

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting
Of Broughton Parish Council
Held at St Marys House, Wykham Lane, Broughton
On 9th March 2020 at 7.00pm

Councillors Present

Mr Howarth and Mr Mills

Clerk to the Council, Mrs C Coles

As only two Councillors were present and the meeting was inquorate, no decision making could be carried out. The following matters were reported.

20/14. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Leech, Cllr Byrne and Cllr Hands

20/15. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda

No interests were declared.

20/16. Public participation session

There were no members of the public present.

20/17. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2020

To carry forward for approval at the next meeting.

20/18. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only

The planning concern at 1 Danvers Road was reported to CDC.

20/19. To receive an update on the work by Thames Water and traffic lights

OCC Highways, Thames Water and Cllr George Reynolds are involved in this issue which has been ongoing for months. This is the latest update.

1: The traffic lights are in place to provide safe and clear access for X2 tankers to control flows at the TW pump station. Should tankers not be present there is a risk that a) the pump station will spill polluting the environment and potentially the road, and b) flooding to a customer's land near their property.

2: Thames Water anticipate for another 3 or 4 weeks. They have significant groundwater and water infiltration into the foul sewer. Significant work is being undertaken to understand where it is coming from. For example, they have identified already a property pumping significant ground water from their basement into the sewer.

3: They need to understand how the water is getting into the sewer. The area has had lots of money spent in making the sewer more leak proof. Many kilometres of leak proof lining have been completed but water will find a way. Groundwater levels and infiltration levels are higher now than over the last couple of years.

4: Investigations with the TW team continue, and they have been out since just before Christmas trying to understand what is going on. Understanding where water comes in on a full pipe is not easy. They have purchased additional equipment to help bung lines and allow them to see which parts have leaks. This equipment is currently being made and will be received within the next X2 weeks.

20/20. To discuss the Great British Spring Clean

This will run from 20th March to 13th April. It is hoped that villagers can pick up rubbish whilst out walking around the village. The Chair has agreed to put an article in the March Social Group Newsletter asking everyone to participate.

20/21. Financial Report

a) *Update on bank balances*

The Clerk reported an account balance of £6292.11

b) *The following payment would be approved at the next meeting:-*

£140.42 to OALC (subscription)

20/22. To receive an update on Planning

Nothing has been received since the last meeting.

20/23. The following correspondence was received and circulated:

OCC Highways, Temporary Road Closure, Wykham Lane 9th March

20/24. To receive Councillors Reports

The website has recently been down due to a lack of storage space. Cllr Byrne has now been able to recover the site. To be discussed again at a future meeting.

20/25. Date and Time of Next Meeting

28th May 2020 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.