

Brantingham Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting
Held in the Village Hall
Monday 6th September 2021
At 7.30 pm

Those Present

Richard Powell – Chairman

Glenda Greendale – Vice Chairman

Richard Shillaker

Hugh Wood

Nik Wilson

Councillor Pat Smith

Linda Soulsby – Clerk

Apologies – Louise Brotherton, Alex Bateman, Anna Caffery and Councillor Richard Meredith

Item 1 Minutes of the last meeting – Richard Powell change Sally’s surname to Carey.

Item 2 Matters arising and outstanding.

War Memorial – Nik has made an application to ERYC planning for a listed building consent regarding adding a plaque to the War Memorial to mark the death of a World War Two soldier, Major Wilmot Dixon Longstaff. The time scale for a decision is around eight weeks, Nik feels this is unlikely to be refused but will contact planning to see if they will give a verbal decision. Once we have a verbal decision, we could order the plaque in the hope we have it in time for the Remembrance Sunday Service. The cost of the plaque will be more than two thousand pounds. Sally Carey and her sister will meet the cost. The Parish Council, however, have agreed to make a contribution. A decision on the amount will be made once we know the final cost.

Vacancy - We still need to fill the vacancy, to date we have not had any interest. A leaflet drop was suggested to see if we can generate any interest. Hugh has spoken to a couple of people from Cave Road and will speak to them again but does not think they will commit.

Emergency Plan – This is ongoing Linda is just having issues with formatting.

Pond – Richard Shillaker together with Derek Lewthwaite have been clearing the vegetation out of the pond. There is still a lot of work to do, and any help would be much appreciated. Richard commented that the water levels are ok, we have four ducks at present and Chris Norfolk has promised some Barley Straw for the pond.

We will ask Georgi to trim the edges around the pond. Louise's son Jack has been helping Georgi and we could ask him to do the strimming.

Village Green – suitable hedge ideas – We have discussed putting a hedge around the Village Green but feel this is not the right thing to do. It was agreed that planting some spring bulbs would be a better solution, Richard Powell will speak to Rob Hardcastle to see if this is something he can help with. During the winter months we could put out the traffic cones to help preserve the green.

Tree Planting Grant – We have decided not to go down the grant route to purchase the trees for Wandells View instead the PC will stand the cost. Richard Powell has been speaking to Rob Hardcastle to find out what is suitable and is waiting for him to report back. Before we start the planting, we need to check the utility gas service. Richard Powell will speak to Martin Scott as this is something he's dealing with recently.

Pond Bench/ Remembrance Bench request - The bench we have chosen is still out of stock the expected lead time is twelve weeks. We note that the old bench does have a memorial plaque, and this can be transferred to a new bench. It was suggested we may want to think about replacing both concrete ended benches near the pond at the same time. It was agreed we should do so. We have also had a request from a Nicole Armstrong to ask if she could put a memorial bench near the church. We are not sure where this would go, the best place could be near the style on church green. Richard Powell will contact Nicole to see what she had in mind as the bench would need to match others in the village.

We still have it in mind that we may need to put a bench near Mill Lane and may need to order three or four benches when in stock.

Ditch by Village Hall – This has made some progress. Richard Powell has spoken to ERYC. They have indicated that as the bridge connects to the highway, we will need consent and to use one of their approved contractors. Chris may look at the pipe and Keith Sanderson will clean the ditch out.

Litter Bin – Cave Road – ERYC will be conducting a site survey within the next week to find a suitable position for the new bin near to Stockbridge Roundabout. Councillor Pat Smith suggested putting another new bin in the layby on Ellerker Road on the right -hand side as you go from Cave Road to Ellerker. She will speak to Steve Murray.

Defibrillator - check battery - We will ask Louise to check.

Item 3 Finance

Richard Powell has paid out £41 to ERYC for a consent to dig up the bridge over the ditch at the Village Hall. He will speak to Andrew Milner to check if this is an expense to the Village Hall or the PC. If the cost is to be paid by the PC it was agreed to reimburse Richard.

Item 4 Planning applications and policy consideration

No items to report

Item 5 Planning Permission

No items to report

Item 6 Correspondence

Items received have been forwarded via email.

Item 7 Account for payment

Item 8 any other business

Grass cutting along Cave Road – Hugh has sent an email to Councillor Richard Meredith showing the state of the verges and over hanging trees on Cave Road, looking down to Stockbridge Roundabout. Hugh and some of the neighbours have cut this back as this has not been done by ERYC for over a year. Councillor Richard Meredith is going to meet with Steve Murray and will bring this to his attention as this is not acceptable.

Web-site – The website domain name and hosting package is due for renewal. This will cost £270 for two years. Richard Powell will arrange to renew it.

Parish Logo – Alex has produced a logo for the Parish. This can be added to any notices or leaflets we wish to produce.

Date of next meeting

Monday 18th October 2021

Monday 6th December 2021