

**Minutes of the Brookenby Annual Council Meeting held at 7.00 pm
at the Community Centre, Kent Road, Brookenby on 1st May 2023**

Present: Cllr L. Fraser (Chair), Cllr S. Turnbull, Cllr C. Matthews, Cllr S. Coulam, Cllr N. Tracey,
Members of public present: 12
In Attendance: Carl Thomas,

1 Public Session - 15 minutes - Ref: 2643

A member of the public raised concern regarding vehicles parking on verges. The Clerk and Chair explained that this was a matter outside of the parish council remit as it was a highways matter. A request could be made to highways for restrictions but unlikely to be granted because of the narrow roads in Brookenby which would restrict emergency vehicles. It was suggested that the resident concerned provides information as to the extent of the problem before any further action is taken.

A resident asked what was happening with the peacocks. The Clerk confirmed that the matter could not progress any further due to time resources and not being able to enter private property.

2 To receive apologies and reasons for absence - Ref: 2644

Cllr R. Purdy

3 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 - being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary

interest in agenda items not previously on members Register of Interests. - Ref: 2645

None

4 To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28/03/23 - Ref: 2646

It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr S. Turnbull Seconder: Cllr C. Matthews All in favour

5 To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 03/04/23 - Ref: 2647

It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr S. Coulam Seconder: Cllr C. Matthews All in favour

6 To discuss electrical meters - Ref: 2648

The Clerk confirmed that the main meter had now been located and that meter readings of all internal meters were being read weekly every Tuesday. It was agreed to continue taking readings until the end of May.

Quotes would be sought to renew the electrical installation certification.

Cllr Matthews asked Cllr Fraser for clarification of his relationship with Brookwold, the electricity supplier. Cllr Fraser stated that Brookwold acquired the technical park site from him together with the electrical system, the supply contract with the electrical supplier, the supply system and the supply contracts for all of the tenants including the parish council. Cllr Fraser stated he had no involvement with Brookwold from a commercial point of view or from the point of billing electricity. He further said that, on an ad hoc basis he gave advice to for Brookwold and, where necessary, assisted with looking after the legacy (distribution) equipment. In response to a further question from Cllr Matthews, Cllr Fraser confirmed that this legacy arrangement was why he had changed the meter.

7 To discuss Northern Powergrid Wayleave Agreement and consider legal advice - Ref: 2649

Legal advice had been received and circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. It was resolved to further engage the solicitors to negotiate the terms of the wayleave agreement to include the capacity of the line and available power, lift and shift clause and to recover reasonable legal fees from Northern Power.

Cllr Fraser agreed to supply the clause in an existing wayleave agreement not related to this application.

Proposed: Cllr L. Fraser Seconder: Cllr S. Turnbull All in favour

8 Date of the next meeting will be Wed 17/05/23 - Ref: 2650

Meeting closed at 8.00 pm

