

## **BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

A meeting of Broughton Parish Council was held in the Village Hall, Little Broughton on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2012

**PRESENT:** Mrs V Sherwood, Mrs S Hannah (Vice Chairman), M Weir, J Hobden

Also present P Martin (Clerk), Cllrs N Cockburn and T North and 7 members of the public.

The Meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

### **30/12 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Wilson, Oldfield and Inglis.

### **31/12 MINUTES 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012 be adopted as a true and accurate record. **Resolved**

### **32/12 MEMBERSHIP**

#### Vacancies for councillors

The Council received correspondence from Cllr Oldfield that he intended to move away from the area and would tender his notice to leave the Council at that time.

The Vice Chairman issued a plea for interested persons to make themselves available for co-option to the Council.

The Council received an application for membership from Mr S Hannah. Mr Hannah spoke on behalf of his application stating that he had lived in the village since the 1980's and would like to help the community by serving on the Council.

It was proposed that Mr Hannah be co-opted onto the Council. **Resolved**

### **33/12 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Chairman's announcements

### **33/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **34/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow members of the public to speak.

A number of residents from the Coldgill Avenue/Derwent Park area voiced objections to the planning application 2/2012/0445. They felt that the proposed development would cause further traffic problems along a narrow highway, with little or no footpaths, poor sightlines at junctions and little provision for parking. They were also concerned at drainage provision, the impact of the proposed roofline on the view from their properties and the loss of a greenfield site.

### **35/12 POLICE REPORT**

The following report was received;

During May there were a total of ten offences committed in the rural areas which included damage to a building at Tallentire, criminal damage to a vehicle at Great Broughton, theft of a CCTV camera from premises at Great Broughton, theft of money from Brigham and an Assault committed against a female between Broughton Cross and Brigham. All these matters remain under investigation.

A total of nine incidents of Anti Social Behaviour were reported in the rural areas, all were dealt with positively.

### **36/12 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### Allotments

Following an inspection letters had been sent to a number of allotment holders reminding them of the terms of their tenancy and particularly of their obligation to keep down weeds and invasive species. A further inspection will be carried out in mid July.

The Council will contact the Community Payback team to request that they trim/cut the unallocated area at the Coldgill site.

The Council will gain estimates for the cost of extending the water supply at the Nook site and for depositing hardcore to form parking and path surfaces at Coldgill.

#### Playground

The Council will gain a second estimate for the cost of extending drainage at the Welfare Field into the playground. The Council will supply and fix a picnic bench outside the play area.

The Council will investigate the installation of outdoor fitness equipment at the Welfare Field and the possibility of gaining further grant funding.

The handyman will attend a piece of broken equipment and explore the possibility of installing gate closers.

### **37/12 REPORTS FROM VISITING COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Cockburn reported that she had recently walked the footpaths through the field to the school. She reported that there was extensive dog waste on the footpath used by many school children. She reported that the Soddy Gap footpath remained closed by the developers at Church Meadows.

Cllr Cockburn encouraged local residents to make comment on the recently published Allerdale Plan.

### **38/12 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Council had received the following correspondence, all of which was noted.

- 1 MRWS – various
- 2 CCC – Temporary road closure
- 3 Pennine Outdoor Fitness
- 4 CCC – Traffic survey, MH Lane
- 5 Tree planting – Derwent Forest. Cllr Weir will attend.
- 6 CALC – newsletter
- 7 Jennings River Ride
- 8 ABC – Core Strategy consultation
- 9 CCC – Highways
- 10 Young people – Youth club, football pitch. The Council will investigate the supply of permanent football nets and any potential funding for youth club support.

### **39/12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Reference no 2/2012/0445

Applicant; Mr Alan Telford

Proposal; Erection of 2 detached bungalows (resubmission of 2/2011/0762)

Location; Land at Coldgill Avenue, Great Broughton

The Council reiterates its original objection to this application;

The Council objects to the application. It considers the access to the site is inadequate both for construction and subsequent use. There are existing traffic problems at nearby junctions and additional traffic will exacerbate dangers.

It is considered that the application would destroy a visual amenity that villagers have long enjoyed and that the overall proposal would be detrimental to the village amenity.

It is further believed that the, already granted, proposal to build 58 new houses at Church Meadows will satisfy foreseeable housing need in the village.

The Council further notes the narrow nature, and in some places non-existence, of a footpath and feels that the application, if allowed, would set an unacceptable precedent for possible future development outside the village boundary.

### **40/12 PLANNING DECISIONS - noted**

Reference no 2/2012/0199

Applicant; Miss Bethan Owens, Persimmon Homes

Proposal; Variation of condition number 2 on planning application 2/2011/0162 to amend window details, chimney details and garage details.

Location; Land adjacent to Church Meadows

APPROVED

## 41/12 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### Financial Statement.

#### Bank Statements

Current Account - Statement 17/6/2012	34203.00
Money Manager Account 31/3/2012	89.35
Cumberland Building Society Account 31/3/2012	53013.85
<b>Total</b>	<b>£87306.20</b>

#### Invoices 26<sup>th</sup> June 2012

P Martin	Salary and Expenses (May/Jun)	390.96
HMRC	Penalty notice	100.00
I Winter	Grasscutting	139.00
K Moore	Maintenance	270.00
Robertson Memorials	War Memorial restoration	400.00
Sustainable Furniture	Picnic bench	235.00
HMRC	PAYE	245.36

#### Receipts 26<sup>th</sup> June 2012

Allotment rents	444.00
Grant (WREN)	29000.00

The Council has an outstanding claim for refund of VAT for £8561.70.

It was proposed that Cllr Hobden be added as a signatory to the bank account.

**Resolved**

#### 42/12 MEMBERS QUERIES

##### Flagpole

The Council will contact village organisations regarding the potential placement and maintenance of a flagpole and whether any groups would wish to take responsibility for flying flags.

#### 43/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2012, Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm at Little Broughton Village Hall.

**The meeting closed at 8.20pm**

**Signed.....Chairman**