

**Minutes of the meeting of Broadhempston Parish Council**  
**Thursday 10 March 2022**

Present: Cllrs Wright (Chair), Head, Isaacs, Sutcliffe, Widger, White.

Also present: 4 members of the public  
 District Cllr Daws  
 Cathy Aubertin (Clerk)

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chair will open the Meeting and receive apologies.	Cllr Wright opened the meeting at 7.30pm. Apologies were received from Cllr Goddard and Cllr Sear.
2	To declare any interests at this meeting.	None.
3	Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the Council and approve the minutes of the following meetings: 10 February 2022.	The minutes were agreed.
<i>The Council will adjourn for the following items:</i>		
4	<p><u>Public Question Time:</u> A period of 5 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding the work of the Council or other items that affect Broadhempston which do not form part of the agenda.</p> <p><u>District Councillor Report</u></p> <p><u>County Councillor Report</u></p> <p><u>Parish Councillor Report</u></p> <p><u>Parish Lengths-man Report</u></p>	<p>A member of public asked about Climate Emergency and whether the Council would consider funding two charging points in the Village Hall car park as it would make owning an electric vehicle so much more feasible for people in the village. It was suggested that a WhatsApp group could be set up for those who wish to use the EV points to ease communication about use. It was further suggested that the EV chargers could perhaps work from the solar panels.</p> <p>District Councillor Daws informed the PC that he is involved in the Alexandra Theatre and Future High Streets fund. TDC has a plan to develop the market hall in Newton Abbot by knocking out the interior of the Alexandra Theatre. District Cllr Daws attended a meeting where the plans were passed. However, TDC omitted to consult with the Theatres Trust, a statutory consultee, who wish to look at all options before agreeing. District Cllr Daws supported some funding today for the Community Shop and further funding in next year for a new swing at Easterways. District Cllr Daws was asked by Cllr Sutcliffe for an update on the backlog in the Planning Department as the Easterways planning application has been in for about six months, and the BCLT is likely to make a complaint of non-resolution. <b>Cllr Sutcliffe to arrange for the details to be forwarded onto District Cllr Daws so that he can take the matter up with the Planning Department.</b></p> <p>None.</p> <p>Cllr Isaacs informed the PC that she had reported the pothole near the bridge on the way to Beaston to DCC again today. In respect of the blocked drain at the top of Beaston opposite the Old Mill, it was noted that DCC recently attended but the work they undertook has made no difference to the problem. <b>Clerk to report to DCC.</b></p> <p>Mike Pearey had asked how the Kiln and Waterford Cross buddle holes are working – very well! Cllr Widger has done some work to maintain these.</p>

		All were reminded that parishioners are able to report problem areas directly to Mike Pearey should they wish.
<i>The Council will convene to conduct the following business:</i>		
5	To consider the following planning applications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The appeal at Manor Croft – to consider whether any further comments are required.</li> </ul>	No further comments.
6	Climate change emergency – sub-committee feedback: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Feedback from Climate Action Group</li> <li>To consider purchasing an infra-red camera for approximately £300-400.</li> </ul>	<p>It was reported that lots of ideas had been raised and discussed by the group, including a blueprint for Broadhempston for the next 20 years. More easily achievable and practical steps were also considered.</p> <p>Cllr Wright explained to the PC the benefits of an infra-red camera in showing areas where homes are losing heat. It will also identify damp which, if then fixed, will make the home more thermally insulated.</p> <p>An optional charge could be made for the use of the camera so that those who can afford could voluntarily donate towards the cost.</p> <p>It was felt that more people would be motivated to take steps to improve the insulation of their homes if they could see the pictures.</p> <p><b>It was RESOLVED that Cllr Wright should proceed with the purchase of the camera so long as it is within the agreed price bracket.</b></p> <p>It was reported that a further meeting ACT will take place, so that members of the group can receive training on the updated carbon footprint tool. This will then enable the group to hold an open day to show parishioners how to use it. The CIO needs to be consulted in respect of the idea of having EV charging at the Village Hall and/or Headlands.</p> <p><b>Cllr Sutcliffe will discuss with the CIO.</b></p> <p><b>Cllrs Sutcliffe and Wright will investigate EV charging further and both will obtain quotes. Consideration will also be given to whether it is worthwhile installing batteries at either site to harness electricity generated by solar panels.</b></p>
7	To consider next steps following the Local Plan consultation response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider whether there is interest in developing a Neighbourhood Plan.</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr Wright reported that he has had no response to his email about a possible Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p><b>Cllr Wright will send a reminder.</b></p>
8	To consider trial use of the village square, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disabled/ wheelchair access to the Church.</li> <li>Costs.</li> <li>Feasibility of providing additional parking.</li> <li>Discussion with DCC.</li> </ul>	<p>No update.</p> <p>Cllr Widger suggested that, bearing in mind the lack of response from DCC, an alternative site be considered as a seating area, perhaps close to the Village Hall and play area. Following consideration it was agreed that the PC should wait for a response from DCC regarding the £1 offer for the square before considering an alternative site.</p>
9	To consider TROs on green lanes.	<p>It was noted that the recent green laning event did not cause as much disruption as possible. One of the organisers posted on the Shout Out Broadhempston Facebook page, explaining how the events are operated and controlled.</p> <p>It was felt that there would likely be little interest in enforcing any restrictions by either the Police or DCC.</p>

		It was agreed that the situation will be monitored prior to any further action being taken.
10	<p>Open spaces update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small playing field</li>   <li>• Headlands</li>   <li>• Kings Close Field</li> <li>• Community Orchard</li> <li>• Allotments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Including review of allotment use.</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• Car Park</li> </ul>	<p>No update.  <b>CLlr Sutcliffe will speak to Simon Birbeck to confirm arrangements for the next financial year.</b></p> <p>It was reported that there had been some damage following the recent storm, but all now repaired.  CLlr White reported that a pitch inspection had recently carried out by the Football Association and, as a result, it is likely that funding will be received to help with maintenance of the pitch over the coming years.  It was wondered whether Headlands would apply for a defib to be installed at the site.</p> <p>It was reported that it appears that the soakaway has been cleared.</p> <p>No update.</p> <p>Allotment holders to be reminded to use their allotments due to complaints about lack of use from people on the waiting list and asked to surrender their plot if they don't think they will use it properly.  <b>Councillors to undertake a site inspection ahead of the new contracts going out.</b></p> <p>No update.</p>
11	To consider the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration	It was reported that the Fete Committee appear to be making good progress. <b>CLlr Sear to update the PC, at the next meeting, in respect of the proposal to purchase mugs.</b>
12	To consider the feedback from WSP presentation regarding the flood risk investigation.	<b>Clerk to include information in the Parish News.  In addition, the clerk will check with WSP if timings would work so that a presentation could be made at the annual parish meeting.</b>
13	Update in respect of Daniels Lane.	It was noted that the worn signs have been reported to DCC. <b>Clerk to request further that the sign should include width of lane and for the road to become a byway.</b>
14	To consider requesting 20mph in the village and which areas should be included.	<b>Clerk to complete form on the DCC website and include the entire village.</b>
15	To consider purchasing a speaker/ mic to achieve better sound quality in broadcasting meetings, approximately £230 including VAT.	Following the trial of the speaker/ mic at the meeting, it was RESOLVED that the purchase should proceed, so long as the trial in the main hall was successful, which it was. It was further RESOLVED that CLlr Wright should sell the old mic with the funds going back into the PC's budget. <b>CLlr Wright will write procedure notes so that the equipment can be set up if he is not available.</b>
16	<p>Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To agree accounts for payment.</li> </ul>	It was RESOLVED that accounts should be paid. <b>Clerk to arrange payments.</b>

17	<p>Clerks Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of actions in previous minutes.</li> <li>• Attendance at SLCC Climate Change Summit on 23 March 2022.</li> </ul>	<p>The only outstanding action was in respect of the cost of mugs, noted above.</p> <p>It was noted that the clerk will attend the summit.</p>
18	<p>To note any correspondence received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 emails from parishioners regarding speeding vehicles driving towards the Village Hall.</li> </ul>	<p>Following a discussion that Cllr Sutcliffe had with the VH, all hirers will be advised to be careful.</p> <p>It was also suggested that the school be contacted and request that they send a message out to parents that, if using VH car park to bring children to school, to take care and drive slowly.</p> <p><b>Clerk to write to school and include general concern about speed in the village.</b></p>
19	<p>Public Question Time: 10 minutes.</p>	<p>No further questions.</p> <p><b>Clerk to add the response to TDC in respect of the Local Plan to the website.</b></p>
20	<p>To note the date of the next meeting: <b>Thursday 14 April 2022.</b></p>	<p>This was noted.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.22pm</p>