

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday 9th January 2007

Present: Cllr R Davies (in the Chair), Cllr C Furness, Cllr S Eyre
 Cllr Mrs Lawson, Cllr B Hardy,

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)

DCC Cllr Mrs J Twigg

001/2007 Apologies for Absence

Cllr A Slater, Cllr A Briggs, Cllr S Cooke, Cllr Mrs L Harrison,

At this point it was resolved to suspend Standing Orders to allow DCC Cllr Mrs J Twigg to address the Parish Council. She invited members to raise issues where she might be of help. Three areas were raised a) lorries in Smalldale, b) repair of the road adjacent to Mr W Mather's house in Smalldale and c) the condition of Eccles Lane following the increase in traffic due to the road repair at Brough. Cllr Twigg promised to raise these issues with Derbyshire County Council.

Following this debate, Standing Orders were re-instated.

002/2007 Minutes of previous meetings

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 5th December 2006 were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed	Cllr C Furness	Seconded	Cllr B Hardy
For	5	Against	0
		Abstain	0

003/2007 Clerk's Report & Councillors' Bulletins

1	Affordable Housing	DDDC have now issued the housing needs survey that incorporates the additional NCHA questions. Once the responses have been processed, NCHA plans to organise workshops in the village.
2	Bradwell Sports Club (BSC)	The BSC await the result of their planning application, and expect notification in February. Another meeting of the BSC is planned for 16 th January to progress these issues. Provision of a location for a Parish Council storage container might be difficult.
3	Bradwell Brook	EA had surveyed the remainder of the Brook downstream from Soft Water Lane, and did not see any obstructions that were their responsibility. They did note several instances of flytipping. The Clerk is to report this to DDDC. The issue of weed clearance was not yet been resolved. The Clerk is to establish ownership of the bed of the Brook.
4	Beggars Plot Youth Shelter	The Clerk had not found any restrictive covenants in the Beggars Plot deeds. It was decided to proceed with the purchase and installation of the shelter. The Clerk is to proceed in obtaining the promised donations from PDNPA, DDDC & NCHA. The Clerk had claimed the refund of £300 for the basketball equipment. It was resolved that following the installation of the Shelter the Parish would become the owner and be responsible for maintenance.

		The Clerk is to obtain quotations from the Shelter supplier for the installation of a concrete base to the Shelter.
5	Bradwell Pre-School Play Group	A progress report had been received from the Pre-School Play Group saying that the PDNPA was unhappy with two of the three sites offered, and that, in the immediate term, the Pre-School Group were concentrating on internal staffing issues. The Clerk proposed obtaining a legal review of the deeds of Parish Council assets to identify if any covenants / restrictions exist. The council decided not to progress this proposal.
6	RoSPA – Town Bottom	The Clerk had obtained quotations from two fencing suppliers with one more to come. It was resolved that the Clerk should contract the cheapest of the three quotes when the third had been received. As it would not be possible for volunteers to excavate the ground under the zip-wire to prepare for the laying of wood chips, the Clerk was asked to obtain quotations for the whole job of excavation, edging and laying of the wood chips.
7	Casual Vacancy on Parish Council	The meeting was unhappy with appointing a new councillor without all members interviewing both candidates. The Clerk is to invite both candidates to attend the next meeting.
8	Conveyance of Town Bottom land to Severn Trent	The Clerk is to progress this conveyance.
9	Bradwell Parish Action Plan	The Clerk is to produce a "residents' information page" for insertion in Bradwell News. The Clerk is to invite the RFO to the next meeting to discuss the development of the Bradwell web site.
10	DALC Training Course	The course is planned for Tuesday 16 th January at the Sports Pavilion, and all councillors are invited.
11	'Gateway through the Arts' Project	This project is independent of the Parish Council. No further progress will be reported here.
12	Quality Council Status	The first step is for the Clerk to obtain the CiLCA certificate. To achieve this, the Clerk is to attend the first day of this 2 day course on 17 th January. The second day is planned for mid-March. The production of the Parish Portfolio will then require significant work.

004/2007 Finance

The following Parish Council authorisations were considered.

Agenda Items		
Payee	Amount (£)	Purpose
S Lawless	487.14	Clerk's Salary, Allowances and Expenses
R Jarman	167.85	RFO's Salary & Allowance
J Frith Maintenance	380.00	Caretaking Services
The Audit Commission	293.75	Audit Fee
A Slater	216.48	Reimbursement for Christmas lights
Powergen	7.05	Electricity at Beggars Plot
A Samwell	10.00	Bus Shelter Cleaning
Inland Revenue	264.88	PAYE Suspense Account to December 2006

Late Arriving Invoices		
Payee	Amount: (£)	Purpose
None		

These financial authorisations were approved.

Proposed Cllr J Lawson **Seconded** Cllr B Hardy
For 5 **Against** 0 **Abstain** 0

The competitive quotations for grass cutting were reviewed. It was resolved to continue using the DCC for this service.

Proposed Cllr C Furness **Seconded** Cllr S Eyre
For 5 **Against** 0 **Abstain** 0

The request for financial support by the Open Spaces Society was considered. It was resolved to donate £50 to this society. Following a short period after the donation, the Clerk is then to send a letter to this Society asking for their advice on issues in Bradwell Dale.

Proposed Cllr R Davies **Seconded** Cllr J Lawson
For 5 **Against** 0 **Abstain** 0

The Clerk is to send a letter to the business that provided the Burger Operation at the last Carnival reminding them that their contribution is still outstanding.

005/2007 Playing Fields & Village Caretaking

The Council welcomed the news that DDDC would pay for the (un)locking of the toilet block, and the Clerk is to include this duty in the job specification of the new Village Caretaker. The Clerk was also asked to approach DDDC to see if this payment could be backdated to the start of the current financial year.

The applications for the position of Village Caretaker were considered, and it was resolved to offer the position to Mr Brian Nicols. The initial rate agreed was £7.50 per hour, and the Clerk is to agree appropriate employment conditions.

Proposed Cllr R Davies **Seconded** Cllr S Eyre
For 5 **Against** 0 **Abstain** 0

The Clerk was asked to obtain a signed letter from Mr Julian Frith formally resigning as main Village Caretaker.

The Clerk is to arrange for some grit bins to be filled and others to be relocated, and a Parish Council bench in Smalldale is also to be relocated.

There was not time to properly discuss the letter of complaint regarding dog fouling, so the Clerk was asked to put this on the agenda for the next meeting and to write to the complainant.

006/2007 Planning Applications

Type	Date of Application / Notice	Reference	Property	Summary
New	21/12/06	NP DDD 1106 1090	Brookside Cottage, Brookside, Bradwell	Division of existing dwelling into 2 dwellings
New	21/12/06	NP DDD 1206 1107	8 Hallgate View, Bradwell	Erection of Conservatory
Reviewed	22/12/06	NP DDD 1006 0966	Moss Rake East Quarry, Bradwell	The Council supported this application. Parish Council Comments:- 'concern over traffic volumes', 'cleanliness of roads' and 'need to eliminate dust'.
Granted	None			
Rejected	29/11/06	NP DDD 1006 0890	Outland Head House, Outlands, Bradwell	Application considered to be too big & dominant.
Appeal		None		

007/2007 Highways, Rights of Way & Open Spaces

The Clerk was asked to notify DDDC of the Japanese Knotweed on the parish plot in Bradwell Dale. They had sprayed the weed in the past.

008/2007 Reports From Council Representatives On Outside Bodies/ Attendance at External Meetings – Relationships with Local Authorities & Other Bodies

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
14 th December 2006	DDDC Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership – 'Tackling Binge Drinking'. Committee Room, Town Hall, Matlock. 10:00 – 12:30.	

No reports were received.

The council had been advised of the following new meetings:-

Date	Event	Council Representative(s)
22 nd January 2007	Police Authority & Derbyshire Constabulary Budget Consultation Event 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. University of Derby, The Dome, Buxton	
23 rd January 2007	DDDC – Parish Council Conference 23 rd January at Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell 30 th January at Ashbourne Leisure Centre	
5 th March 2007	DDDC – Area Community Forums 5 th March at Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell 12 th March at Bonsall Village hall 19 th March at Doveridge Village Hall	

Due to time pressure, no attendances were agreed, but councillors should let the Clerk know if they wished to attend.

009/2007 Publications / Information Received

Date of Information	Description
10/11/06	DRCC – Grant of up to £3,000 to help communities to produce Parish Plans
09/12/06	DCC – 'B_LINE' Derbyshire Student Discount Card
09/12/06	DCC – Christmas Drink Drive Campaign 2006
10/12/06	RoSPA – Inspection Schedule (Derbyshire in May)
10/12/06	DDDC – Countdown to a Green Christmas
10/12/06	DDDC & HPDC – Community Strategy 2006 – 2009 Summary
10/12/06	DALC – Circular 42/2006 - General Circular Section 137 Indexation, Construction Industry Tax Deduction at Source WRG Community Challenge, Sat Nav systems, Elections 2007
10/12/06	DALC – Circular 41/2006 – Training Circular Training for Clerks & Councillors at Bradwell 16/01/07 HM Revenue & Customs Workshop 26/01/07 CiLCA Training various dates
11/12/06	DCC – 'Are We On The Right Track ?' Draft Rights of Way Improvement plan
14/12/06	Contribution of Tom Levitt to parliamentary debate on Post Offices.
12/12/06	PDNPA – Results of Parish Survey 2006, Change of name, Enforcement Matters
19/12/06	Lafarge – Corporate Responsibility Summary & latest Newsletter
19/12/06	NALC – LCR Journal
19/12/06	Cascade – Community Needs Housing
19/12/06	Youth Opportunities Fund. Possibility of obtaining £7,000 for youth services in Bradwell on items wanted by youth and spent by March 2007.
02/01/07	DDDC – Notes on Meeting of 14/12/06 of Safer Derbyshire Dales Panel on 'Tackling Binge Drinking'

The Clerk was asked to invite Mr M Thomson, chair of Bradda Dads, to the next meeting.

010/2007 Any Other Business

Cllr J Lawson asked for a request for a Parish Contribution to be made to a fund raising event to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

011/2007 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday 6th February 2007 in the Methodist Hall starting at 7.30 p.m.

Month	Date	Venue	Comment
January	09/01/07	Memorial Hall	
February	06/02/07	Methodist Hall	
March	06/03/07	Methodist Hall	
April	03/04/07	Methodist Hall	Parish Meeting
May	08/05/07	Memorial Hall	Annual Meeting of Parish Council; Post-Election: Acceptance of Office
June	05/06/07	Methodist Hall	
July	03/07/07	Methodist Hall	
August	None	Methodist Hall	
September	04/09/07	Methodist Hall	
October	02/10/07	Methodist Hall	
November	06/11/07	Methodist Hall	
December	04/12/07	Methodist Hall	

The meeting closed at 10.14