

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 6th February 2007

Present:

Cllr A Slater (in the Chair), Cllr S Cooke,
Cllr. R Davies, Cllr B Hardy, Cllr L Harrison,
C Furness, Cllr J Lawson,

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)
Mr R Jarman (RFO)

Mr B Nicols & Mr J Frith (Village Caretakers)

DDDC Cllr Mrs J Goodison

2 Candidates for the Parish Council Vacancy

Mr M Thompson & 3 colleagues from Bradda Dads

012/2007 Apologies for Absence

Cllr A Briggs, Cllr S Eyre

At this point it was resolved to suspend Standing Orders and to exclude the public in order to provide privacy while the members proceeded a) to interview the first candidate for the Parish Council vacancy, b) to listen to the presentation by Bradda Dads, c) to interview the second candidate for the vacancy and d) to elect the preferred candidate.

Cllr R Davies addressed the meeting to express his regret that a third candidate for the PC vacancy had not submitted an application to Cllr A Slater in time to be included. It was agreed that this was regrettable and that Cllr R Davies should encourage that candidate to stand again for the May elections.

The first candidate was then invited into the room, was interviewed and then left the room.

Mr M Thompson & 3 colleagues from Bradda Dads were then invited into the room. They then addressed the members. They felt that both the Bradda Dads organisation and the Parish Council had particular and complementary strengths, and that together, with improved communication, the two organisations could work together to the benefit of the village. A short discussion followed the end of their presentation and they then left the room.

The second candidate was then invited into the room, was interviewed and then left the room.

It was resolved that the method of selecting the candidate would be by show of hands.

It was resolved that Mr P Downing be elected to fill the casual vacancy on the council.

It was resolved to re-instate standing orders and to invite the public into the room.

013/2007 Minutes of previous meetings

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 9th January 2007 as a true record of the meeting by those members who had been present.

Proposed	Cllr B Hardy	Seconded	Cllr C Furness
For	4	Against	0
		Abstain	0

014/2007 Clerk's Report & Matters Arising

1	Affordable Housing	DDDC have now issued the housing needs survey that incorporates the additional NCHA questions. Once the responses have been processed, NCHA plans to organise workshops in the village.
2	Bradwell Sports Club (BSC)	Cllr J Lawson reported that the PDNPA response to the BSC application for Planning Permission had not yet been received. Once received, then BSC would apply for Charitable status.
3	Bradwell Brook	The issue of weed clearance has not yet been resolved. The Peak Angling Club is to be approached for help in clearing the Brook.
4	Beggars Plot Youth Shelter	The wording of this Agenda item is to be amended. Once the promised donations from PDNPA, DDDC & NCHA have been received, then the Clerk is to order the Shelter, without any provision for flooring. A local group is to be invited to help install flooring.
5	Bradwell Pre-School Play Group	No progress report had been received from the Pre-School Play Group.
6	RoSPA – Town Bottom	It was resolved that the Clerk should obtain another quote for laying wood chippings, and should contract the cheapest of the three quotes.
7	Casual Vacancy on Parish Council	The meeting had earlier elected Mr P Downing to be the new councillor.
8	Conveyance of Town Bottom land to Severn Trent	The Clerk had been advised that the conveyancing should be completed by the end of February.
9	Bradwell Parish Council Web Site	The Clerk is to produce a "residents' information page" for insertion into Bradwell News. The approach to the management of the BPC web site was deferred until the next meeting. The residents' information is then to be inserted on the Web Site.
10	Quality Council Status	The Clerk is to continue working to obtain the CiLCA certificate, and attend the next course on 14 th March.
11	Liaison with Bradda Dads	Mr M Thompson had earlier addressed the council.

015/2007 Finance

The following Parish Council financial authorisations were considered.

Agenda Items		
Payee	Amount (£)	Purpose
S Lawless	478.38	Clerk's salary, allowances & expenses
R Jarman	167.85	RFO salary and allowances
J Frith Maintenance	394.00	Village Caretaker charges
Derbyshire County Council	4,665.93	Grass Cutting charges for 2006 / 2007
Bradwell Sports Club	35.00	Room Hire
A Samwell	10.00	Cleaning Bus Shelter
Inland Revenue	265.10	PAYE Suspense Account

Late Arriving Invoices		
Payee	Amount: (£)	Purpose
None		

These financial authorisations were approved.

Proposed	Cllr S Cooke	Seconded	Cllr B Hardy
For	7	Against	0
		Abstain	0

The request, presented by Cllr J Lawson, for financial support for the purchase of a defibrillator from the St. John Ambulance First Responder Unit was considered. It was resolved to contribute 50% of the cost, up to £750, provided that a) the unit will be owned by and maintained by St. John Ambulance service, & b) it would remain in the village for the benefit of residents.

Cllr A Slater is to ask a member of the Carnival Committee to contact the owner of the Burger Operation to remind them that their contribution is still outstanding.

016/2007 Playing Fields & Village Caretaking

It was resolved to suspend Standing Orders to allow DDDC Cllr J Goodison to address the meeting.

Cllr. J Goodison agreed to ask DDDC to back-date payments for (un)locking the toilet block to the start of the financial year.

Re Policing, Cllr J Goodison complimented the Police for their presence & the Police van in the Village. She had asked for additional Police presence around the Memorial Hall during Pantomime week. She also advised residents that they could ask for additional Police presence when planning Village events.

Re Apprentice scheme, the DDDC has secured external funding to run an apprentice scheme for 14 -16 year olds in leisure services, leading to an NVQ. However, the current intake is over-subscribed.

There is concern that two of the NCHA houses are still unoccupied.

Cllr J Goodison advised the Council to obtain appropriate insurance for members, as it could cost a member c. £10k in legal expenses to clear their name in the event of a Standards Monitoring Board investigation. The Clerk is to arrange appropriate insurance.

It was resolved to restore Standing Orders.

Cllr J Lawson introduced the following item. Her son, Mr S Lawson, had received the offer, through the DDDC, of a tree to be planted in the name of her grandson as part of the National Tree Week campaign. Her son was keen to accept the offer, and wished to ask the council's permission to plant the tree on council land. Once the background of the offer had been presented, Cllr J Lawson left the room.

After discussion, it was resolved not to give permission for the tree to be planted on Parish land. It was suggested that Mr S Lawson should ask DDDC to suggest an appropriate location on DDDC or DCC land.

Cllr J Lawson then returned to the meeting.

Regarding the litter / gum around the village, a) it was proposed that it would be cheaper to buy equipment to remove gum rather than renting it, b) the Clerk is to arrange for the Caretaker to carry out two monthly litter sweep along the main road of the village, and c) it was noted that some village organisations were deciding whether to organise litter sweeps.

Regarding the donation of paint, Lafarge had cancelled the order for the paint. Cllr C Furness is to contact Lafarge to see if they will review this decision.

The Clerk is to contact Cllr A Briggs to convene a Carnival Committee meeting.

The requirement for Parish storage is to be retained on the agenda.

The Clerk is to arrange for cost of filling the grit bins to be reduced by moving grit between Parish bins. The Clerk is then to order the refilling of all grit bins, Parish & DCC, in the village.

The Clerk is to reply to the resident who complained about dog fouling.

The Clerk is to reply to the resident who complained about the position of the Youth Shelter.

The complaint about NCHA response to residents' complaints was noted.

017/2007 Planning Applications

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
New	18/01/07	NP DDD 0107 0038	Far Hill Cottage, Far Hill, Bradwell	Alterations & extension to form shower room & store
New	25/01/07	NP DDD 1006 0926	18, Michlow Close, Bradwell	Erection of satellite dish
Reviewed	05/01/07	NP DDD 1206 1151	South View, Smithy Hill, Bradwell	The Council objected to this application. Parish Council Comments:- "one too many extensions", "exceeds size restrictions".
Reviewed	05/01/07	NP DDD 1206 1168	Clifton House, Hill Head, Bradwell	The Council supported this application. Parish Council Comments:- "Reasonable extension", "Big Improvement".
Reviewed	05/01/07	NP DDD 0107 0006	Lillegarth, Smalldale, Bradwell	The Council supported this application. Parish Council Comments:- "garages are needed in Smalldale", "a good development", "steps over building line".
Reviewed	21/12/06	NP DDD 1106 1090	Brookside Cottage, Brookside, Bradwell	The Council supported this application. Parish Council Comments:- "This application is strongly supported", "Concerned at the increased demands for parking", "The development has already started prior to permission".
Reviewed	21/12/06	NP DDD 1206 1107	8 Hallgate View, Bradwell	The Council supported this application. Parish Council Comments:- "in keeping with the area".
Granted	None			
Rejected	None			
Appeal	None			

No issues were raised with the above Planning Applications.

018/2007 Highways, Rights of Way & Open Spaces

The concern about the 'Millennium Tree' on the verge near Elliott Avenue is to be put on the next Agenda.

The Clerk is to get three quotes for the spraying the Japanese Knotweed on the parish plot in Bradwell Dale.

**019/2007 Reports From Council Representatives On Outside Bodies/
Attendance at External Meetings – Relationships with Local
Authorities & Other Bodies**

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
	Lafarge Liaison Meeting. Cllr C Furness reported that Lafarge were reviewing the options for road access to their works, and that access through Bradwell was one of the options.	Cllr C Furness

The council had been advised of the following new meetings:-

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
5 th Feb. 2007	PDNPA – Planning Surgeries at Losehill Hall 5 th Feb from 1:00 – 4:00 27 th Feb from 4:00 – 7:00	
14 th Feb 2007	R3N – Consultative Workshop on the Future of the Post Office Network to be held at the Council Chamber, DDDC, Matlock 14 th Feb. from 10:00 – 13:00	
5 th March 2007	DDDC – Area Community Forums 5 th March at Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell 12 th March at Bonsall Village Hall 19 th March at Doveridge Village Hall	

Due to time pressure, no attendances were agreed, but councillors are to let the Clerk know if they wished to attend.

020/2007 Publications / Information Received

Communications Requiring Action / Decision

Date of Information	Description
10/01/07	DCC – Request for support in opposing the proposed Reorganisation of Local Probation Services. No decision was agreed.
25/01/07	NPS – Community Payback – Request for suggestions for Projects Members are to consider appropriate projects.
30/01/07	ODPM – Consultation Package for Proposals to amend Part C of Building Regulations. Document is to be filed for reference.
31/01/07	DRCC – Invitation to enter the 2007 Calor Derbyshire Village of the Year competition. It was decided not to apply.

Communications for Information:

Date of Information	Description
09/01/07	SACRE - Annual Report 2005 / 2006
12/01/07	DALC – Circular 01/2007 - Index of Topics
17/01/07	Letter from Post office in response to letter from Council re P.O. Closures
19/01/07	DALC – Circular 02/2007 - Disability Discrimination Act
19/01/07	DALC – Circular 03/2007 – Keeping of Documents
21/01/07	Broadland Group Ltd. – Environmental & Hygiene Consultancy
21/01/07	DRCC – Rural Matters - Winter 2006 / 2007
21/01/07	DRCC – Introductory Letter from Rural Housing Enabler
29/01/07	DALC – Circular 04/2007 – Draft Freedom of Information & Data Protection Regulations 2007 – Consultation Paper
29/01/07	DCC – Booklets giving Information on Supporting People
31/01/07	DCC – Booklet on Countryside Service Events in Derbyshire 2007

No requests were made to have access to these publications.

021/2007 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday 6th March 2007 in the Methodist Hall starting at 7.30 p.m.

Month	Date	Venue	Comment
January	09/01/07	Memorial Hall	
February	06/02/07	Methodist Hall	
March	06/03/07	Methodist Hall	
April	03/04/07	Methodist Hall	Parish Meeting
May	08/05/07	Memorial Hall	Annual Meeting of Parish Council; Post-Election: Acceptance of Office
June	05/06/07	Methodist Hall	
July	03/07/07	Methodist Hall	
August	None	Methodist Hall	
September	04/09/07	Methodist Hall	
October	02/10/07	Methodist Hall	
November	06/11/07	Methodist Hall	
December	04/12/07	Methodist Hall	

The meeting closed at 10.18