

Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council - Minutes

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, 14th May 2019, at the Church Room, The Church of St Lawrence, Church Lane, Bramshall, ST14 5BQ. The meeting commenced at 7.25pm.

Present: Cllrs: Mrs J. Pattinson-Evans, Mrs G Smith, Messrs. T. Ollerenshaw (Chair), D. Oulsnam, P. Smith, M. Slater (Vice Chair), A Dartnell and the clerk. Members of Public: Mr and Mrs Moore, Ann Walker, Dave Gregory.

19.05.001 APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF ABSENCES – Cllr Dunn

19.05.002 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS. NONE

19.05.003 TO GIVE NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY FOR BRAMSHALL - Local Government Act 1972 S.87(2) – The notice went onto website 23.04.2019. Councillors asked Clerk to send to Bramshall Newsletter and put a notice on Bramshall Noticeboards.

19.05.004 TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF PARISH MEETING HELD ON 2nd April 2019 ARE A CORRECT RECORD - RESOLVED

19.05.005 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ABOUT PROGRESS OF RESOLUTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- ELECTIONS 2nd May 2019– UPDATE
East Staffordshire Borough Council Returning Officer, Andy O’Brien, confirmed an uncontested election for Stramshall and an uncontested election for Bramshall – with one place on Bramshall to be co-opted. Representation of the People Act 1985(s21)2(a). The power to co-opt can be exercised at any time. Notices on website 09.04.2019 Notice for Casual Vacancy on website 23.04.2019. Uncontested election of Abbey Ward Borough Councillor – Cllr Colin Whittaker. All Councillors advised to return expenses forms back to ESBC by 30.05.2019 – SPCA bulletin 11th April 2019
- POLICE COMMISSIONERS – ROAD SAFETY FUND – The Clerk applied for £5000 towards the cost of installing two permanent Speed Indicators Signs in Stramshall – total cost of project £5280 – submitted on 09.04.2019 – The panel meets on 28.05.2019 to make its decision on funding.
- Allotment Ditch – A discussion took place on maintenance. Clerk to meet with Cllr Oulsnam, WH Durose to view ditch and make decision about when maintenance needs to take place.
- McDonalds Litter and Local Litter Picking Group.
Clerk contacted McDonalds and carried out a site visit of the area to be included in McDonalds community litter pick. The Manager, Matt Sales, agreed to widen their community litter pick area to include Spath footpath, Spath layby and Stramshall Road to Spath Car Wash. They will include this area twice a week. Clerk informed resident with original request of the outcome.

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- ALLOTMENT WATER TROUGH AND WATER BUTTS.

Clerk obtained a quote from WH Durose to install a water trough on the edge of plot 12A. £632 + VAT.

Blue Water Barrels x 6 were donated by Cllr Slater and delivered to site by WH Durose – these are to be used by plot holders at the far end of the site.

Lengthy discussion took place about quote and Councillors voted to accept quote get the trough installed before the next meeting.

Discussion took place about a second trough and Clerk was instructed to request a quote for a second trough and to look for funding. Clerk to write to each allotment holder, explaining plans for water, advising no hoses to be used, no water pumps to be used. If hoses are used it will be seen as a Breach of contract, and the plot holders' contract will be terminated.

19.05.006 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION*

The Clerk received an email from one of the members of the public, Ann Walker, see correspondence below, this was discussed and Councillors agreed they should have communicated about the hose being removed. Mr Gregory suggested that the water pressure to the site be reduced so hoses could be used.

The uneven path on allotment was discussed and Clerk had obtained a quote to level the 7 flag stones needed to ensure no trip hazard. Clerk made a site visit and Councillors voted to get path levelled by next meeting.

19.05.007 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS: NEW

P/2019/00375 - Dagdale Farm, Dagdale Lane, Dagdale, Bramshall ST14 5BJ - Conversion and alterations of an existing agricultural building to form dwelling including an extension to provide a garage – comments:

Objection to this application as under ESBC Local Plan, extensions are not allowed to former farm buildings. (this new build addition is approx. 20% of existing floor area). The applicant has made the assumption in the application that an extension would be allowed in the future, so doing it now would be acceptable, this is not correct. Also, this is a single-track road to the development, unsuitable for the multiple developments being proposed on this site. Added 17.04.2019

P/2019/00431 - Waterloo Park, JCB World Parts Centre Uttoxeter Road Beamhurst Uttoxeter ST14 5PA - Extension to existing service yard and re-profiling of existing bund – No comment added 23.04.2019

P/2019/00338 - Kingfisher Lodge Caverswall Lane Lower Loxley ST14 8RZ - Erection of a detached double garage and workshop and installation of septic tank – No comment added 23.04.2019

P/2019/00426 - JCB Golf and Country Club Hollington Road Rocester ST14 5HY- Retention of Pergola – No comment added 08.05.2019

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P/2019/00522 – Loxley Bank Farm Loxley Lane Loxley Green ST14 8QB- Prior approval for the conversion of an agricultural building to a dwelling – comments by 03.06.2019 Clerk sent Planning Officer questions about the size of this barn and length of time livestock housed. Clerk forwarded response to Councillors.

Comments to be added to application are:

URPC would like the Planning Officer to investigate the size of this barn and carry out a site visit to determine if it is big enough to have housed livestock. Councillors would like agricultural evidence to be checked by ESBC.

APPEALS

P/2018/01235 - Former Barn High Street Stramshall Staffordshire - Conversion of existing barn to a dwelling - APPEAL LODGED – 07.05.2019

DECISIONS

P/2019/00245- Greenacres Farm Cullamore Lane Willslock Staffordshire ST14 8NJ- Formation of a stone access track and extension to existing agricultural building to include a feed storage area for cattle (Phase 1) – PERMITS

P/2019/00228-Greenacres Farm Cullamore Lane Willslock Staffordshire ST14 8NJ - Formation of a stone access track and extension to existing agricultural building to create a safer and more spacious living area for cattle (Phase 2) –PERMITS

19.05.008 TO RECEIVE ANNUAL REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR – Cllr Atkins

All county councillors are to be allocated £20,000 each to prioritise highways work in their own local communities. There is an additional £5 million this year on top of the annual £7.5 Million spend on highway maintenance. The one-off £20 K is on top of annual £7K funding for highways each member must allocate to local roads. A50 Project B not being finalised til 2025. Project B is in the Road investment strategy Programme for delivery by 2025.

Councillors discussed the delay in Project B, as it has implications to traffic volume in Stramshall and lanes used by JCB staff to avoid the traffic jams at McDonalds roundabout.

Clerk to draft a letter, highlighting need to bring project deadline forward and to highlight new JCB factory will increase traffic.

19.05.009 TO RECEIVE ORAL REPORT FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR - Cllr Whittaker

Cllr Whittaker sent an email report – Colin was elected at ESBC Councillor on an uncontested basis. He would like to highlight that he is available for any help that he can give to residents and the Parish Councils, within his Ward – Abbey Ward.

19.05.0010 FINANCE AND ANNUAL AUDIT– TO CONSIDER & AUTHORISE PAYMENTS OF LIST BELOW:

Information Commissioners Office confirmed Direct Debit set up for £35 per year. Toplis Associates provided a report to go with the internal audit – sent to Councillors on 26.04.2019.

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Cheque Number	Details	Amount £
15/SO	Mrs VRE Gibson – Clerk wages	286.08
15a/DD	Pennon Water – allotment monthly DD	50
16/017	Toplis Associates Ltd – Internal Audit	157.60 + 31.52 VAT = 189.12
17/018	SPCA Good Councillors Guide	9
18/0019	SJL Landscapes Ltd – cut 1 & 2 of 11 of Parish Areas	£464.29 + VAT 92.86 = total 557.15
19/0020	Mrs VRE Gibson – Clerk expenses	£36.96
20/021	Doveridge Landscapes – Stramshall Church yard – 2 cuts	£96
Received		
Plot 12A Rent	Deposited 17.04.2019	7.06
Wayleave payment	Deposited 17.04.2019	16.14
ESBC	Half Precept	7,736
HMRC	VAT	686.80
Account Balances	01.05.2019	
Lloyds	14,969.95	
Leek BS	4,330.21	

19.05.0011 CORRESPONDENCE

Email from resident about illegal hare coursing on pigeonhay lane – forwarded to PCSO 05.04.2019

Road Closure notice – 5th May – half marathon in Uttoxeter – put on website 16.04.2019

email from Creative Play with regards to maintenance – Clerk requested the platform on the multiplay be looked at, as water still collecting, this request was first made on 23.10.2018 sent again on 16.04.2019 Telephone 01244375627 E: claire.garrett@creativeplayuk.com

IRONMAN 70.3 Staffordshire is looking for volunteers – 9th June – put on website

Woodland Trust – sent details about caring for trees on playing fields.

County Council's website explaining how parish councils can take more responsibility for maintenance of their local public rights of way can be found at:- <http://www.highwaysyourway.info/>

SPCA are running a Chairman Skills course - Wednesday 12 June 2019 – cost £20

SPCA new Councillor training booked for Cllr Dartnell – 29th May 2019

Sections 59 to 75 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. (Section 87 and 88 Environmental Protection Act 1990 (As amended by Section 19 Clean Neighbourhoods and Environmental Act 2005) – replied 24.04.2019 to Kelsey.Sharp@eaststaffsbc.gov.uk to say to keep the existing areas. PCSO could not support the inclusion of Stramshall Playing Fields for prohibit Alcohol. 26.04.2019.

European Election 23rd May 2019– nominated Candidates and Polling Stations added to website 26.04.2019.

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DSK Engineering – April Play Inspection Report received 07.05.2019

Email from resident about Allotment Water (edited) -28.04.2019 - I am very concerned the URPC is only considering one trough. One trough is unlikely to be enough to cover all the allotments adequately or safely. The current tenants are quite diverse in age and physical abilities. I am respectfully suggesting the URPC consider installing two or more water troughs to help eliminate potential access problems to older or less able-bodied. May I remind the Council it has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 when exercising its functions to 'remove or minimise disadvantages'. In this particular case, the specific equality characteristics being age and disability (seen and unseen). Allotment Path - perhaps it should also be looking at the condition of the central path, as it is fast becoming a serious trip hazard. My final point concerns the very attractive notice board at the entrance gate to the allotments. Can I make a suggestion that it is used for notices to update allotment holders about changes. Councillors RESOLVED to repair footpath and to get a quote for second trough, see 19.05.005 above.

Email from Network Rail – about installation of COVTEC warning device on Langridge No.2 (Uttoxeter Rural 0.782(b)) Public Footpath Level Crossing - G.R. SK117317 – Cllr Dartnell to investigate and update the next meeting on the location.

Email about new bus routes – put onto website.

PCSO Key Engagement Day, 18th May, Olive Tree, Stramshall, 11am – 3pm – on website

Email from resident about speeding traffic on Mallens Croft, Bramshall. Councillors discussed solution and will gain 30 mph signs for the dustbins for Mallens Croft houses and the Speed Watch Team will look to carry out a session on this area of Bramshall.

Canal Milepost – Footpath Repairs – Clerk received photos of the two stiles that need repairs – Clerk will confirm with Canal Milepost Group their offer to install and will request 2 stile kits from SCC. Cllr Smith will pick up the stiles.

19.05.12 CLERK UPDATE

Clerk attended the SLCC Managing Local Council Election 10.04.2019 – webinar – Clerk created a New Councillor Pack as a result and sent to Chair for editing. New Councillor pack issued to Cllr Dartnell on 08.05.2019
St Lawrence Church – safe guarding policy sent to Chair for signing and returned to St Lawrence Church.

Website Data Audit – Eric Roy will complete by end of June, as requested by Clerk – report will be available for July meeting.

Eric Roy will set up emails for all Councillors, except Philip Smith and Gladys Smith during May.

Thank you, letter, sent to Cllr C Whittaker (Borough) for WW1 Bench funds 23.04.2019

Allotment Tenant Update – 12A tenant gave notice - Clerk wrote to Plot 12A tenant to ask if they would require a refund.

New Plot 12A tenant issued with a contact and strawberry farm agreement form. Rent paid into Lloyds

Wayleave Fee from Electricity Board arrived – paid into Lloyds

Quote for Heather requested from Strawberry Garden Centre 16.04.2019 - Heathers for Bramshall Plaque – 25 Heathers – total £50 but not able to

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plant.

SJL Landscapes: To supply 25no assorted heathers at the front of the Bramshall Plaque our price is £95 + VAT. – Councillors RESOLVED to award SJL Landscapes the contract.

Creative Play will send a maintenance Team to look at the platform on the multi play in Stramshall Playing Fields - 16.04.2019 – Cllr Ollerenshaw updated meeting that a team was sent but solution not acceptable. Clerk to ask for a replacement platform landing.

Clerk received UCO Data certificate – uploaded onto website.

Requested guidance on the process for a Vehicle Count for Stramshall High Street from SCC on 10.05.2019

Clerk wrote to Bramshall Football Parking – Darren Gascoigne 10.05.2019 to ask for players to park on pitch and roadside not pavement. Darren agreed to this over the telephone.

Clerk did a site visit of allotments path – as per email from resident and took photos – WH Durose advised that at least 7 of the slabs needed to be levelled and would be a days work - £200 plus sand £20 + VAT

PARISH COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCES – ESBC confirmed that Councillor allowances for Ink are not set. Councillors RESOLVED to make a one-off payment of £11.50 for ink to new Councillor, but all printing to go through Clerk.

Clerk not able to carry out the below, due to lack of time:

Letter to Mrs Thacker – Advised by Councillors this now RESOLVED

Follow up on Beamhurst Bin Request

Gain report from Cllr Oulsnam to update Council on posts by gate in playing fields entrance,

Bin by Green Near Stramshall Telephone Box AND BRAMSHALL

St Michaels Road, sides of road erosion to report

19.05.0013 - COUNCILLORS REPORTS (information only)

Clerk to gain an update on S106 funding for Stramshall from SCC

Bramshall Noticeboard by WW1 Bench needs attention.

Finger post in Bramshall needs repair – advised that historic reasons that it is not repaired.

DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING:

The date of the next meeting was set for Tuesday, 4th June 2019 at 7.45 pm at Stramshall Village Hall, Vicarage Drive, Stramshall. ST14 5DL. The meeting was formally closed at 21.07.

.....CHAIRMAN