BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on 20th July 2021 at 7.30pm at the Jubilee Pavilion.

Present: Cllrs S.Robosn (Chair), G.Gilgrass, J.Davys, J.Debney, J.Harding, C.Collett, J.Dayvs, S.Jackson, B.Nielson,

In attendance: K. Fanstone (Clerk)

Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from H. Bains, A. Simpson, P.Sudbury

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 15th June 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th June 2021 were approved and will be signed by Sue in the Parish Office.

Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

4 Public Participation

Mrs Southwell attended the meeting to observe.

5 Clerks Report

The Parish Council has confirmed the pitch fee's for the 19/20 season from the clubs, Katie will need to go back to them to finalise the 20/21 fee's.

Moving forward it would be good to receive the payment for the current season and stop the one year in arrears.

There has been no more noise complaints from Kings Orchard. The Parish Council has spoken to some of the other neighbours that back on the Meadow and play area and they have not heard any anti-social behaviour or noise. Katie to write a follow up email.

The Parish Council had held a meeting with the Pavilion committee, Tony has stepped down as bookings clerk and cleaner, looking for a replacement has already started. Eliot Forster and Steph DiMassa have also agreed to set up a working party to look at the re development of the Pavilion, they are keen to get going on this and Bob stressed that this must be started soon as possible to meet the CIL money time scales.

During the discussion about CIL Money, Graham updated the council on the latest situation with the village hall. They are now ready to have another trustee's meeting and will be arranging a meeting with the liaison group week beginning 28th July. Graham requested a separate meeting to the monthly PC meeting in early September for the trustees to update the full council on the plans and financial requirements. Graham requested that the Village Hall is included on the agenda every month for the foreseeable future.

Henge 21 had submitted a donation request form for their festival later on in the year. The Parish Council welcome the idea of a festival incorporating all the surrounding villages but require some more information on the constitution of Henge 21 before any decision on a donation can be made, Katie to write to Henge 21.

Planning Report

Ref	Description	Decision
P21/S873/HH	The Mound	Planning Committee to
		write a response
P21/S2917/FUL	Acorn House	Planning Committee to
		write a response
P21/S2969/HH	Denham Mead	Approved

Celia updated the Council on the latest developments on the Nursery Lane planning application, planning has requested that Frank submit a Certificate B to all the residents on Nursery Lane, once this process has been completed, they will be able to make a decision on the planning amendment application. Celia and Sue will write a letter together to go out to all the residents. Frank will hold a full site meeting once a decision has been made; the Parish Council will also attend the meeting.

During a conversation with Benson Parish Council, they explained they had managed to identify certain properties as heritage assets, this might be something to think about when we review our neighbourhood plan.

Agree June's Payments for approval

Payee and reason	total
K. Fanstone – Clerk's Salary	£611.52
IAC Internal audit fee's	£210.00
Scofell June	£769.63

Matters for Discussion/Decision

- a) The Parish Council budget and latest spending was circulated before the meeting and Janet presented the first quarterly review of where we are. It still very early in the year and spending has been low, but there are still some big things to be paid for this year, but we are currently in a good position.
- b) Jason has had no response from his letter to Kingerlee, there has been some progress with watering the open spaces, but we are still no further on having the site to a standard where we would feel happy to take it over. Between themselves the residents have agreed on maintaining certain areas which is great, Jason is in contact with the resident group trying to get everything resolved and will continue to liaise with them.
- c) There is still a lot of flooding and sodden areas on Watermans Lane, we need confirmation of where the water is running from, Jason to contact Ollie at Kingerlee to rule out that its not coming from the Little Martins stand pipe. Jason to report back and if is not Kingerlee we will need to look at whether it is a Thames Water issue or a high running spring.
- d) Celia, Helen, Sue and Jason had attended a really productive meeting with the Slade End development group. It is still really early in the process with the neighbours to be consulted next, but by September they should have full plans and hope to come to the Parish Council meeting and present to everyone.

e) The cobs wall in the churchyard has badly crumbled, it has been strapped up as a temporary fix. Jason suggested bringing back an idea to apply for a Heritage grant to fix the wall, this would involve training local people in cob walling and even possibly extending the wall. All agreed it was a brilliant idea and Jason will start the application and report back.

Matters for report and inclusion on December Agenda

James has arranged for a working party to spend a day in Millennium wood again in September, all agreed that a bit of work could be done on the entrance of the wood to tidy it up and make it a bit more inviting. Bob willing to help clear some of the entrance and Katie to look into getting a nice wooden sign for the entrance.

Jason still chasing OCC re the trees that are still waiting to be chopped down.

A window in the red box gallery has been broken, Katie will contact Chris Bains to arrange a replacement

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council would take place on Tuesday 21st September 2021 at 7.30pm. There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.10 pm.