

Brantingham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting

Via Microsoft Teams

Monday 11 January 2021

At 7.30 pm

Those Present

Richard Powell – Chairman

Glenda Greendale – Vice Chairman

Louise Brotherton – Treasurer

Richard Shillaker

Hugh Wood

Nik Wilson

Councillor Richard Meredith

Councillor Pat Smith

Linda Soulsby – Clerk

Apologies – Glenn Allgood and Dawn Williamson

Item 1 Minutes of the last meeting

These were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Item 2 Matters arising and outstanding.

Vacancy – Anna Caffery and Alex Bateman. Both Anna and Alex have expressed an interest in applying for the vacant position on the PC. We feel both would be an asset to the PC. They have already done a lot around the village. This is making it exceedingly difficult for us to make a decision as it would be a shame to turn one of them down.

Linda will send an email to all members asking if anyone is considering leaving the PC soon due to other commitments. Following this we think the fairest way would be to offer the position to the person who has lived in the village the longest.

Emergency Plan – Linda dealing with.

Brantingham Pond: Richard M and Richard P have spoken to Amanda at the Environment Agency regarding control of blanket weed. She says it is OK to use barley straw to control green water and that the straw will not encourage blanket weed as long as it not left too long in the pond.

Flooding unstable base to wall/Dead Trees We are still unclear as to who is responsible for the Beck near the chicane and hence who is responsible for the wall with unstable base; it might be our responsibility. Richard Powell has contacted ERYC, they are not concerned about the trees unless they are about to fall. Richard Powell will speak to Chris Norfolk about removing the trees.

Development strategy for the Village - Nik has sent to all members the map which shows the current development limits for the village. There is no land allocated for development in the village. However, an existing property could be knocked down and redeveloped. Richard Meredith suggested a development strategy for the village is something we need to think about, he is looking at feedback from all Parish Councils in the area. He suggested having a Parish Plan to include a density level for new housing and to identify land for possible development. Some other parish councils have done this, and some think it could be costly. It could be a useful exercise if we put a flyer together and distribute to residents seeking feedback on their views on future building in the village.

West Wolds Slow the Flow – This is a group which intends to reduce the flooding in the West Wolds villages and surrounding areas using nature-based solutions. They are local people working in partnership with parish councils, county councillors and officers of the Flood risk agencies. This is something that Richard Powell is involved with and has sent everyone the link to the Website so they can read what they intend to do. They are looking for local support and Richard has asked the PC if this is something, they would be happy to sign up for. There will be no financial commitment, just support. All agreed it is a good idea and happy to sign up. It may be possible for someone from the WWSTF to attend one of our meetings to explain things in more details.

Stockbridge roundabout footpath - The ERYC has removed the pavers from the footpath due to safety reasons. This has left a muddy path covered in wet leaves. We understand that the ERYC do not intend to re-pave the path at present due to lack of funds. If the path had been properly maintained this would have prevented the path being removed. Duncan Berryman produces the Petuaria Press and may run an article on this. We will review this later in the year.

Salt Bins – The salt bin at the Village Hall needs to be filled with salt. Richard Shillaker will buy some salt. Richard Meredith will arrange for this salt bin which is the responsibility of the PC to be put on the ERYC salt bin map. I

Covid-19 – It was commented on about the large number of people walking around the village during the lock down period and if the PC could do anything about it. We feel people need to exercise; all we can do is put a notice on the website linking them to the Government guidelines.

Village Green/Common Land –Church Green has been registered in the past as common land. Richard Shillaker has also had confirmation from ERYC that the Village Green was registered as a Village Green by BPC. We do not know what the restrictions are. The War Memorial, Pinfold and Pump at Spout Hill are not registered, and this is something we may wish to do. This to be discussed at the next meeting.

Defibrillator - check battery - This has been checked by Louise.

Item 3 Finance

ERYC – Precept 21/22 – to be submitted by 15th January 2021. We feel due to the current situation we should keep the precept for the next finance year at £7,500.00 with no increase.

Item 4 Planning applications and policy consideration

31 Cave Road – We received a notice of decision to say planning permission has been granted. This was the first time the PC were aware of the application.

Gresham's Timber Yard – This is another application that we have not received notification. - We are particularly concerned about this as it is a large development. The PC agreed we should reply by recommending refusal and should be referred to the committee.

We feel the site is a flood risk area, Birds nesting and feeding ground, open countryside, visual impact, historical site, over development of site, could be risk of contamination.

Nik is happy to put something together for us to look at and agree a response.

Richard Meredith will report back to ERYC to ask why we are not receiving notifications as this is not the first time this has happened. Emails should go to Linda and Richard P.

Nik told us to look out for another application that has recently been submitted to ERYC for Cave Road and we should be notified shortly.

Item 5 Planning Permission

Item 6 Correspondence

Items received have been forwarded via email.

Item 7 Account for payment

Village Hall annual grant £500.00
PFK Littlejohn LLP - Audit Invoice £48.00
HMRC - PAYE – December £56.80

Item 8 any other business

Glenn has asked if we should arrange a litter pick around the village. We feel this is not the right time, but individuals are welcome to do so.

Footpaths Cave Road – The ERYC have no legal obligation to remove leaves from the footpaths and this is something we may wish to consider doing ourselves. We have money that could be used to buy equipment such a leaf blower etc. Richard Powell is happy to store any equipment we buy. Richard Meredith will find out what equipment we would need and discuss at the next meeting,

An updated Conservation Area appraisal of the village by ERYC is due to be done this year.

Date of next meeting –

Monday 22nd February 2021

Monday 12th April 2021

Monday 17th May 2021

Monday 21st June 2021

Monday 26th July 2021

Monday 6th September 2021

Monday 18th October 2021

Monday 6th December 2021