

## BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL

23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2019

Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Wells (Chairman), Baker, Carrier, Comer, Macdonald, Shaw, Steggles, Thurtle and Watson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Parish Clerk J Caborn.

1 **APOLOGIES** were received from Councillors Francis, Howlett and Wainwright.

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – none.

3 **MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 12.2.19**

It was resolved that the above minutes be signed as a true copy.

4 **MATTERS ARISING** – none.

5 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – no members of the public present.

6 **CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter of resignation from Councillor Squires was read out, and it was resolved that **a letter of thanks should be sent to him**. It is understood that he will continue with his membership of the Mill Lane Centre Management Committee, of which he is currently Chairman.

7 **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES – 16.4.19**

It was resolved that the above minutes be signed as a true copy, and adopted.

8 **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 26.2.19, 12.3.19**

It was resolved that the above minutes be adopted.

9 **STAFFING & STANDARDS COMMITTEE MINUTES – 9.4.19**

It was resolved that the above minutes be signed as a true copy, and adopted.

10 **ALLOTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE – 11.9.18**

It was resolved that the above minutes be adopted.

11 **AMENITIES & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MINUTES – 29.1.19**

It was resolved that the above minutes be signed as a true copy.

### Matters Arising

#### Minute 9 – Use of 'Section 106' Monies - proposals

It was confirmed that Ms Tully and Ms Nash had made no further contact with the council concerning the 'Mill Lane Recreation Ground perimeter paths' proposal. It was pointed out that, although Ms Tully and Ms Nash had suggested that an application for this and possibly other proposals should e.g. comply with the Borough Council's Sport, Play and Leisure Strategy, and with what is set out in the relevant 's106' agreement, and with whatever will avoid exacerbating any existing Police priorities, the Parish Council has insufficient insight into such matters to be able to formulate a suitable bid. It was resolved to **seek further help from Ms Tully and Ms Nash, with a view to enabling the Parish Council to submit bids for such funding in an appropriate way.**

Minute 13) – Additional Rubbish Collection 6.4.19 – It was reported that this event, held at both the Green Lane Playing Field car park area and the Mill Lane Recreation Ground car park area, had once again been very successful, and resolved that **a letter of thanks should be forwarded to the GYB Services Ltd.**

**team, who had been very helpful on the day.** A number of Parish Councillors, assisted by Mr K Kemp, Allotment Advisory Committee member, were in attendance. The hope was expressed that another similar event would be arranged during the forthcoming council year.

Minute 16) – ‘Keep Britain Tidy – Great British Spring Clean’ – it was resolved that this national initiative should be supported by committee members taking part in the ‘South’ footpath walk on 5.5.19, who would take rubbish bags, pickers etc. with them on the walk to pick up any litter that they found along the paths.

It was **resolved that the above minutes be adopted.**

12 **PROPOSAL TO CONFIRM DECISION MADE TO PROCEED WITH RESURFACING WORKS TO THE SECTION OF GIPSIES GREEN COMMON USED FOR VEHICLE PARKING/ACCESS BY NEIGHBOURS**

This matter has been referred to within the minutes of a meeting of an Amenities & Highways Sub-Committee established in order to resolve the above matter, held on 26.3.19 – this and other minutes of this sub-committee will be presented for adoption by the Amenities & Highways Committee when it next meets on 28.5.19. Councillors Wells and Carrier confirmed that they had met Mr D King, D M King Ltd., at 9a.m. on 20.3.19, at the site of the proposed resurfacing works on the Gipsies Green Common – Mr King had explained that he had employees and materials ready, with a view to making an immediate start. Councillors Wells and Carrier agreed to Mr King’s proposals that ‘type 1 granite chippings’ would be used, and that the cost would be ‘between £400 and £500 materials only labour free’, and that his employees would knock on neighbouring residents’ doors to give them an opportunity to move their cars. They had also concluded that ‘scraping’ the surface, as was proposed when Norse Eastern Ltd. submitted a quotation last year, would not be sufficient. Mr King has subsequently submitted his invoice, for £140.00 + VAT only.

Councillors Carrier and Wells acknowledged that some members of the council had suggested that their actions had contravened no 68b) of the council’s Standing Orders, but explained that, in the circumstances, they felt that they had acted in the best interests of the council, and they further suggested that the ‘Type 1’ materials used were a ‘natural granite chipping’, and were therefore more appropriate for this kind of surface than the ‘road chippings’ previously proposed. It was unanimously resolved to **endorse the actions taken by Councillors Wells and Carrier on behalf of the council, as outlined above.**

13 **LAMPRO/BADGER BUILDING LTD. – PROPOSAL THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL, SUBJECT TO AN AGREED COMMUTED SUM, COULD TAKE ON THE OWNERSHIP AND UPKEEP OF THE OPEN SPACE AND ANY ASSOCIATED PLAY AREAS, WHICH WOULD FORM PART OF THE SCHEME CURRENTLY PROPOSED, AND INVITATION TO MEET TO CONSIDER THE IDEA FURTHER**

The Parish Council received an e-mail, from Mr E Gilder on behalf of Badger Building Ltd., which set out the proposal outlined above, and invited council members to attend a meeting to enable the matter to be considered further. It is the council’s understanding that this scheme has not yet received planning permission, and that it would be necessary to raise a number of questions, not least the likely amount of the ‘commuted sum’ referred to.

It was resolved to **seek advice from the Borough Council’s Planning Department, and Bradwell Borough Councillors, as to e.g. whether this council should engage with the company now, or wait until planning permission is presumably granted, or until some other time – and whether there are matters that it should particularly bear in mind, if it does decide to participate in such a meeting.**

14 **REQUEST TO UTILISE LEO COLES PAVILION AS A POLLING STATION – 23.5.19**

The above request, to hold an election only three weeks after another election has taken place, has come about due to the need for the country to participate in ‘European Parliament’ elections on the above date.

15 **PARISH LIAISON MEETING WITH GYBC – 11.3.19 – REPORT-BACK**

Members of this council attended the above, and did not on this occasion raise any questions on behalf of Bradwell, but they reported that the meeting was dominated by other Parish Councils raising questions that were relevant only to their own parishes – the original concept was that only questions that had relevance to all parishes should be raised at this forum.

16 **REVIEW OF CRIME INCIDENTS AFFECTING BRADWELL**

As had been reported at last week's Annual Parish Meeting, PC Lay-Flurrie carries out most of his duties in Bradwell now, rather than having to also cover the other 'Southern Parishes'. Action taken against some youngsters riding bicycles in an unsafe manner was also reported last week. At the recent 'SNAP' meeting, which now covers the Borough Council area south of the river, it was reported that 'drug' issues have increased. The meeting reported crime statistics within categories that are different from those used elsewhere, and referred to 'North Bradwell' as 'Bradwell', 'South Bradwell' being designated as part of its 'Southern Villages' area.

It was reported that no effective Police action had been taken in respect of a reported theft of garden ornaments in Chestnut Avenue, and that no 'crime number' had been issued.

17 **ACCOUNTS TO PAY**

- a) D M King Ltd. – materials used to re-surface Gipsies Green area, labour provided free of charge to council, reimbursement of payment already made to Silverton Aggregates Ltd. for supply of 4 tons Type 1 (limestone or granite) @ £35 per ton, £140.00 + VAT £28.00 = £168.00 - 104592
- b) Mill Lane Centre – use of sports hall 1900-2200 hours 17.4.19 for Annual Parish Meeting - £20.00 - 104593

It was **resolved that the above accounts be paid.**

18 **CURRENT REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Nothing was raised in addition to what had been reported at last week's Annual Parish Meeting.

19 **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

A query was raised concerning the works to be carried out to replace fascias etc. in respect of Leo Coles Pavilion. There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Signed ..... Date .....  
Date of next (annual) meeting – 14.5.19