

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BRILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 21st JANUARY 2020 AT BRILL MEMORIAL HALL AT 8.00 PM**

**Present Cllr Dickinson, Cllr Bugey, Cllr Newman, Cllr Cadle, Cllr Turner, Cllr Fisher
Cllr Macpherson (B.C.C.) and 1 member of the public.**

- 020/001 To receive and accept the apologies for absence
Cllr Hamilton and Cllr Newman**
- 020/002 Any Declarations of Interest - None**
- 020/003 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting - Approved**
- 020/004.1 Planning - None**
- 020/004.2 Decisions Received –**
- [Change side wall finish from render to feather edge oak cladding \(amendment to planning permission 17/01588/APP\)](#)
27 The Square Brill Buckinghamshire HP18 9RP
Ref. No: 19/04221/APP | Received: Wed 27 Nov 2019 | Validated: Wed 27 Nov 2019 | Status: Approved
 - [Submission of details pursuant to Condition 3 - Details of mortar colour and style of proposed re-pointing](#)
The Old School House 5 The Green Brill Buckinghamshire HP18 9RU
Ref. No: 19/A2368/DIS | Received: Thu 21 Nov 2019 | Validated: Mon 25 Nov 2019 | Status: Approved
 - [Rebuild a brick wall](#)
Brill United Reformed Church High Street Brill Buckinghamshire HP19 9ST
Ref. No: 19/04028/ALB | Received: Thu 07 Nov 2019 | Validated: Thu 07 Nov 2019 | Status: Consent Granted
 - [Installation of 22.50m high swann engineering column](#)
Land At Wotton End Kingswood Lane Wotton Underwood Buckinghamshire HP18 9RB
Ref. No: 19/03830/ATN | Received: Mon 21 Oct 2019 | Validated: Mon 21 Oct 2019 | Status: Planning Permission Required
 - [Rebuild a brick wall](#)
Brill United Reformed Church High Street Brill Buckinghamshire HP18 9ST

Ref. No: 19/03114/APP | Received: Thu 22 Aug 2019 | Validated: Tue 03 Sep 2019 | Status: Approved

- 002/004.3** **Enforcement Issues - The Pointer – 18 Church Street**
Construction of outbuilding which appears to contravene planning in terms of size and proximity to the boundary – The PC have asked the Enforcement team to investigate
- 002/005** * **Street Lights – Clerk chasing paperwork and confirmation of Gvt. Grant.**
Action Clerk
- 020/006** **Common Land**
- 020/006.1** **The Walks – No update at present.**
- 020/006.2** **Lot Mead Access - The Parish Council have withdrawn their objection to the right of access as they believe it would not be a good use of public money to defend. Their withdrawal has been acknowledged by the Land Registry legal team. The Clerk will also send confirmation of this to the land owners solicitor**
- 020/006.3** **16 South Hills – The steel has been removed and the Parish Council will continue to Monitor.**
- 020/006.4** **Maintenance Span Green**
The Parish Council will explore the option of a single bar barrier with stobbs at either side. They must ensure that this complies to the regulations for common land.
Update the land owner
Need to start clearing the scrub on Span Green, review in February.
Action Cllr Turner
Action Clerk
Action Clerk to add to the agenda
- 020/007** **Cambridge to Oxford expressway – NEG (No Expressway Group) have a meeting scheduled with Cllr Greg Smith in February, where they intend to find out what his objections to the Expressway are and how they can support it. They intend to continue to put pressure on the Transport Secretary – Grant Shapps**
- 020/008** **Website updates - Cllr Fisher had no exceptional updates to report.**
- 020/009** **MVAS Cllr Fisher advised that his machine had crashed, but this was post circulating the data to all. All agreed to move the MVAS to Tram Hill where high speeds had been noted following the resurfacing work. This will take place on the 28th January 2020.**
Action Cllr's Fisher and Dickinson
- 020/010** **Parking – Cllr Dickinson agreed to mark up a definitive map and engage Cllr Macpherson's support.**
Action Cllr
- 020/011** **MUGA – Cllr Buggy had no further update at this time.**
- 020/012** **Colley Close – lighting – The Management co. have now advised that Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust (VAHT) are responsible for the bollard lighting. The Clerk investigated this only to be advised that the lighting in question has been located on VAHT land without approval. VAHT have insisted on its removal. The Clerk will advise that the PC cannot get involved with the lighting here as a result**
Action Clerk to advise

020/013 * Financial report – The overspend in office rent is due to late invoices and the annual budget of £800 will adequately cover the projected spend of £700 moving forward. The overspend in legal expenses relates to the advice sought on the Lot Mead access, concluding in a decision to risk not further public spend. The reserve from the underspend in the training budget will be carried forward to the next Financial year where additional spend will be required for any newly appointed Councillors. Additional funds in this area will hopefully encourage interest in the role.

Action Clerk

020/014 * To update on the new council and discuss holding an open meeting for potential candidates to find out more about the Parish Councillor role and confirm the advert

Cllr Macpherson provided an update on the new Council earlier in the meeting. She advised that all of the Senior Leadership team had been appointed and the new Buckinghamshire Council CEO, Rachael Shimmin, had implemented changes in Durham. The recruitment of six corporate directors (level 2 appointments) has been completed bar one role and level 3 roles have also been recruited to. The process to TUPE employees across will take place by 1/4/20 with the new Unitary Council operating from the 1st April, albeit between then and the 7th of May when the elections for the Unitary Councillors take place will be a transitional period politically. During the ‘interregnum’ period Cllr Macpherson will continue to sit on the Shadow Executive board and councillors on key committees such as planning and licensing will also continue their work to avoid a build up of a backlog of applications.

The elections for Parish Councillors and Police and Crime Commissioner will also take place on 7th May with the ballot being counted on the 8th,9th and 10th respectively.

For the new Buckinghamshire Council there will be 3 member wards based on the current footprint of the county council ‘divisions’. So each ward will be represented by 3 unitary councillors who will serve all parishes for all council provided services. There will be 147 Councillors in total which is a net decrease of 55 from the current 202. It is likely there will be a boundary review in the first term of the Council which will further reduce these numbers. The first term of the new Council will run for 5 years to 2025. The same for parishes.

Cllr Macpherson to advise on how information regarding elections will be disseminated

Action Cllr Macpherson

The aim of the new Council is to ensure that as a large unitary it is not remote from local people and parishes.

These are exciting times with new Town and Parish Charters to be tried and tested.

16 Community Boards will replace the 19 Local Area Forums and increased funds will be available for key community projects. Councillor representation will be key and the system will deliver a level playing field with one representative per parish or town council.

Community Access points, using existing Council and community buildings, will be made available locally and these provide more local accessibility for residents requiring face to face contact with their Council. The nearest to Brill will be in Haddenham

An enhanced devolved services offer will also empower local/parish Councils to manage their own facilities and maintenance work. Cllr Macpherson reminded the Parish Council of the deadline to express an interest in a pilot for increased devolved services, of [the 31st January](#). Brill Parish Council will give this serious consideration and advise accordingly. Action All
The contact is Claire Hawkes at the county council.

An increase to 5 planning boards across the county with 2 in Aylesbury Vale will help to improve the planning service.

Transfer of assets will be available to town and parish where applicable looking at each business case when submissions of interest are received from parishes.
The Budget: The Shadow Authority Council is currently working through the medium term financial plan for the new authority and Adult social care and children's services represent c. 70% of the total.

The role of the Parish Council is key within the new Unitary Council. Moving forward there will be more forums for Parish Councils and much more transparency. We must ensure that we can move forward from the elections with a full compliment of committed Parish Councillors.
To this end it was agreed to create a suitable advert for the role of Parish Councillor and consider the benefits of holding an open meeting to promote this and update on the new Unitary Council. Action All

The Clerk will draft an advert for the role of Parish Councillor for review to include the availability of training and the opportunity to get involved in exciting initiatives, like the MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) Area Clerk

- 020/015 * To review the Correspondence Report
All items were addressed and the Clerk will communicate accordingly.
- 020/016 * To review the report of Outstanding Parish Council Issues
Community boards and access points will be future agenda items
- 020/017 * To review the report of Repairs, Defects and Queries
All potholes will be reported again with appropriate priority. Action Clerk
- 020/018 Requests and Permissions – None
- 020/019 Report on meetings attended by Councillors - Cllr Cadle will attend the BSSC meeting on the 22nd and will ask the committee to revisit the request for a footpath from the Temple Street access to the field to the club. Action Cllr Cadle
- 020/020 Receipts and Payments – The hall committee produced a warranty for the roof work and confirmed their satisfaction with it.

Receipts – January

Santander	49.43 Interest
BCC	128.37 Devolution

It was proposed by Cllr Dickinson and seconded by Cllr Buggy that the following payments be approved. Carried unanimously

Payments - January

R Timms	25.00 Bins
G Govier	20.00 Clearing paths
N Power	404.04 Street lighting

BT	52.78Charges
Lesley Shaw	619.50 Clerk salary
Aspire	480.00 Grass cutting
Oxford Oak	4596.96Tree work – The Walks
Oxford Oak	240.00Tree work – Playing field
The Forge	40.00 Hall Window bars
Derek Turner	49.92 Walks Tree Stakes
Brill Society	2000.00Windmill Grant
Aylesbury Vale District Council	654.34 Dog bins
BVCH	600.00 Quarterly donation
WRPS Roofing Contractors	7158.00 Roof work – Memorial hall

Meeting closed at 9.50pm

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