2. To receive 'Declarations of Interest' in items on the agenda

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. To approve the **minutes of the meeting held on:**

The minutes of the meetings held on: -

Tuesday 8 September

Cllr Shepherd raised two matters pertaining to these minutes: -

18.09.20 – The bench was at the Bus Stop not the Bus Shelter.

20.09.20 – It should read Newton-Le-Willows and Patrick Brompton Village Hall.

The Clerk agreed to amend the minutes.

The Minutes were approved.

The Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 6 October were approved.

4. Matters Arising

Cllr Shepherd asked about progress with regards to website patronage. Cllr Darbshire reported that there was no further progress and he would update the Council at their next meeting.

The Clerk reported that no information had been received with regards to the payment for the Churchyard.

5. Bus Shelter Renovations

Cllr Stratton updated the Council with regards to progress towards renovating the Bus Shelter. Cllr Stratton informed the meeting that an application for funding based on two quotes for the Bus Shelter had now been submitted for Area Partnership funding.

Cllr Stratton informed the meeting that he had been contacted by the Officer at the Council who had stated that they were unsure if the project qualified, however, it would be put forward for consideration as a repair project.

There would be a full update at the next meeting.

6. Broadband

Cllr Whitehead updated the meeting with regards to his most recent discussions concerning Broadband as part of the Village Plan. Cllr Whitehead informed Councillors that he had engaged with Openreach, Broadband for Rural North and Air Broadband.

There was still a requirement by Openreach for people to supply their details to demonstrate interest.

A discussion took place with regards to the historical facts about securing improved Braodband and a member of the public detailed the involvement of Richmond MP, Rishi Sunak.

It was agreed that Cllr Whitehead also speak to the Clerk of Crakehall Parish Council about their arrangements. It was also suggested that the Parish Council speak with Cllr McKenzie from the County Council.

Cllr Ormston joined the meeting at this stage.

Cllr Ormston shared his own experience with regards to the poor level of broadband across the Village.

It was agreed that Cllr Whitehead continue to progress this matter.

7. Website Accessibility

Cllr Shepherd reported that as a result of new regulations he had undertaken an audit of the website to ensure compliance with the accessibility policy.

The work remained ongoing to ensure that we continue to comply with this requirement.

8. Drainage

Cllr Whitehead reported that there were several issues with drains across the village as they were full of vegetation and debris and it required the gully sucker to undertake remedial work to prevent flooding.

It was agreed that Iain Beighton at the County Council be contacted, and that County Councillor Sedgewick be copied in.

9. Christmas Tree 2020

The meeting received a quote for a 12-14ft Christmas Tree for outside of The Old Schoolroom. The quote was £175.00.

It was agreed to source the Christmas Tree from Thorpe Perrow and erect the tree on 5th December.

It was hoped that the lighting could be marked in a socially distanced manner.

10. Defibrillator Rota –

The Defibrillator Rota for the next three months was agreed: -

- November – Cllr Chapman
- December – Cllr Stratton
- January – Cllr Darbshire

Cllr Shepherd informed the meeting that the cabinet did require some cleaning.

11. Reports from other bodies including the District Council and the County Council

Cllr Ormston reported that the partnership grants were open, and Parishes had up until 9th December to submit applications.

Cllr Ormston also updated the Council on the proposed local government reorganisation and that he had supported the County Council proposal for a single unitary authority.

Cllr Stratton informed the meeting that the Newton-le-Willows and Patrick Brompton Village Hall had closed again to comply with lockdown restrictions. It was reported that there would be a 2020 Christmas Tree and it had been sponsored by a local business.

Cllr Shepherd reported that The Old Schoolroom remained closed, but the Atkinson Clarke Trust were looking at further work being undertaken, including new flooring.

Mrs Whitehead reported on behalf of the Community Events Committee. Mrs Whitehead thanked everyone for their support for the bulb planting and litter pick. The next meeting of the group was scheduled for 23rd November.

A discussion took place with regards to how the Christmas Tree lights could be turned on whilst complying with Covid-19 legislation.

12. Planning Matters

The Clerk reported that at the point of setting the agenda there were no planning applications received, but just prior to the meeting he had received an application for revised proposals at The Green Tree.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the cut-off date for the application was 1 December 2020. It was agreed that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council be held on 25th November 2020 at 7pm.

13. Finance

Receipts & Payments

The Clerk presented the financial report up to 31 October 2020.

The receipts and payments were agreed and the report is appended to the minutes.

The combined resources of the Parish Council across both the HSBC and Skipton Building Society accounts were £8,342.50.

The Financial Report was approved.

14. Date & Time of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Tuesday 12th January 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 20.40pm

