

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of Brimpsfield Parish Council at the Village Hall on THURSDAY the 5th December 2019 at 7.00pm

The Chair of Council opened the meeting followed by

- 1) Council recorded attendance as Councillors' Tom Overbury, Jane Parsons, Heather Eaton, Claire Jardine, Michael McWilliam, Roger Lock and Archie Larthe. Four members of the public attended
- 2) Council received apologies for absence from District Councillor Judd and County Councillor Robbins.
- 3) Council received no Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda
- 4) Approved the minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held on the 19th November 2019 which were then duly signed
- 5) Matters arising from previous minutes:
 - a) Cllr Overbury updated fellow councilors on the situation re the occupation of Hermits Corner and referred them to the email exchange that had passed between Cllr Overbury and District Councillor Judd
 - b) The problems with the Brimpsfield notice board had still not been corrected and this was to be chased up again by Cllr Eaton. Cllr Overbury also offered to contact the contractor on the matter. It was re-established that work on the Caudle Green notice board should not be commenced until the Brimpsfield noticeboard issues had been rectified
 - c) Cllr Overbury had spoken with the Cotswold Wardens regarding the problem on a section of Bridleway 11. A solution from them would be to place some plastic material at the base of the problem area and then covered with scalplings/quarry waste. This could also be done on the public footpath running from the Knapp towards Longdole which had, since the re-introduction of horses into the field become an issue once again. Funding for the materials would be ascertained by Cllr Overbury. It was believed that the work would be carried out by the Cotswold wardens.
 - d) The missing barrier on the bridge over the stream adjacent to Watercombe had still not been attended to. This is a dangerous situation especially in light of winter conditions. The Clerk is asked to chase this matter up.
 - e) The cutting of the hedges has been completed to the north of the road from Brimpsfield to Birdlip and a lower cut has been made on the hedge to the South of that road
- 6) Council considered the following planning applications and received comments from members of the public as part of a public session:

19/03822/FUL-Cedar Cottage. Comments were received from members of the public that included neighbours to the property concerned and the applicant. The points and concerns were duly noted. It was understood that a recent submission/revision had been made by the applicant (5th December) and had yet to be considered. Cllr Overbury reminded the Councillors as to what, as a Parish Council it could and could not comment on regarding Planning issues. After some discussion the Parish Council felt that the Planning department should give robust consideration to the matter of privacy to the neighbouring properties by giving further attention to the design of the dormers and the angle of vision they provide and/or type of glazing to prevent overlooking of neighbouring properties. Given that caveat, the Parish Council would have no objection.

19/04152/FUL-Church View. No objections, but one comment relating to the elongation of the footprint.

Cllr Overbury informed councillors that an application for improvement to a track across the Common in Caudle Green was being made.
- 7) Residents concern over traffic on 28th November 2019. These concerns were noted and the core of the problem was as a result of multiple incidents and a similar situation on Monday 2nd December that resulted in traffic being diverted through the village with HGVs using the short cut and with an overturned tanker on

Common Lane. Cllr Overbury had been in communication with County Councillor Robbins – see email exchange attached to these Minutes as an appendix. It was agreed that the Parish Council, with the support of both County Councillor Robbins and District Councillor Judd should approach the police to establish a plan that would come into force as soon as there was a problem on the A417 so that vehicles are not diverted through the village that is totally unsuitable for such traffic. A suggested plan name could be ‘Operation Brimpsfield/Birdlip’

The Clerk would be asked to write an email to Faye Brooke, informing her that her concerns had been raised and discussed at the meeting and the resulting discussion would be included in the published agreed Minutes.

8) Items for information only

i) It was to be formally agreed that whilst not all letters sent out following decisions made at parish Council meetings need to be viewed, some should be in advance of them being posted.

ii) It was to be formally agreed that emails that evoked discussion at parish Council meetings should be kept on file as an appendix to the minutes of the appropriate meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.47pm