



# Brean Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Brean Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### Present

Cllr J Harris  
Cllr T Hicks  
Councillors

Chairman  
Vice-Chairman  
Mrs J Jackman, Mr D Scott, Mr M Chatterton, Mrs Smith and Mr D  
Holland

Two members of the public

Sam Peake Clerk to the Council

### 130/17 Apologies

Cllrs Filmer and Grimes

### 131/17 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Harris informed the meeting that where members consider they may have a potential interest in any topic for discussion and decision they should declare an interest and withdraw from the discussion and decision making process.

### 132/17 Approval of draft minutes

The draft minutes of the meeting dated Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017 were approved with the amendment on 117/17 which should read Brean Court and signed by the Chairman.

### 133/17 To respond to members of the public

There were no issues raised

### 134/17 Discussion of matters arising from previous minutes

- Highways to be contacted regarding the gradient of the drop kerb and the lack of “bumps” at the crossing outside Brean Court as it is a potential hazard.
- Clerk reported that SCC will be in contact with the owner of the Rectory as the fence is deemed to be on the public highway.
- Clerk reported that Brandon Hire quote was £250.00 + VAT and delivery for internal scaffolding. However they cannot supply someone to actually erect it. Members resolved to

agree to the quote received by the Methodist church of £450.00 plus VAT for erecting the internal scaffolding.

- Two of the transport managers were contacted by Cllr Harris regarding vehicles turning in the Knoll Park area. There have no further complaints to date.

#### **135/17 To note progress with on going planning application and applications for premises licences**

#### **136/17 New Planning Applications and Licensing Act Premises Licences for consideration**

Planning application no 06/17/0005/DRT

Erection of a machinery Store Building at Brean Leisure Park, Coast Road, Berrow, Burnham on Sea, TA8 2QY for Brean Leisure Park

Council had no grounds on which to object to this application

Cllr Harris, Hicks and Scott declared an interest and left the room

Planning application 06/17/00007/DRT

Erection of an extension to SE elevation of existing workshop at Northam Farm, South Road, Brean, TA8 2SE for Mr Scott

Council had no grounds on which to object to this application

#### **137/17 Beach Management**

- (i) A student will be carrying out a survey of evidence of micro plastics in the beach and sea
- (ii) A complaint has been made to the footpaths officer regarding the sand accumulating on the High Ridge footpath
- (iii) The beach manager has been experimenting with the amount of times the beach is cleared of seaweed. This year the beach has looked messier but this is seaweed not litter. Cllr Harris suggested cleaning the seaweed 2 or 3 times a year to which members agreed. It was noted that the sand dunes are expanding

#### **138/17 Reports from Councillors on village issues**

A letter was received regarding the state of the toilets on the beach. Council recognised that the cleanliness is not the problem but that they are old and in need of renovation.

#### **139/17 Approval of cheques for the current month's expenditure**

A schedule of cheques and direct debit expenditure for July and August 2017 is included at Annex 1 to the minutes.

#### **140/17 Financial matters**

Chairman received and signed payments and receipts for July and August 2017. No bank reconciliation or income and expenditure statement was received as the bank statements had not come through.

Council resolved to remove the previous RFO/clerk Jacqueline Manning as signatory for Santander and add Samantha Peake, the new RFO/Clerk

#### **141/17 Correspondence for review and circulation**

James Heappey MP is unable to come to the next meeting.

**142/17 To note the following correspondence on the circulation list**

Severn Estuary Forum programme updates  
CCS Newsletter  
Somerset Community Foundation Newsletter  
SWP briefing and news  
Interim Chief Executive details  
Hospital info  
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment  
SDC Cluster Group info  
Letter from Sue Mountstevens  
Submission of Local Plan  
LDF Newsletter  
Closure of Brean Road/Wick Road/Red Road on 9<sup>th</sup> October for resurfacing  
Somerset Rivers Authority report

**143/17 Members' comments on previously circulated correspondence**

There were none

**144/17 To consider new clerking arrangements**

Clerk has indicated that she is unable to continue as clerk due to over stretching herself and will advertise for a new clerk

**145/17 Other matters raised by Councillors for discussion at the next meeting in October 2017**

- The fireworks at the Leisure Park continue to cause a problem. The problem is being monitored
- The lack of police presence at Parish Council meetings was noted but the police have indicated that they will not be attending as a matter of course.
- The cycle path has proved to be very successful so far. There have been 28,000 clicks on the counter since it officially opened 7 weeks ago

**146/17 Date of next meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7 p.m.

Meeting finished at 7.40. p.m.

