

BROOKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Members are summoned to a meeting of Brookland Parish Council to be held on Monday 28th November 2022 at 7.30pm at The Village Hall, Brookland.

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Wallington, Cllr Gillies, Cllr Bicknell, Cllr Kennedy, A Lawson, 3 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr Roberts and F&HDC Cllr Goddard

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Kennedy re Fairfield Court Farm planning permission

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2022 were unanimously agreed as a true record of that meeting. Proposed Cllr Gillies, seconded Cllr Bicknell.

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – Public Participation

The council listened to representation from a member of the public objecting to the re consultation for planning permission at Fairfield Court Farm.

5. PLANNING

22/1817/FH

Proposal: Two Storey side extension Lansdell Cottage, Short Lane, Snargate, Romney Marsh, TN29 0EP – No comment on this application

22/1823/FH

Proposal: Change of use of garage to holiday let including steeper pitched roof to allow for sleeping accommodation and first floor level alterations to fenestration Walnut Tree Cottage, Rye Road, Brookland, Romney Marsh, TN29 9RB – No objection

22/1793/FH

Proposal: Full planning application for the erection of one detached dwelling with associated access, parking and landscaping. Apples Joy, Straight Lane, Brookland, Romney Marsh, TN29 9QS – Request to ensure if goes ahead material used are similar to other properties in this location. Lack of village amenities for new builds also a concern.

21/2035/FH

Re-consultation Fairfield Court Farm, Brack Lane, Brookland, TN29 9RX. Noted a number of reports are not available on the planning portal, given public comments PC would like to see this application decided by full committee meeting.

22/1667/FH

Proposal: Removal of existing conservatory. Construction of a single storey flat roof extension including extending and integrating existing utility room and pitched roof. All works to rear of property. 21 West Place, Brookland, Romney Marsh, TN29 9RG. No objection

Mulberry House – Update given on correspondence re planning permission

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT & REPORTS FROM OTHER OUTSIDE BODIES

None

7. ROAD SAFETY & HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Members discussed completion of HIP with KCC, main concern relates to the A259 and lack of crossing point. Clerk to seek clarity on whether a HIP can be used to address this concern. Members also discussed a fee proposal from Mayer Brown (Highways Consultant) regarding assistance with potential speed reduction and pedestrian crossing for A259 and unanimously agreed to fund a Highways Technical note to help confirm if changes to A259 would be acceptable. Proposed Cllr Wallington, Seconded Cllr Kennedy

8. FINANCE BUDGET & PRECEPT 23/24

Members to review invoices paid and to be paid since the last meeting and forecast expenses to the end of the financial year. No issues raised

Members also reviewed the draft budget for 23/24 and unanimously agreed to make no change to the precept request for 23/24. The Precept request will remain at £12,870 for the new financial year.

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

- a. Village Sign – Finalising work for the foundations, to be completed in Spring 2023
- b. Grass Cutting – Agreed to extend the existing contract at same rates for 2023/24
- c. Church Noticeboard -Cllr Wallington to confirm with Rev Body regarding new posts
- d. Disabled Parking Bays – Cllr Bicknell working with local residents for 2 bays

10. REQUESTS FOR FUNDING

- a. Village Hall – request for £1,000 to assist with ground maintenance unanimously agreed
- b. Playgroup – request £625 towards rent for 2023 unanimously agreed

11. NALC CLERKS PAY AWARD

Members discussed the recently published NALC pay award for clerks back dated to April 22 and unanimously agreed to adopt the new pay scales. Proposed Cllr Gillies, Seconded Cllr Bicknell

12. ANY FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be 23rd January 2023 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.