

# BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012

**Present:** Cllr R Davies, Cllr L Granger, Cllr P Higgs, Cllr V Horstead  
Cllr K Lancaster, Cllr A Nash (Chair), Cllr R Stevens

Mr S Lawless (Clerk)

Member of the Public:  
DDDC Cllr C Furness, Mr P Senior

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

DDDC Cllr Furness informed the meeting a) of the comparative precepts of adjacent councils and b) that DDDC currently have matched-funded grants of available for this financial year for play development.

### **013/2012 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr P Downing by reason of foreign travel and from Cllr S Ridgeway by reason of work commitments.

### **014/2012 Declaration of Members' Interests**

No interests were declared.

### **015/2012 Finance** (Guide Time 15 minutes)

Cllr Stevens presented the proposals of the Finance committee regarding budgets and precepts for future years and answered a number of queries from councillors.

It was **resolved** to accept the Finance committee proposal that

- the previously agreed 2012/13 budget and precept should not be changed
- a five year rolling financial plan be agreed which should be subject to regular (e.g. quarterly) Finance committee review.

The process for developing a five year rolling plan was discussed and it was recognised that additional input would be required from council spending committees and perhaps some village organisations as well and that the Terms of Reference of committees would need to be reviewed. The Clerk is to produce an annual meeting schedule.

Regarding council insurance, the Clerk is to obtain an updated quotation from the current insurer to allow for recent changes in scope (e.g. new play equipment), and if this is less than £1,200 then to accept this quotation, otherwise to report back to council for its decision.

Regarding the grass mowing quotation, the Clerk is to engage the alternative supplier subject to DCC allowing the council to revert to existing arrangements should the new supplier prove to be unsatisfactory.

### **016/2012 Date of Next meeting**

It was agreed that the next regular council meeting would be at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2012 in the Methodist Lounge.

**The meeting concluded at 20:35 p.m.**