Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting Of Broughton Parish Council Held on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.00pm At St Marys House, Broughton

Councillors Present

Cllr Byrne, Cllr Hilsdon, Cllr Mills and Cllr Howarth

Clerk to the Council, Mrs C Coles

The meeting was chaired by Cllr Mills in the absence of Cllr Leech.

23/54. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Leech (personal)

23/55. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda

No interests were declared.

23/56. Public participation session

There were no members of the public present.

23/57. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July 2023

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

23/58. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda

No Entry Signs on Wykham Lane - These have been placed on yellow backing boards to help them stand out at no cost to the Parish Council.

Website - The website is secure now.

New bin for Jubilee Gardens – To carry forward to the next meeting.

Highways Super User – The Chair has received her training and equipment.

Overgrown vegetation on the Main Road – A letter was sent to the property owner.

23/59. To discuss the cutting of the hedge on Wykham Lane

This matter was raised by a parishioner at the Annual Parish Meeting in May. Nothing could happen during bird nesting season (March to September) but work can take place now. The hedge is high. A working party could do the work but it would be dangerous.

Action: The Parish Clerk to get a couple of quotes.

23/60. Financial Report

a) Update on bank balances

The Clerk reported an account balance of £9387.78.

b) The following payments were approved under statutory powers:

£9.95 to S Leech (blades for strimmer)

£700.00 to A Bathe (grass cutting)

£465.38 to Parish Clerk (hours)

£37.29 to Parish Clerk (expenses)

23/61. To receive an update on planning

There were no applications to consider.

23/62. To receive the following correspondence

• Highways, Preparing for Winter. There is the offer of a free bag of salt and salt bins are to be checked. They will be topped up once only.

23/63. To receive Councillors Reports

The subject of 20mph is being discussed again on the Whatsapp group. There are more 20mph limits in other villages now. The idea was discussed last year but there was little interest. The deadline is 29th October 2023. It was agreed to revisit this one last time. A flyer will be produced and delivered to each house asking for a response by 30.09.23. There may be more traffic calming opportunities with a 20mph scheme which are not possible in a village with no street lights and 30mph limit. All responses will be reviewed and other measures discussed to help reduce speeding. A decision on whether to agree to it will be taken at the next meeting.

Action: The Parish Clerk to draft a flyer which will be delivered to each house.

23/64. To note next meeting date and time

9th October 2023 at 7pm (change from 30.10.23)

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.