

# **Boreham Parish Council**

Minutes of the Meeting of Boreham Parish Council held in the Village Hall Boreham at  
7:30pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018

## Present

Councillor J. Galley (Chair)  
Councillor C Perrin  
Councillor J Rice  
Councillor S Bass  
Councillor G Cooch  
Councillor M Sellors  
Councillor L. Mann  
Councillor A. Leach

Also in attendance: Mrs Lisa Miller (Parish Clerk) and no parishioners.

### **3119 Apologies for Absence**

All Councillors were in attendance.

### **3120 Declarations of Interest**

None were declared.

### **3121 Public Participation Session**

The headmaster and Chairman of the Board of Governors from the school were in attendance to talk about the lack of facilities at the school to be able to provide childcare before and after school for working parents.

It was also reported that elastic bands from the postman are being discarded on the roadside.

A report listing the footpaths in the village in need of attention has been completed and will be forwarded to Highways.

Several streetlights were reported as not working in the village. Cllr Mann to provide a detailed report of their locations so these can be reported to ECC.

### **3122 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 had been previously distributed. Following two additional insertions, one to add a Cllr who was present and the second to include Cllr John Spence as providing information in the minutes, it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting.

### **3123 Presentation from Les Hawkins**

This item has been postponed due to lack of information available on the Special Supported Policing.

### **3124 Correspondence**

- a) Extension of temporary closure of Bridleway 23.** An objection had been received but due to health and safety reasons, this is supported by Essex County Council.
- b) Restoration of War Memorials** – following email received offering to provide a quotation to restore Boreham's War Memorial, the clerk will ask for a quotation to restore the memorial in the Waltham Road.
- c) Circus Mania-** following a request to hold a circus on the Recreation Ground for a week in April, it was decided that the location is not practical to hire out for this purpose for a week as the location is too

near to a residential area, there is insufficient parking and the area is already hired out to other clubs on a weekly basis.

- d) **B.E.A.R.S.** request for a donation for their service. It was agreed that the council would not donate to this service.
- f) **Street Naming – Barn opposite – 2 Bulls Lodge Cottages to be named Carriage House.**
- g) **Other Correspondence** have been circulated.

### 3125 Committee Minutes

#### **Planning Committee meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018**

The minutes were confirmed with no comment.

#### **Greens Committee meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018**

The minutes were confirmed with no comment. It was agreed that the parish council would seek legal advice on the cost and implications of removing the covenant.

#### **Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

The minutes were confirmed which Cllr Mann briefly summarised of where the council are with the various action groups being organised and what their responsibilities are.

### 3126 Councillors Report

#### a) **City Councillor J Galley's Report**

Cllr Galley had nothing further to report.

#### b) **County Councillor J Spence.**

Apologies of absence were received from Cllr Spence and a report was provided and distributed to all members which spoke about the latest version of the Chelmsford City Local Development Plan, the Traffic Issues and the hope to open the Essex Travel Control Centre at the weekends, the Beaulieu Railway Station which Essex County Council has now signed an agreement with Network Rail, the recently announced bus service revision and the impact particularly on Boreham, the increase of 2.9% in the council tax along with a 2% increase for social care precept and finally the changes to the mobile library service which will see a reduction in the number of stops.

#### c) **Village Hall Management Committee Representative's Report.**

The VH are still waiting for a date for the new windows to go in.

#### d) **Public Transport Representative**

Cllr Cooch has requested stats from ECC to support their findings on why the bus service is being changed. The bus stop at Plantation Road did not get put in for funding for this financial year despite being reminded to do so. However, we have been told it will go in on the list for the next financial year. The Drs surgery have been informed that patients will need to have more appointments available at the Boreham surgery as they will be unable to get to the Hatfield Peverel surgery following the changes to the bus service.

#### e) **Speedwatch**

It was reported that it is becoming very difficult to get new members trained up to carry out speedwatch.

#### e) **Other Reports and Questions**

Cllrs Perrin and Cooch attended a Butler Trust meeting recently.

### 3127 Clerk's Report

It was reported that the A120 Pannars Interchange to Galley Roundabout will be resurfaced so there will be road closures overnight from 8<sup>th</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> March.

It was reported that the Recreational Ground Committee will be meeting with Sue Sheppard and Brian Cook shortly to discuss the unlinking of the charities.

### 3128 Memorial Tree for Ron Pharaoh

The Parish Council have agreed that they will liaise with Shirley prior to any decisions being made on what memorial and where to place it.

**3129 Adult Cycle Training**

ECC Highways has received some funding for Adult Cycle Training which is being offered to the local residents. The Parish Council will offer to fund 10 places to which will be advertised in the next Newsletter.

**3130 Financial Matters**

**a) Budgetary control and Accounts Reports.**

Members were circulated with budgetary control reports. Members approved the reports.

**b) Ratification and authorisation of Payments**

It was RESOLVED to accept the Accounts as drawn and ratification and authorisation was given for the cheques and payments (appendix attached).

**c) New Computer and Laptop**

It was RESOLVED to approve the purchase of the Dell computer for the office at a cost of £520. It was agreed to ask for a quote for a new laptop instead of a reconditioned or nearly new.

**3131 Exclusion of Press and Public**

No public were present.

**3132 Staff Matters**

It was reported that the Health & Safety checklist has been completed for Kieran Hawkins. Health and Safety Policy and Equal Opportunities Statement were both approved by the council.

There being no further matters for consideration, the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed at 9.25pm.