

Brinsworth Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2021

Those present :

Chair : Cllr C L Jones

Vice-Chair : Cllr K L Hollis

Councillors : Cllr A Buckley, Cllr J R Gelder, Cllr P Gregory, Cllr T Hannan, Cllr A Nocton, Cllr S Ridge, Cllr M Rollinson, Cllr J Watson

Officers : Mrs G Blank, Mrs J Huddleston

2574 Public Question Time (20 minutes)

A resident from Bonet Lane was in attendance to highlight the problem of traffic at the top of Bonet Lane and a number of recent accidents there. Councillors agreed this was an ongoing cause for concern. Ward Councillor Carter said he would speak to the resident after the meeting and Mandy Ardron said she would take it to highways department.

Cllr Sarah Allen attended the meeting to discuss the Joint Working Group made up of RMBC staff and representatives from Parish Councils to facilitate two way conversations and closer working relationships. Earlier work had found Parish Councils did not feel connected to each other or the Borough, that they weren't consulted and struggled to get clear information from planning. Work has been done to rectify this with Parish Councils now a required consultee for RMBC, and the Joint Working Group provides a space for Parish Councils to set the agenda and raise common issues. She also highlighted training that was being arranged on common issues such as planning, emergency planning, use of media and code of conduct. Cllr Allen explained the Joint Working Agreement will be out soon and that she would be happy to come back to the meeting any time to discuss this or any other issues.

2575 Apologies

Apologies have been received from Cllr Chatwyn and the reason given was approved.

2576 Declaration of Members' Interests

The Chair asked members to express any declarations of interest either now or prior to the relevant item being discussed.

2577 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on :-

14th October 2021

RESOLVED: That the minutes from the meeting held on 14th October 2021 are approved as a true and accurate record.

2578 To Receive Information on Ongoing Issues and Decide Further Action Where Necessary

2564 - Anti-Social Behaviour - The Clerk told Councillors that the Police had viewed residents' CCTV and visited some of the youths causing trouble. Problems are still occurring and residents are requesting more support from the Police and a camera for the area.

Councillors were reminded to let the Clerk/Deputy Clerk know of any issues with the draft minutes when they are sent out.

2579 Community Issues

- To receive information and make any necessary decisions arising from issues raised from:-

a) Police - none.

RESOLVED: The Clerk agreed to contact the Police for information or a report to pass on to the meetings as staff are unable to attend.

b) Ward Councillors - Cllr Adam Carter reported that the results of the young persons consultation had been shared with the Parish Council and he was engaging with schools. Funding into improving the appearance of Brinsworth Local Mart (Costcutter) was being looked into. He has received some entries for the park signs competition and would be deciding winners in a couple of weeks. Feedback on supplying dog waste bags was looking positive. Cllr Carter discussed steps being taken to resolve issues on the black path which involved early help engaging with young people to see what diversionary activities could be set up, looking if the existing camera in that area needed repairing to discourage anti-social behaviour (exploring match funding a new one with the Parish Council if it is broken), more lighting and cutting back vegetation in that area. Work on the planters is ongoing, with the next step being getting the licence for them. Cllr Carter reported that the solar compactor bin has been installed. Cllr Buckley said that Parish Council litter pickers had reported that people didn't seem to know how to use it properly so more rubbish is collecting around that area.

RESOLVED: It was agreed to include how to use this bin in the Parish Council newsletter.

c) Others - The Clerk explained that the Parish Office and Attendants are receiving numerous complaints about dogs off their leads on the parks which have led to dogs attacking others. There is a byelaw saying dogs must be on a lead at all times when on the park, which would need Secretary of State approval to be changed.

RESOLVED: That a dog exercise area would be discussed on a future agenda and the Clerk would look for extra signs to display around the parks.

2580 Policies

- To consider and approve the Recruitment Policy

The Deputy Clerk reported that previous changes had been made to the policy. The Chair identified one change missed.

RESOLVED: That the policy is approved with the final change made and the Deputy Clerk would email the final version of this policy to Councillors next week.

2581 Reports

The Deputy Clerk explained the report on developing a Climate Policy.

RESOLVED: That a Climate Policy Working Party would be set up in the new year.

The Clerk reported that she had attended Committee Training with the Deputy Clerk and will be writing a report for Councillors to consider on how the Parish Council committees are set up.

The Clerk reported she had attended Community Infrastructure Levy training on how the CIL money from new housing developments must be spend and publicised on the website.

The Clerk and Cllr Buckley reported back from the Joint Working Party that the Joint Working Agreement between Parish Councils and RMBC would soon be circulated, and that the group had discussed Neighbourhood Plan support, consistency in emails from RMBC and information sessions for Councillors and Clerks.

2582 Planning

a) To receive RMBC Planning Lists

RB2021/1926 - NMA to change facing brickwork to side & rear and first floor to render at 16 Boundary Walk - Noted

b) To receive an update on applications previously considered

RB2021/1557 - Proposed single-storey side and rear extension at 3 Willowgarth Avenue - Granted Conditionally - Noted

2583 Correspondence

For Action:

a) City Fibre - Wayleave Agreement for Brinsworth Library - Councillors were informed that a request had been received to lay fibre optic cables on Council land near the Library.

RESOLVED: That this request is approved as long as any disruption to land/paths is rectified properly

b) RMBC Snow Warden Partnership - The Clerk explained this partnership to Councillors and what it would involve.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council would not go ahead with this.

c) Who is Your Neighbour - Meeting Request - A request for Councillors to attend a meeting to find out about this initiative had been received

RESOLVED: That the Clerk would invite the Who is your Neighbour co-ordinator to a Parish Council meeting.

For Information:

- a) RMBC Neighbourhood - Newsletter - noted
- b) YLCA - Updates, Training Bulletins and Webinars - noted
- c) SYPCC - Blog - noted
- d) VAR - Bulletins - noted
- e) Rural Action Yorkshire - Bulletin - noted
- f) Resident's Letter - Garden Area - Thanks - noted
- g) Resident's Letter - Blue Light Event - Thanks - noted
- h) Any Other Correspondence
- 1) RMBC Parish Council Network - noted
- 2) Rural Services Network - noted

- 3) Town & Parish Council Websites - noted
- 4) RMBC - Levelling up the Nation - noted
- 5) Brinsworth Academy Winter Fayre on Thursday 16th December 1.45pm -3.45pm. The Deputy Clerk passed out contact details to anyone interested in having a stall to get in touch with Claire Mellon - noted

Meeting Closed: 19.55