

Minutes of the Brookenby Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00 pm

at the Community Centre, Kent Road, Brookenby on 7th January 2025

Present: Cllr R. Purdy, Cllr S. Turnbull, Cllr B. Preece, Cllr N Tracey, Cllr S. Sumnall, Cllr S. Coulam, Cllr L Fraser

In Attendance: Chris Bowles (Clerk), Cllr T. Smith (LCC and WLDC) (delayed arrival)
Members of public present: 4

Ref 3021 Public Session – 15 Minutes

In the public session prior to the start of the meeting a representative of Brookenby Venue wished to acknowledge the work of the Clerk's in completing the lease arrangements for the former theatre. The Clerk acknowledged Cllr Fraser's valuable assistance.

Ref 3022 To receive apologies for absence

Nil

Ref 3023 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

None

Ref 3024 To receive any reports from external organisations to include Ward Councillor

Cllr Sumnall updated the meeting on WCAG activities
Cllr T. Smith (LCC and WLDC) was delayed but, on arrival, stated that now the building in York Road had been completed LCC would survey the drains and any remedial work or repairs would be carried out. He also spoke about the severe weather and the deployment by "Gold Command" of LCC and other assets, winter gritting and the arrangements for getting grit bins refilled if necessary.

Ref 3025 To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 3rd December 2024

It was resolved to approve these as a true record. Proposed Cllr S Coulam,
Seconded. Cllr L Fraser.

Finance Report

Ref 3026 To approve payment of Schedule of Payments

Resolved to approve a Schedule of payments of £2018.23, Proposed: Cllr B Preece,
Seconded Cllr N Tracey. All in favour.

Ref 3027 To note receipts to Council

The Clerk notified council of monies received totalling £1053.65

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Ref 3028 To Accept the Bank Reconciliation

Bank reconciliation as of 2008hrs 31/12/24 showing a cash book total of £49,181.90 was approved by the Chair

Ref 3029 To discuss Children's playground issues and resolve on any action to be taken.

Various administrative matters were being addressed before construction begins after the end of February

Ref 3030 To re-approve the Council's Grant Policy

Performance Policy

Safeguarding Policy

Proposed Cllr S Coulam, Seconded Cllr N Tracey. All in favour.

Clerk's Report

- **Ref 3031 Community Centre**

The Clerk reported on the recent usage of the Community Centre.

- **Ref 3032 Correspondence Received**

The Clerk reported that he:

- had received Correspondence regarding Planning Application WL/2025/00027 (Building 30, Brookenby Business Park). Members had no objections.
- had received Correspondence on an insurance claim against the Council
- had finally resolved with BGL the inaccurate estimates of gas usage
- had initiated contact with Eon in relation to an improved electricity provision.
- Had received some response to the grass cutting tender issue

Ref 3033 To resolve to move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed in relation to the following: -

Ref 3034

To discuss the progression of plans for outdoor exercise equipment and resolve on any action to be taken.

Proposed: Cllr S Turnbull Seconded: Cllr. L Fraser

Open Meeting concluded 1934 hrs

After discussion the Council decided it required clarification and more information on which to make a decision on how to proceed so no course of action was resolved.

Closed session concluded 2020 hours.