

BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on 16th February 2016 at 7.30pm in the Church Room, Brightwell-cum-Sotwell

Present: Cllrs C. Collett (Chair), S. Booth, A. McGivan, J. Debney and S. Jackson.

In attendance: L. Dalby (Clerk) and District Cllr J. Murphy.

1.	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Cllr D. Fox, H. Baines, S. Robson and County Cllr L. Atkins.																			
2.	Minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2016 The minutes of the last meeting were agreed with one amendment and signed by the Chairman.																			
3.	Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. There were none.																			
4.	Public Participation There was none.																			
5.	<p>Reports</p> <p>a) County Councillor's Report It is the County Council's main budget setting meeting today.</p> <p>b) District Councillors' Report There will be grants available from SODC of £1 per household to celebrate the Queen's Birthday. More money will also be available for Neighbourhood Plan groups and the Council are considering employing more Neighbourhood Planning Officers. The Council Tax will remain the same for 2016/17. Plans are being considered for the old SODC site at Crowmarsh Gifford. The recycling rate in the district has dropped due to contamination of recyclable materials in green bins.</p> <p>Cllr Jackson joined the meeting.</p> <p>c) Clerk's Report I have started an Insurance claim for the stolen Millennium Wood Kissing Gate. The members of the shop voted in favour of accepting the offer of a contract with the Post Office.</p> <p>Cllr Debney joined the meeting.</p> <p>d) Planning Report</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">Ref</th> <th style="width: 55%;">Description</th> <th style="width: 15%;">PC Rec</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Decision</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>P15/S3724/ HH</td> <td>2 storey extension with external covered storage area & improvements to driveway. 5 Grove Cottages</td> <td>Approve</td> <td>Granted</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P15/S4145/ HH</td> <td>Two storey side extension. 46, Greenmere</td> <td>NSV</td> <td>Granted</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P16/S0229/ FUL</td> <td>Demolition of existing single storey, pitched roof prefabricated dwelling (concrete Woolaway system). Erection of two storey, pitched roof replacement dwelling constructed of brick and clay tiles. Localised external works around the new dwelling. Existing</td> <td>NSV</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Ref	Description	PC Rec	Decision	P15/S3724/ HH	2 storey extension with external covered storage area & improvements to driveway. 5 Grove Cottages	Approve	Granted	P15/S4145/ HH	Two storey side extension. 46, Greenmere	NSV	Granted	P16/S0229/ FUL	Demolition of existing single storey, pitched roof prefabricated dwelling (concrete Woolaway system). Erection of two storey, pitched roof replacement dwelling constructed of brick and clay tiles. Localised external works around the new dwelling. Existing	NSV	
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<p>Cllr Debney reported that the proposed drainage grill in the driveway at Deacons Orchard should be replaced by gravel which would be more in keeping with the area and less noisy.</p>																																			
<p>e) Neighbourhood Plan Report Cllr Debney has submitted the Draft Site Selection Criteria to SODC. There is to be a public consultation meeting on 10th March at 7.30pm in the Church.</p>																																			
<p>f) Traffic Survey Cllr Fox's report was noted.</p>																																			
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6.	<p>Matters for Discussion/Decision</p>																																		
<p>a) Annual Parish Meeting Date It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on 24th May.</p>																																			
<p>b) Queen's Birthday Celebrations There is to be an outdoor cinema evening on Friday 10th June and Brightfest will take place on Saturday 11th. It is hoped there will be a Street Party on Sunday 12th. It was agreed that it is important to co-ordinate all the groups and activities to ensure equipment and funds are available to all. It was agreed to ask groups to inform the Parish Council of any proposed activities and Cllr Debney will ask for a volunteer to organise the Street Party.</p>																																			
<p>c) Donation Review Ongoing.</p>																																			
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<p>e) Complaints Procedure The Complaints Procedure was reviewed and agreed.</p>																																			
7.	<p>Matters for report and inclusion on March's Agenda</p>																																		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gigaclear - The Coppicing at Kings Meadow has been completed. 																																			

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cllr Collett reported that the Smith Family had helped to spread the wood chipping along the footpaths. The Clerk will write a letter of thanks.- The Orchard Group wish to plant fruit trees along Bell Lane. |
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It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council would take place on Tuesday 15th March 2016 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.40 pm.