

BRANSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE BRANSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held in the Branoc Hall Social Room (Village Hall) on **THURSDAY 26 May 2016 at 19.30.**

PRESENT: Cllrs. Bass, Evans, Pike, Lambert, White, Cox, Walford-Howell, Mayes, Knight (DCC), PCSO Mike McGauly (Devon and Cornwall Police)

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Hall, Pook (EDDC)

NO. OF PUBLIC: 1

PRESS: None

CLERK IN ATTENDANCE: Gail Llewellyn

PUBLIC SPEAKING - None

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN – Cllr White took the chair and thanked Cllr Bass for his hard work over the past year. Cllr White nominated Cllr Bass as Chairman and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Cllr Bass would be duly elected Chairman. This was seconded by Cllr. Cox, **ALL IN FAVOUR.** Cllr Bass took the chair.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN – Cllr Bass nominated Cllr White as Vice-Chairman and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Cllr White be duly elected as Vice-Chairman. This was seconded by Cllr Lambert, **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES

- a) Village Hall – Cllr Cox proposed Cllr Pike as Village Hall representative and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Cllr Pike would be the Village Hall representative . This was seconded by Cllr White, **ALL IN FAVOUR.**
- b) Emergency Sub Committee – Cllr Bass proposed Cllrs Pike, Cox and Hall as Emergency Sub Committee representative and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that all 3 councillors would be the representatives on the Emergency Sub Committee. This was seconded by Cllr Mayes, **ALL IN FAVOUR.**
- c) Allotments – Cllr Bass nominated Cllr Lambert as Allotments representative and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Cllr Lambert would be the representative on the Allotments Committee. This was seconded by Cllr Mayes, **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Parish Council meeting minutes dated 21st April 2016, which were previously circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING

- a) **Broadband Voucher Scheme** – Cllr Mayes reported that it is a complex procedure and he had submitted an applications form, within 24hrs they advised if he was eligible with only 1 supplier, which was BT, therefore he could not apply for the voucher. He tried other postcodes in the village but none were eligible. His findings were that Branscombe was not eligible. Cllr Evans advised that he also applied and got a voucher plus 6 companies, 4 companies offered satellite connection, cost dependant on usage about £50 / Month.

- b) National Trust letter to HQ – Bench – The Clerk reported that we had not received a letter from the NT as yet. Cllr Bass agreed to give Mary (relative of the brothers) a call.

FINANCE

Annual review of Finances and Annual Return – The Clerk handed out copies of the year 2015/16 finance sheets. Cllr Evans requested that there should be a total of expenditure v income for the year on the summary sheet, the Clerk agreed to include this in the future. Cllr Cox proposed and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the accounts be signed and submitted as a true record. This was seconded by Cllr Lambert, **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

Cheques signed as follows:

PCC donation for Parish Magazine - £100

Previous years this was £80 it was agreed that this be increased to £100, Cllr Bass proposed and **IT WAS RESOLVED** that this would be increased to £100. This was seconded by Cllr Pike, **ALL IN FAVOUR**

Thomas Westcott (25th Feb to 26th April 2016) - £148.80

Village Hall Committee – Defibrillator Contribution - £500.00

Parishes Together Fund – 2015/16 – Going Paperless £508.00 – The Clerk advised that we must buy the equipment and claim the funds back. This was noted.

Parishes Together Fund – 2016/17 – It was noted that new funds are available for this financial year and to advise the Clerk if there were any pressing projects we could put forward with the other parishes.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – None

PLANNING

Planning Applications – none received at publication of the agenda.

Correspondence:

Going Paperless – The Clerk advised that EDDC Planning are expecting us to go paperless within the next 6 months.

Consultation on amended Validation Requirements for East Devon District Council – Planning Applications – This was noted.

Branscombe Airfield – Tony Fastnedge advised the Parish Council in an email dated 17th May 2016 of further incidents at eh Airfield that are perceived to be breaches of the planning conditions. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Chief Planning Officer enclosing the email asking for action to be taken and advising of the Parish Councils concerns including requesting a copy of the flight logs. It was also a concern that there is a campsite at the end of the runway still especially with the recent unfortunate incident. Cllr White advised that he witnessed a yellow helicopter which landed on the airfield. Tony Fastnedge advised the Parish Council at the concession of the chairman, that EDDC advised him that it did not land on the airfield.

Potholes – The potholes at Northern Lane, Weston had been done but had been washed away in the recent rain. DCC advised that they would be redone in the next batch of patching for the area.

PART B MATTER - None

MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN:

Cllr Knight advised that there will be another road that DCC are wishing to consult on to be downgraded and requested that this be put on the next agenda. He also advised that he has a new locality budget but a fair amount had been allocated to the Young Farmers.

The Clerk advised that she had received an application too late to go on the agenda, this will be referred to the meeting to be held on 23rd June unless any further applications come in and the meeting due on the 2nd June will be held for planning applications only.

Cllr Mayes advised that the next The Parish Council Matters will be publishing the councillor's responsibilities after the Annual General Meeting. The Designated Areas will be update by the Clerk.

A discussion took place on the Lorry that got stuck up Culverwell probably due to Sat Nav directions. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact DCC to see if this can be highlighted to the Sat Nav companies including the access to Berry Barton.

The next meeting is due on 2nd June 2016 @ 19:30 in Branoc Hall (Village Hall).

Meeting closed at 21.10 pm

Signed..... Date