

Minutes of the Meeting of the Annual Parish Assembly held on line on Tuesday 14th April 2020.

Councillors on line – Dr K Carveley, Mrs S Haynes, Mrs E Kelly, Mrs M Shiel Dods, Mr M Langthorne, Mr B Martin (in the Chair) and Mr S O'Sullivan.

+ 4 members of the public.

1. MINUTES.

Copies of the Minutes of the meeting of the Annual Parish Assembly held on the Tuesday 21st May 2019 were circulated prior to the meeting.

AGREED – That the Minutes of the meeting of the Annual Parish Assembly held on Tuesday 21st May 2019, as circulated, to be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2. CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The Chairman submitted the following report –

Co-opted Vacancies

Councillors Mrs Margaret Chandler and Mr Hubert Van Huet did not stand for re-election to the Council last May. The Council thanks Mrs Chandler and Mr Van Huet for the many years of service they gave to the Council and for all the hard work they freely contributed. In due course Mrs Emily Kelly of 2 Mill Hill Close was co-opted to serve on the Council. There are currently two vacancies on the Council and two nominations have been received but these have been deferred until the current coronavirus crisis is over.

Community Infrastructure Levy

In April last year residents returned the CIL questionnaire forms which had been circulated with the Annual Newsletter; there having been a 9.8% return rate which was considered to be very acceptable. The results were as follows -

Highway matters including a mini-roundabout in the centre of the Village and improved highway signing to improve traffic flow issues - 34

Enhanced community Facilities in the village – 17 (one specifying Public Toilets and two specifying a new Village Hall)

A Community Mini – Bus - 17

Repair of Church Clock – 7

Flood Prevention Group – 7

Give it all to The Shop – 5

Recreation Ground Play Equipment – 3

Tree Planting/ Nature Trail – 3

+ a number of various other suggestions that did not record more than 2 votes.

Hambleton District Council has confirmed that the CIL payment for the North Northallerton scheme will triggered by either the adoption of the road and bridge infrastructure (which is scheduled to complete in October 2020) or through the drawdown of the Sports Village and School Land. A potential land transfer date of March 2021 has been indicated for the land for the Sports Village and the District Council (as Local Planning Authority) can expect discussion shortly with regards to

planning the school site. It is therefore likely that the CIL payment to Brompton Council will be in the latter part of 2020/21 at the earliest – the sum being £99,900.

Use of Land off Station Road as a Waste Site.

There have been fears in the village that land off Station Road behind Linen Way would become a waste site of some description, perhaps involving the movement of waste materials and skips. At the present time there is no planning consent for such use and residents will therefore need to look out for planning notices around the site should a planning application be made for such use of the land.

Should any activity be seen on the site before any planning permission is granted then the most effective way to record such actions as evidence is by photographs and for these to be submitted to the Planning Authority.

Improvements to the Recreation Ground on Northallerton Road

The Council is currently looking at how it can improve the play facilities at the Recreation Ground on Northallerton Road.

It is hoped that new junior swings and a junior slide can be provided and perhaps an item of toddler play equipment can be installed. There are also plans to install a series of BMX jumps towards the eastern edge of the field.

In the future it is intended to review the small play area on the Green at Water End.

Scots Pit Lane.

The Council's statement of support for the inclusion of Scots Pit Lane on the Definitive Rights of Way map has been submitted to the County Council together with further evidence from the public after the Special Meeting of the Council held on the 4th February in response to the information consultation. It is however known that an objection had been made to the making of the Order that would permit the route to be included on the map. Therefore it is now likely that a Public Inquiry will be held into the matter either later in 2020 or in 2021.

Car Parking in Brompton.

On several occasions Councillors had asked for the Traffic Wardens to visit the village. Questions put to Scarborough Borough Council who administer the Civil Enforcement Officers (Traffic Wardens) in the area had declined to respond as to how many occasions the Traffic Wardens had patrolled Brompton or how many Parking Penalty Tickets had been issued in Brompton etc.

However they had pointed out that their officers could only take action against people who park in or adjacent to:

- yellow lines (waiting restrictions)
- disabled bays
- bus stops
- taxi ranks
- dropped kerbs
- resident only parking areas (ResPark zones) without a valid permit
- on-street pay and display areas, without displaying a valid ticket or permit
- our car parks, without displaying a valid ticket or permit
- zigzag lines outside of schools
- doctors and other marked parking bays

There are very few yellow lines in Brompton and no taxi ranks or residents only parking areas and there had not been any reports of parking in disabled bays, bus or bus stops.

They do not deal with any of the following –

- dangerous parking
- parking that is causing a serious obstruction
- parked vehicles blocking the footway, verge or preventing passage

The Police need to be contacted on 101 for any of these.

Therefore it seems that even if the Traffic Wardens did bother to come to Brompton there is very little that they would be able to do.

New Dog/Waste Bins.

A comprehensive review of dog and litter bins took place around Brompton village in conjunction with the Dog Warden using information which revealed which bins were most use and where any dog fouling problems mainly occurred.

The dog fouling problems are still in the main around Church Green as the Council had been aware for some time.

New dual litter/dog waste bins have been provided on the west side of Church Green; near to the Village Hall and along Stokesley Road.

Village Green at Water End – Boulders.

12 months ago it was agreed to purchase another 200 boulders to continue with placing them around the Green at Water End. Unfortunately extensive enquiries have all resulted in a dead end as regards obtaining supplies of boulders of the size required.

The budget figure was £5,000 to £7,000 for the 200 boulders, however the lowest price obtainable was in the region of £10,000 for only 100 boulders. One issue is transportation due to the great weight and the distance that they would have to be brought. The Council was able to obtain a local supply in the past and transport costs were reasonable but this supplier can no longer help and nor are there any other local suppliers.

New Street Light + Possible Bus Shelter

A new street light has been erected, paid for by the Council, on the area of land where the telephone box stood on the entrance to Hilton Close. This is because the bus stops close by and the pavement is on an incline where if it is icy this may not be seen in the dark.

The Council is also considering whether it would be possible to erect a small bus shelter in this vicinity.

Construction of a footbridge - Brompton Sports and Recreation Field Station Road Brompton

The Council is still pursuing the issue of pedestrian safety the construction of a metal footbridge from the school grounds across the beck to the BRA car park land. The existing footway across the bridge would remain as existing however pedestrian movements at peak times would be considerably lessened through use of the foot bridge.

Whilst the planning officer was currently looking at the work the Flood Group had done as regards the planning application for the pedestrian bridge at the school the Environment Agency do not consider that this is sufficient and that a proper flood report is still necessary before matters can proceed.

Wild Flower Planting – Water End Green

Daffodil planting has taken place around the Greens and will continue again next year.

It is also intended to establish sections of Wildflowers in areas of Water End Green past the Water Splash to improve biodiversity and create a new wildlife habitat for bees, insects and butterflies. The areas are currently cordoned off but in the future the intention is to cut pathways into them.

The Council also intends to enter the Yorkshire In Bloom contest in 2021.

Allotments.

The Allotments Group has negotiated an extension to its lease of land at Fullicar Lane with the landowner.

The land earmarked for allotments within the North Northallerton Development will not now be necessarily available for that purpose due to the need for the redesign of the railway. However there was still a definite commitment to provide allotments although no specific site had been as yet agreed.

Planning Applications.

Two major planning applications were considered by the Council in the past year – both applicants making presentations at the well attended Council meetings.

- (i) Construction of a Detached Dwelling House and double garage

Land Adjacent 53 Water End Brompton North Yorkshire.

- (i) Proposed development of 22 new homes, land adjacent to Danes Crest.

The first application was approved by Hambleton District Council and the second was refused.

Works around the Village

For the past two years the Council has been using two local self-employed workmen for a vast variety of tasks around. This has proved very cost-effective compared to having to get contractors in for each job and will continue until September as necessary.

Notice Boards

New locally made notice boards are going up around the village. These are to a traditional design which will complement the village appeal of Brompton. The existing notice boards have served the village well for many years but are now beyond their best.

Presentations.

During the year the Council has received presentations from Panda Gledhill of North Yorkshire Youth and Dan Turner of the Dales Rivers Trust.

The Cemetery.

Discussions are currently taking place regarding an extension of the Cemetery on Stokesley Road/

A number of rabbits have been shot in the Cemetery on Sunday evenings and the bodies have been hung up on trees. This is very distressing for anyone visiting the Cemetery. The Police, the Clerk and a local resident kept up patrols of the Cemetery on Sunday evenings and there has not been a re-occurrence for some time.

Web Site.

Finally the Council now has a new web site at bromptowncouncil.gov.uk

3. ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT.

The Clerk and RFO reported that Council had decided this year to keep its annual Precept at £45,000, the same as in the previous financial year. The approved audited figures for the financial year ended 31 March 2019 were as follows –

B/f - £24,025

Precept - £45,000

Other Receipts - £5,829

Staff costs - £3,636

Loans – 0

Other payments - £50,443

Balances c/f - £20,775

Total cash - £20,775

Assets - £69,500

Borrowings - 0

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS.

No matters were raised by the public who were present at the meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm