

## BREThERTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at Bretherton Endowed Primary School, South Road, Bretherton @ 8.00 pm.

**Present:** Cllr J T Rigby (Chairman), Cllr J Pigott, Cllr G Lloyd, Cllr S Moulton, Cllr B Monk and Cllr K Jolley and J Cavan (Clerk to the council).

**In Attendance:** One member of the Public. Two further members of the public and two police representatives attended part of the meeting.

**01/11 Apologies**

There were no apologies.

**02/11 Declaration of Interest**

Cllrs Pigott, Lloyd and Monk declared a personal interest in item 06.01/11 with regard to payment to the Bowling Club as they are members of the said club.

**03/11 Minutes of Parish Council Meetings held on December 6<sup>th</sup> 2010**

The minutes of the meeting of the council held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010 were RESOLVED to be an accurate record and were signed by the chairman.

It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn the Parish Council Meeting to allow public participation.

**04/11 Matters raised by members of the public, Police, Borough or County Councillors**

A resident from North Road requested advice on how she and fellow residents could try to prevent there being further accidents on North Road following the dreadful fatal accident in January. North Road is part of the village of Bretherton; a B road and should have a 30 mph limit, as South Road does. A fellow resident of North Road reported that the problems caused by the volume and speed of traffic on North Road were continually worsening.

Cllr Monk reported that he had counted 220 cars passing canal Leach in one 30 minute period. Cllr Rigby suggested that residents write to Lancashire County Council, Chorley Borough and the M.P. to bring as much pressure to bear as possible to achieve greater safety on North Road. PCSO Featherstone reported that the investigation into the accident was not yet complete but at present there was no indication that the vehicle involved had been speeding although it did appear to have been overtaking another vehicle. She agreed that a speed reduction on the road was needed; along with sleeping policemen if possible.

PCSO Featherstone presented a summary of crimes in Bretherton in the preceding month. There had been no crimes but 4 car accidents; including the fatal collision. Lead thefts were a problem and she recommended roofs be treated with Smart water. She confirmed that funding for PCSOs had been ring fenced for a further 2 years.

Cllr Pigott reported that progress was being made towards the establishment of a "No Cold Callers" zone in the village.

The noticeboard at The Apiary has been damaged by the wind and needs urgent repair.

Cllr Jolley reported that she had received oral confirmation from Chorley Borough Council Planning Department that it would be acceptable to take out some of the oak saplings at Bamfords Fold.

Lorraine Fulbrook M.P. had advised that she would hold regular surgeries in Bretherton but to date, none have taken place.

It was **RESOLVED** to re-convene the Parish Council Meeting.

**05/11 Planning**

**05.1/11 New Planning Applications**

Application Number	Location	Development	Parish Council Response
10/01055/FUL	Barrowford House, Lock Lane, Sollom.	Erection of replacement dwelling.	It was RESOLVED to make no comment.

### 05.2/11 Decisions Made

Members noted the following planning decisions.

Ref	Location	Details	Decision
10/0919/FUL	Briar Cottage, 187 South Road.	Detached double garage with storage above.	Planning Permission Refused.

### 06/11 Finance

#### 06.1/11 Payments

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the following invoices, the invoices having been inspected/authorised and cheques signed by Cllr G Lloyd and Cllr B Monk.

Cheque no.	Recipient	Description	Amount
1003	Lancashire CC	Room Hire	£60.00
1004	J Cavan	Salary for December	£166.24
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1006	J Cavan	Expenses to 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2011	£29.52
1007	Bretherton Bowling Club	Agreed donation	£1300.00
1008	Ms D Mee	Upkeep of war memorial	£50.00
1009	Aon Ltd	Insurance cover - Spid	£21.82
1010	South Ribble B.C.	Grounds maintenance (October)	£110.85
1011	South Ribble B.C.	Application of herbicide	£49.86
1012	Keith Eccleshare	Salary - January	£98.40
1013	Keith Eccleshare	Purchase of Hi-viz jacket	£30.00

#### 06.2/11 Monitoring Statement

It was **RESOLVED** that the monitoring statement for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011 be approved and the Chairman signed the statement on behalf of the Parish Council.

#### 07/11 Maintenance of the War Memorial

It was RESOLVED that the planting of flowers at the War memorial would form part of the contract for the maintenance of the council owned/managed grounds and that Ms. Mee would be thanked for all her work to date.

#### 08/11 Exclusion of press and public

It was RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 1 (1), 1(2) and 1(3) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and defined in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted in agenda item 09/11.

#### 09/11 Maintenance of Council owned/managed grounds

The six tenders to maintain the grounds were considered and, following the examination of references received for James Forshaw Grounds Maintenance it was RESOLVED that the contract to maintain the council's grounds for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 be awarded to James Forshaw Grounds Maintenance.

#### 10/11 Budget and Precept for 2011/12

The budget for 2011/12 was considered and it was RESOLVED that the 2011/12 precept would be £9124.00.

#### 11/11 Queen Elizabeth Playing Fields Scheme

It was RESOLVED that the playing fields on South Road would be put forward for consideration for inclusion in the Queen Elizabeth 2<sup>nd</sup> Diamond Jubilee Celebration Playing Fields Scheme.

#### 12/11 Tender for the Refurbishment and development of the Play Area and Grounds

Cllr Pigott provided an update on the progress towards the refurbishment and development of the play area and surrounding grounds. Four tenders had been received to undertake the work and it was RESOLVED that the tender be awarded to Landscape Engineering Ltd. It was further RESOLVED that a volunteer day would be held on February 19<sup>th</sup> to clear out the ditch at the side of the play area.

**13/11 Fatal accident at junction of North Road and Pompian Brow**

It was RESOLVED that Lancashire County Council would be asked to extend the 30 mph speed limit along South road to west of the junction with Carr House Lane and along North Road to a point east of Canal Leach. In addition they would be asked to give consideration to installing mini roundabouts at the junctions of Pompian Brow and North Road and Carr House Lane and North Road.

**14/11 Additional sites for locating Speed Indicator Advice**

It was RESOLVED that an application would be made to Lancashire County Council to site an additional Spid mounting plate on North Road in the vicinity of the junction with Pompian Brow; facing traffic travelling west.

**15/11 Future of policing in the parish**

Members expressed their concern regarding the possible detrimental effect on policing in Bretherton, should CBM Plummer retire in 2011. It was noted that PC Howard had already left the police force and this represented a 20% reduction in policing in the Coppull neighbourhood. It was RESOLVED to write to the Chief Constable, with a copy to the County Councillor Iddon and Lorraine Fulbrook MP, to request confirmation that CBM Plummer will be replaced, should she retire and that the area should not suffer any further reductions in policing.

**16/11 Sites for Chorley**

It was RESOLVED that members wished to make no further representations with regard to the Sites for Chorley document.

**17/11 Newsletter**

The content of the March 2011 newsletter was considered and agreed and it was RESOLVED that the newsletter would be printed by Rufford Printing Company and that the associated costs would be met.

**18/11 Nominations for Representation on the Three Tier Forum**

It was RESOLVED that members did not wish to nominate a representative to serve on the Chorley Three Tier Forum.

**19/11 Actions Arising out of Recreation Inspections**

It was RESOLVED that should the weekly inspections reveal any issues requiring urgent attention these would be notified to the clerk by email as well as being recorded on the inspection form. The clerk would then either ensure the issue was added to the agenda for the next meeting or, where the issue was extremely urgent due to issues of safety, take appropriate action ahead of the meeting.

**20/11 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on 7<sup>th</sup> March at 8.00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

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