



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9th
MARCH 2023 AT 7.00PM AT BRACKLESHAM BARN

EWBPC COUNCILLORS Brian Reeves (BR) Pamela Kensington (PK)
PRESENT Joe O’Sullivan (JOS) Mike Dicker (MD)
Doug Holden (DH) James Salamon (JS)
Richard Ford (RF) Joanna El-Batal (JEB)

OTHER COUNCILLORS Susan Taylor CDC Councillor (STT)
PRESENT Pieter Montyn WSCC Councillor (PM)

APOLOGIES Alan Witcher (AW)
Toby Wilsher (TW)
Graham Barratt (GB) CDC

ABSENT Elizabeth Hamilton CDC Councillor (EH)
Emma Cox (EC)

IN ATTENDANCE Parish Clerk, Parish Clerk Designate, 0
members of the public

23.31 Minutes of the Council’s Meetings Held on 9th February 2023

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th February 2023 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Pam & Joe

23.32 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests None

23.33 Chairman’s Announcements

Chair advised that the planned date for The Annual Parish Meeting scheduled for 12th April 2023 would have to be changed due to pre-election constraints and council agreed for it to be moved to 18th May 2023

Recent activity on social media has highlighted a potential speeding problem on Bracklesham Lane. After the fatal accident several years ago a Speed Indicator Device (SID) has been installed. A speed watch group had been set up, training was completed a few weeks before the Covid pandemic hit however due to lockdown the scheme didn’t get started. Would a member be prepared to take the lead for a new speed watch group DH agreed to do this.

The council will look into the possibility of moving the 30mph limit nearer to the village entrance along Bracklesham Lane now that the new housing development is in place and asked PM for his support on this.

23.34 Update on actions from previous meetings

All Completed. No questions regarding the Local Plan have been received from Councillors

23.35 Public Questions None

23.36 District and County Councillors reports

PM – WSCC council tax increase of 4.99% has been approved.

Advice was given on how to potentially move the 30mph speed limit on Bracklesham Lane and confirmation that PM will support the scheme.

PM asked -The installation of a pedestrian crossing on Bracklesham Lane roughly in the area of the co-op has been held up due to the Brew Vision how is the Brew vision coming along can we wait for the crossing or can we go ahead to look into the crossing?

BR responded the BREW vision coming along but slowly as there is no obvious place to put a crossing and we may need to move the bus stops. PM advised that Mike Thomas is Area Highways Manager and should be contacted for advice. BR advised that The Clerk would email Mike to follow up and copy PM in.

STT – advised that the CDC budget and a council tax increase of 2.99% has been approved, she has attended a workshop today to improve Planning management, planning officers are going to reinstate notices and are trying to be proactive in ensuring better communication. Local Plan consultation still ongoing. NPPF consultation has been completed and is due to be published late or spring early summer.

23.37 Reports from Parish Councillors on Meetings attended since 09/02/23

Planning 20/02/23 Two applications were considered, with no objections recorded. PK had been unable to join the online All Parishes meeting as she was not sent a link.

23.38 Budget update ([Appendix 2a](#), [2b](#), [2c](#))

Council noted the current budget and bank position which was in line with expectations. Council RATIFIED the list of payments from 01/02/23 to 28/02/23 totalling **£45,136.46**

23.39 Skatepark Update

RF advised that John Flood of Canvas will not be able to give a presentation to council before the pre-election publicity period, begins on 22/3/23.

23.40 To Agree Response to the Local Plan Review (*Appendix 4*)

BR – Welcomed the report, however, was concerned that road infrastructure in our area was not covered due to no housing allocation. However, this does give us the opportunity to move forward with our own Neighbourhood Plan.

Council RESOLVED to support the Local Plan Review.

23.41 Response to the proposed amendments to the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 Public Space Protection Order – Dog Control ([Appendix 4](#))

Council did not wish to comment at this stage as there is not a schedule showing what the proposed amendments are. The document should also contain reference to professional dog walkers and possible requirements for either/or licensing or a code of conduct. STT will make enquiries about if this is a possibility.

23.42 Booker Green Update

The grant funding agreement for £12,000 has been signed by both parties. The BBQ Stands and benches have been ordered, awaiting a date for the groundworks to remove the old benches and concrete plinths and install the new. Once we have a date we will remove the existing memorial plaques, keep them safe and ready to be re-applied once the new benches are in situ. We will put up notices on Booker Green advising on what is happening.

23.43 To receive an update on proposals for Kosy Kot from CDC*

Council went into confidential session and discussed the area. Comments will be fed back to CDC.

23.44 To Agree replacement of wooden posts at Bracklesham Barn*

Council AGREED to an amount of £1500.00 be made available to The Clerk for the replacement of the wooden posts.

23.45 To Note the report of the Staffing Committee regarding appointment of the Deputy Clerk*

Council noted the appointment of Vicky Middleton to the position of Deputy Clerk

The meeting closed at 8.02pm

Minute ref	Action	Responsible
23.33	Lead a new speed watch group	DH
23.33	Investigate Communities Highways Scheme to move 30MPH limit in Bracklesham Lane	CLERK
23.36	Investigate pedestrian crossing in Bracklesham Lane	CLERK
23.40	Respond to Local Plan	CLERK
23.41	Respond to the proposed amendments to the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 Public Space Protection Order – Dog Control	CLERK
23.43	Respond with comments to CDC regarding Kosy Kot	CLERK