

## BRAFIELD ON THE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting**      **Sargeant Memorial Hall**      **5<sup>th</sup> July 2010**  
**7:30pm**

Mrs V Hartley, Clerk, Beech House, Dean's Row, Gayton, Northampton, NN7 3HA      Tel  
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**Present:**

Mrs G Morgan - Chairman

Mrs G Ager

Mr D Clayson

Mrs H Barnell

Mr K Ward

Mrs R Kentigern-Fox

Mrs Dawn Allingham

**Mr Steven Hollowell**

**SNC Councillor**

**Apologies: none**

Public Enquiries - NONE

Item Ref	Description	Action by
	<p><b><u>Minutes of the previous Meeting (17.5.10)</u></b>            These having previously been circulated and signed the Councillors duly adopted them as a true record.</p>	
<b>2010/40</b>	<b><u>Matters Arising</u></b>	
	<p>2010/19 KC2 – Laurel hedge – Kevin Ward had spoken to Steven Hollowell who is of the view that the stumps are dangerous and that this is unsatisfactory. Steven Hollowell stated that the path is an ancient highway and that common law dictates that wall to wall the laurels are encroaching. He suggested the Clerk write to Jim Cosford from Rights of Way stating the laurel stumps are a potential trip hazard and request that he makes a site visit. Helen Barnell declared an interest as she is a neighbour but the other councillors are willing to meet up. Clerk to give Kevin Ward's phone no for discussion (to also include KC 22).            Steven Hollowell also stated that Parish Centred maps which will replace the definitive maps will be issued and sent out to all parishes soon. Licences are needed because of copyright and NCalc is contracted with Ordnance Survey.</p>	<p>VH  KW</p>
	2010/32 - Play Area Lease – Gill Morgan still to register	GM
	<p>201034 - Highways :</p> <p>i) Line outside village shop – this was done and then removed when the road was resurfaced but had now been re-</p>	

	<p>instated.</p> <p>ii) The Green – it was agreed an informal meeting should be arranged so the various options and issues affecting the Green can be discussed. Kevin Ward stated that the lease with Mr Davidge is nearly up after 20 years and agreed to speak to him. It was agreed to hold a meeting on 7.9.10 when the Village Design Statement will also be discussed.</p> <p>iii) Speed watch – this project is now nearly ready to go head. Item to be put in newsletter inviting people to train to use the speed guns. Gill Morgan reported that 7 new traffic orders have been raised due to successful use of the campaign allowing for camera vans to be placed in new locations.</p>	<p>KW</p> <p>All</p>
	<p>2010/37 - Project Work :</p> <p>i) Photos for website – Gill Morgan will give some to ‘Good Neighbours’ for identification.</p> <p>ii) Pub Field – Dawn Allingham reported that the archaeologists are returning but site surveys may be reduced due to government cut backs. The footpath vegetation needs cutting back – Dawn Allingham will speak to pub about this.</p> <p>iii) Helen Barnell reported that the spoil from the pond has not been very well removed by Brown and Barden. Councillors will look after this meeting.</p> <p>iv) Mid Northants Parishes - Kevin Ward agreed to be link, Clerk to send on information when it arrives.</p> <p>v) BTCV – Helen Barnell had written to BTCV about the contract with the PC but had not yet received a response.</p> <p>21010/39 – organisation of minutes – it was agreed that the Clerk send out the Action Points for Councillors immediately after the meeting and that the Minutes are issued 2 weeks prior to the meeting. Agenda items to Clerk also 2 weeks before meeting.</p>	<p>DA</p> <p>VH</p> <p>KW</p> <p>VH</p>
<b>2010/41</b>	<p>Police matters</p> <p>Ruth Kentigern Fox reported that 5 primary schools in the area have signed up to the Safer Schools Partnership. Speeding, anti-social behaviour and the presence of community officers still regarded as priorities. Road markings are going to be looked at. There has been an increase in car related crime – stabbing of petrol tanks, and ‘Operation Guardian’ has been launched to counteract this. Fly tipping including asbestos sheets is continuing to cause problems.</p>	
<b>2010/42</b>	<p>District and Council Matters – response to Northants ‘Arc Concept’ to be in by 16.7.10 – see Strategic Planning.</p>	
<b>2010/43</b>	<p>Correspondence Out</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Brown and Barden – request for quote for removing spoil from pond +emailed response</li> </ul> <p>In</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii. SNC – Town twinning with village in West Germany- this item was discussed but it was agreed that no particular interest was accrued to this village – possibly issue should be explored.</li> <li>iii. NCC – Northants Minerals and Waste Development Framework: Core Strategy Development Plan Document</li> <li>iv. SNC – re road closure for 4.7.10 for Country Fair</li> <li>v. South Northants Homes – major works briefing paper</li> <li>vi. SNC – PC Newsletter</li> <li>vii. NCC – Changes to recycling centre from 21.6.10(notice up) and moving of ‘Re-use shops’.</li> <li>viii. NCalc Update and training guide</li> <li>ix. Arts News (notice up)</li> <li>x. Alzheimers Society – (notice up)</li> <li>xi. Snvb Link Up – newsletter</li> <li>xii. Draft Brackley Masterplan</li> </ul>	
<b>2010/44</b>	<p>Highways and Transport Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Firze Road – problems being caused by pot holes for disabled people.</li> <li>ii) Various overhanging hedges causing problems in Green Road for mobility scooters and pedestrians – Gill Ager will call on the relevant residents.</li> <li>iii) A petition of 40 signatories about traffic problems in Billing Road had been received. It was agreed that the Clerk send a copy be sent to Sergeant Hodgson, Officer in charge of Traffic Management at Sketty Close requesting that they look at the problem and take action. The PC questioned whether there were any ‘No HGV’ signs on Bedford Road advising driver on the approach to Billing Rd, the Chair confirmed these were in place but others we not convinced. All to check.</li> </ul>	<p>GA</p> <p>VH</p> <p>ALL</p>
<b>2010/45</b>	<p>Strategic Planning - Kevin Ward - The new government may abolish the Regional Spatial Strategy. At present there has been no formal abolition despite various proposals. NCC has issued the ‘ARC Concept’ a strategic statement on the economy and transport issues. A petition on the JPU has been issued – it has 600 signatures and a formal response is to be made by 26.7.10. Nene Ridge Parishes meeting will discuss the ‘Arc Concept’.</p> <p>Mid Northants Parishes – proceeding with caution with website and association. The AGM was held in May and it was agreed that wind turbines should be opposed? Kevin Ward is concerned that blanket statements should not be made and then it assumed that parishes will follow.</p> <p>The new railway line – High Speed Link – discussions at present are about compensation.</p>	

2010/46	<p>Project Work Terry Barnell:</p> <p>i) Problems with crashing of NSB system who host our website which has been causing issues in relation to updating the site.</p> <p>ii) The changes in the Village booklet have been put on the website as are photos of the Flower Festival.</p> <p>iii) TB reported that the blogs from our MP that had been available prior to the General Election have recommenced – TB had asked our MP why these had been stopped – no response had been forthcoming however they had been re-instated.</p> <p>iv) The JPU website has been redeveloped</p> <p>v) There is now a link on the website regarding the information on the potential abolition of Regional Spatial Strategy.</p>																						
2010/47	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>Cheques to Pay:</p> <table data-bbox="400 819 1337 1077"> <tr> <td>E-on Maintenance</td> <td>Chq 663</td> <td>£256.28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Two Shires Landscapes- Play Area grass</td> <td>Chq 664</td> <td>£120.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Brown and Barden - Green grass</td> <td>Chq 665</td> <td>£352.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>V Hartley - Petty Cash</td> <td>Chq 666</td> <td>£35.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>T. Boon - Cleaning July, Aug Sept</td> <td>Chq 667</td> <td>£156.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Brown and Barden - Green grass</td> <td>Chq 668</td> <td>£199.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Roade School – newsletter</td> <td>Chq 669</td> <td>£18.62</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Parish Council agreed to pay a share of the membership of SLCC (£95 divided between Gayton and Brafield PC)</p> <p>Rick Thake’s Annual Report was reported on by the Clerk.</p> <p>The Risk Assessment document produced by Dawn Allingham was ratified by the Council for development of diary plan. This was proposed by Gill Ager and seconded by Helen Barnell. Further discussion will take place at the informal meeting – this must be considered a ‘working document’</p>	E-on Maintenance	Chq 663	£256.28	Two Shires Landscapes- Play Area grass	Chq 664	£120.00	Brown and Barden - Green grass	Chq 665	£352.50	V Hartley - Petty Cash	Chq 666	£35.99	T. Boon - Cleaning July, Aug Sept	Chq 667	£156.00	Brown and Barden - Green grass	Chq 668	£199.75	Roade School – newsletter	Chq 669	£18.62	
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2010/48  2010/49	<p>Precis items for newsletter – this were itemised by Helen Barnell.</p> <p><b>Action Points for Councillors and Clerk arising from meeting held on 5.7.10</b></p> <p><b>Kevin Ward</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk to Christopher Davidge re Green</li> <li>• Photos</li> <li>• Rights of Way re footpaths</li> <li>• Highway Order plan for HGVs</li> <li>• HB and KW to respond to Arc Concept consultation</li> </ul> <p><b>Dawn Allingham</b></p>																						

<p><b>2010/50</b></p> <p><b>2010/51</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On going – development of pub field for public use including width of path.</li> </ul> <p><b>Gill Morgan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification of people in photos for website – see ‘Good Neighbours’.</li> <li>• Community Speed Watch.</li> <li>• Registration of play ground lease.</li> </ul> <p><b>Helen Barnell</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Village Design Statement</li> <li>• ARC Concept</li> <li>• Nene Ridge Parishes Meeting 8.7.10</li> <li>• Spoil from pond</li> <li>• Newsletter</li> </ul> <p><b>Gill Ager</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Markings</li> <li>• Pot holes</li> <li>• Residents re hedges</li> <li>• Signs for HGVs on Bedford Road</li> </ul> <p><b>Ruth Kentigern – Fox</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Precis newsletter items for Helen Barnell</li> <li>• Take leaflets to shop</li> </ul> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Send Action points to Councillors asap after meeting, minutes 2 weeks prior to meeting</li> <li>• Write to Jim Cosford NCC Rights of Way re KC2</li> <li>• Send petition SGT Hodgson re Billing Road</li> <li>• Advise KW when Mid Northants Parishes info is through</li> <li>• Obtain 50% of SLCC membership from GPC</li> <li>• Add ‘Environmental Matters’ and ‘Community Issues’ to agenda</li> </ul> <p>Future Agenda items</p> <p>It is important that decisions are not made under ‘Any other Business’/ Councillors comments’ To avoid this happening it was agreed that the Clerk should receive agenda items at least 2 weeks before the meeting. ‘Environmental matters’ and ‘Community Issues’ should be included. It was decided that the Annual Review headings should be used to co-ordinate the minutes and Review.</p> <p>Councillors Comments</p> <p>Helen Barnell:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Culvert repair on Green – HB will ask BTCV to quote and it was agreed that the repair done once quote obtained.</li> <li>ii) Ray Henman will not charge for visits of ‘Unpaid Workers’ to hall.</li> <li>iii) The recently planted Beech Tree has been watered.</li> <li>iv) Washing has been stolen from somebody’s clothes line.</li> </ol>
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	<p>Next meetings 20/9/10, Monday 15.11.10</p> <p>Gill Ager sent her apologies for 20.9.10</p>	
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