# **BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL**



# Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Present: Cllr P. Downing, Cllr R Cornish Cllr B Salisbury, Cllr M Salvage, Cllr K Lancaster, , Cllr

C Furness, Cllr L. Granger, Cllr Z. Harrison, Cllr E. Lake

Members of Outside Bodies / Authorities: One

Members of the public: Four

# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A resident asked Council if they would be willing to write a supporting letter to Peak Park Planning about the new roof they wished to have installed on their garage. The current roof is flat but is now rotting and in need of replacement. The resident had met with a planning consultant who had suggested that the parish council might be able to help. The planning was originally supported by council. Cllr Furness suggested to the resident to ask DDDC Cllr Nash as he was a member of The Peak Park Planning Committee, and he would be able to assist with this matter.

A resident from The Wildflower group requested that the verge on Town Lane be added to the list of those to be cut. The area had originally been left at their request to see what flowers might grow and to see if there were any biodiverse observations. Unfortunately, there was nothing of interest and this area has now become overgrown and untidy rendering the public bench inaccessible. The long grass is also full of dog faeces. Another resident has submitted a formal complaint about this area and DDDC Cllr Nash reported that until this was resolved the verge could not be cut.

The resident also asked if The Wildflower group could share the green bin which was used by George Leeson for tidying up of the village. Council agreed subject to their being space inside.

PCSO Anthony Boswell attended the meeting and reported that in thirty-one days, there had been two incidents involving the police. One was involving motor vehicles, the other a shoplifting incident in The Coop.

It was reported to PSCO Boswell that the defibrillator had been damaged. He advised that the police would try and add the area to their evening rounds. PCSO Boswell also advised that he would ask for some more street meets to happen in Bradwell. Plans for speed-watch were in place subject to the required number of volunteers.

A resident asked council to consider his application for a S137 grant on behalf of Bradwell War Memorial Hall. The badminton group who had played in the hall since the 1970s had asked for new lines to be painted on the floor and some new nets as the current ones were damaged. They requested £600.

Election of the Chairman & Signing of Acceptance of Office 114/2024

Cllr Downing was proposed and accepted as chairman by council and the declaration of acceptance was signed by him and the clerk.

# **Apologies for Absence**

# 115/2024

Apologies were received from Cllr Taylor for reason of work

# **Declaration of Members' Interests**

# 116/2024

Cllr Downing declared an interest in financial transaction number 10. Payment for the Bradda.org domain

Cllr Salisbury declared an interest in financial transaction number 3 on the supplementary payment sheet. Reimbursement for plants and compost for village planters

# A report from Derbyshire County Council

### 117/2024

It was reported that the drop-in session organised by DCC had been a successful event and feedback and comments had been taken on board. It was noted that County Cllr Sutton had been instrumental in organising this. Cllr Sutton commented on the amount of HGVS and traffic that were coming through the village during the afternoon.

# A report from Derbyshire Dales District Council

# 118/2024

Cllr Nash reported that there had been a delay in the supply of green caddy bags to households, this was due to a supplier issue. He reported that they should all be delivered by the end of July.

Cllr Nash advised that a formal complaint had been received about the matter of the verges on Town Lane.

# **Acceptance and signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising**

# 119/2024

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 07/05/2024. Cllr Downing signed these as a true record. There were no matters arising.

### **Financial Matters**

# 120/204

It was **resolved** to authorise the following fifteen transactions, along with eight supplementary transactions. Cllrs Granger and Lancaster asked if the clerk could send the signatories the supplementary transaction memorandum in future to avoid confusion.

Once the clerk was set up on the banking, she would be able to set the payments up ready for approval and authorisation.

Ref	Payee	Description	Amount £	Cheque
01	Xero	Monthly direct debit May 24	£36.00	Direct Debit
02	E. ON	Monthly electricity charge May 24	£21.40	Direct Debit
03	HSBC	Monthly bank charge May 24	£5.00	Bank Charge
04	Water Plus	Water charges for the toilet block May 24	£64.20	BACS

05	Cloudy IT		Microsoft Subscription Fees May 24	£99.72	BACS
06	V Ball		Salary and office allowance May 24	686.87	BACS
07	V Ball		Paper Shredder	£23.99	BACS
08	HMRC		NI and tax contributions May 24	167.80	BACS
09	Nest		Pension Contributions May 24	62.18	Direct Debit
10	Paul Downing		123 Domain Register	£20.39	BACS
11	Benjamin Wilde		Annual Fees for Word Press Website Hosting	£60.00	BACS
12	Bradwell News		Advertising Leaflets for Village Meeting	£35.00	BACS
13	The Valley Rambler		Leaflets and Posters for Public Meeting	£102.50	BACS
14	British Gas Lite		Public conveniences Town Bottom	£206.73	Direct Debit
15	DALC		Clerk Essentials Training	£80.00	BACS
Payee Descript			tion	Amount	Payment Method
JAC Window Cleaning Cle		Cleaning	eaning of Bus Shelters		BACS
A&J Cleaning Services		Cleaning and supply of products for public conveniences May 2024		£256.00	BACS
-		Payment for supply of plants and compost for village displays		£146.10	BACS
		Internal audit of the accounts and preparation of the AGAR documents.		£1,560.00	BACS
G. E. Davies Mo		Mowing	of Playing Fields May 2024	£350.00	BACS
Jonathon Woodhouse In		Invoice for fixing door into Ladies toilet		£30.00	BACS
			eimbursement for Carnival Queens esses and supplies		BACS
Bradwell War Memorial Hall		Additional Room Hire		£8.00	BACS

# Other financial matters

# 121/2024

Cllr Lancaster reviewed the Cooperative Bank and no queries were raised.

# 122/2024

The clerk has been approved to have access the bank accounts, the forms have been signed by the signatories.

### 123/2024

The clerk has changed the payment to Waterplus from BACS to Direct Debit to ensure the bill is paid on time.

# 124/2024

Council approved and accepted the internal audit results; Cllr Downing and the clerk signed the relevant AGAR forms to be submitted to the external auditors.

### 125/2024

Cllr Lancaster reported that due to issues with Santander Bank, the account had still not been closed and the money transferred to Nationwide. The clerk has submitted a letter of complaint.

# **Parish Council Processes**

# 126/2024

The clerk reported that she has updated the Standing Orders and removed the section on restrictions due to covid. They had not been updated since the pandemic.

The finance regs wording was updated to reflect name changes of committees and the fact that VAT is paid quarterly and not yearly.

# Parish Issues / Initiatives

# 127/2024

It was *resolved* to write a post reiterating information on the road closure at Brough.

### 128/2024

Cllr Downing reported to council that there had been an emergency village meeting on May 28<sup>th</sup>. This was led by Cllr Nash and was well attended by residents. The message given was to remind villagers that Bradwell was open for business and the small local businesses would need support over the coming period.

Because it had happened quite quickly, Cllr Downing hadn't received full council backing for this project which at present was being led by Cllrs Lancaster, Salisbury, Cornish and Downing. Council gave their approval for this project to continue and agreed it was a worthy cause.

He reported that Watsons from Hope were going to be doing a delivery service from their butcher's shop into Bradwell once per week, with the post office being the distribution centre. He asked if council should reimburse Rob for this however the request was denied as council did not feel it was fair on other businesses in the village. Council suggested that a delivery charge was implemented from Watsons to cover costs.

It had also been confirmed from Derbyshire County Council that they would not be providing businesses with any compensation for the loss of trade during the road closure period.

# 129/2024

Cllr Downing proposed to council that during the period of the road closure no rent charges would be applied to Brook Café. Lisa Elliot had reported that around 80% of her trade was passing and she would significantly struggle during this time. Council voted in favour of this, it was agreed that she would not be charged a rent fee, she would however still have to pay for the electricity used.

# **ACTION:**

Clerk to write to Lisa and inform her of council's decision.

# 130/2024

Cllr Salvage gave a report from the amenities committee meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>, the meeting was attended by residents who were wishing to build a pump track on Town Bottom Playing field, options were discussed, and the plan was to go away and look at alternative sites and suggestions, including a meeting with Breedon and Alan Ridgeway.

# 131/2024

Cllr Harrison gave a report to council from the carnival committee meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>, plans are progressing well. It has been agreed that the fair would run across the Friday evening and Saturday day. Bradda Dads had offered their help in the run up to carnival and on the day.

# 132/2024

Cllr Salisbury gave a report on the state of the gulleys running through the village and more than half of them were full. Derbyshire County Council had been made aware but had only seemed to flush one or two of them out. The worry was there that if there was any significant rainfall this would only contribute to the flood issues. It was suggested Cllr Salisbury reach out to District Councillor Sutton.

# 133/2024

The clerk reported that the phone box on Towngate was in a poor state of repair and needed some attention. The defibrillator box has been broken into and vandalised. There were a few options including fixing the box or moving the defibrillator to the wall of the toilets, it was decided that Cllr Salvage would look at the phone box and advise.

**Highways & Rights of Way (Guide Time 5 minutes)** 

None

**Planning Applications** 

None

Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies / Attendance at External Meetings / Relationship with Local Authorities and Other Bodies

None

**Recent Meetings:** 

None

**Future Meetings:** 

None

**Publications / Information Received** 

134/2024

Communications have already been circulated electronically.

**Date of Next Meeting** 

135/2024

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, at 1930pm

The meeting concluded at 2045pm