# **BRISTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the Briston Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2 March 2015 at 7.05pm in the Copeman Centre, Briston

Present:

Cllr Mrs H Simmons

Chairman Vice Chairman

Cllr N Fippard

Cllr Mrs A Aspinall

Cllr Miss P Whatling

Cllr D Jeary Cllr C Lakey

Cllr T Girling Cllr M Collins

Cllr T Serne

Cllr Mrs J Denton

In attendance Shadow Council Mr S Twiddy Miss R Gilding

Clerk

Mrs J English

Number		Action
2015/21	To consider apologies for absence	
	Cllr Mrs B Nutkins, County Councillor D Ramsbotham, PCSO K Clarke	
2015/22	To record declarations of interest from members in any items on the agenda	
	Cllrs Girling and Collins declared an interest in any items concerned with	
	allotments as their partners were tenants.	
2015/23	To approve the minutes of the meeting of Briston Parish Council held on	
	Monday 2 February 2015	
	Proposed to approve by Cllr Serne, seconded Cllr Collins. Approved	
2015/24	To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation	
	County Councillor	
	District Councillor	
	SNT Representative	
	The meeting adjourned at 7.09pm	
	The meeting reconvened at 7.24pm	
2015/25	To consider and make observations on the following planning applications:	
	Conversion and erection of extension to garage block to provide detached	,
	ancillary annexe accommodation	
	The Acorns, Mill Road, Briston, Melton Constable NR24 2JF	
	No objection	
	Installation of 300kW of ground mounted solar PV array	

The Lawn, Edgefield, Road, Briston, Melton Constable NR24 2HX

No objection

**Erection of 38 dwellings** 

**Bowling Green, Grove Road, Melton Constable NR24 2DE** 

Cllr Mrs Simmons proposed that this development be objected to because there was insufficient capacity in the following services to deal with this rise in population:

Local schools

**Doctors surgery** 

Sewage and drainage

**Parking** 

The proposed development was on contaminated land.

This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Aspinall

**Approved** 

Conversion and alterations to provide additional retail floor space Between 24 and 26 Church Street, Briston, Melton Constable, NR24 2LE Support

Prior notification of intention of change of use of agricultural building to three dwelling houses (C3)

Barn at Boundary Farm, Reepham Road, Briston, Melton Constable, NR24 2JN. Appellant: Mr & Mrs Berwick

Members decided not to add to the original comments.

Erection of part first floor and two-storey side and rear extension 7 Jewel Close, Briston, Melton Constable NR24 2SH – withdrawn

Conversion of barn and artist studio and residential annexe and detached former dog kennel building to hobbies/store room

Frogmoor Farm, Tithe Barn Lane, Briston, Melton Constable NR24 2JD – Withdrawn

Decision Notice: 1 The Loke, Briston, Melton Constable NR24 2JZ – permit Decision Notice: Craymere Beck House, Craymere Beck Road, Thurning, Melton Constable NR24 2LN - consent

## 2015/26

### Clerks Report

#### Mazars

The clerk reported that she had received a letter from Mazars containing a change of address, key contacts and the news that Stephen Christopher had retired. It was requested that the clerk write to Mazars offering the Council's best wishes to Stephen Christopher on his retirement.

Clerk

#### RT Rill

The clerk reported that she had received a paper bill from BT and had arranged for all future bills to be paper. Cllr Mrs Simmons said that she was investigating the cost of £210 call out as she thought that this fault was part of the BT system.

### **Voluntary Norfolk**

The clerk read a letter from Voluntary Norfolk asking for volunteers.

### **Report from Wider Engagement Session**

The clerk gave members a hand out she had received with regard to planning.

The clerk reported on the procedure for the forthcoming parish council elections and stressed that all candidates must give their form in by hand to North Norfolk District Council (NNDC). An appointment should be made so that Electoral Services can check the form to ensure that it is filled in correctly.

**Grounds Maintenance Contract** 

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	The clerk read two letters she had received from Norse with the cost for	Clerk
	2015. Members asked that she check these prices with regard to last year	
	and report back.	
	Dates for Christmas Tree Festival	
	13 and 14 December 2015	
	Report on site meetings held on 19 February	
	In the absence of County Councillor Ramsbotham the clerk reported on the	
	two meetings.	,
	The first meeting was held on the footpath which runs up the back of the	
	recreation ground to the top of Gloucester Place. In attendance: D	
	Ramsbotham, S White (Norfolk County Council (NCC) Highways), T Serne, J	
	English, Mr and Mrs Williamson. This meeting was held in response to	
	concerns from Mr and Mrs Williamson about the use of heavy traffic on this	
	track which incorporated the footpath. Unfortunately NCC Highways were	
	unable to do anything as it appeared no laws or rules were being broken. It	
	was suggested that Mr and Mrs Williamson contacted the Enforcement	
	Officer at NNDC.	
	The second meeting took place on the piece of open ground behind the	
	Chinese Takeaway on the Fakenham Road. In attendance: D Ramsbotham, R	
	Head (Co-op), K Clarke (PCSO), J English, T Serne. This meeting was held in	
	response to concerns about the amount of litter and unsocial behaviour in	
	this area. When the meeting took place the area was free of litter. A local	
	resident joined the meeting and said that this problem was not nearly as bad	
	as it had been. J English asked R Head if the Co-op would sponsor two litter	
	bins in this area. Members requested that the clerk contact County	
	Councillor Ramsbotham about this matter again and enclose photographs.	
	Fair Dates	Clerk
	The clerk read out an email from Jonathan Gray Jr asking if the dates for his	Clerk
	fair to use the village green could be changed to 13-27 April. Unfortunately	
	these dates clash with other activities and it was proposed by Cllr Mrs	
	Denton and seconded by Clir Mrs Simmons that he is asked to come on	
2015/27	some other dates. Approved	
2013/27	To ratify the agreement to give a loan to the Higginbottom Charity and to	
	agree terms and conditions	
	Cllr Mrs Simmons reported that the F&GP Committee had agreed to this loan in principle but the matter had been brought to the Council for full	
	approval.	
	Cllr Mrs Simmons proposed that Briston Parish Council agree to make a loan,	
•	from the Surveyors Trust, of £4,000 to the Higginbottom Charity for work on	
	the Briston Pavilion. This was seconded by Cllr Fippard.	
	Approved (7 for – 3 against)	
	Cllr Fippard proposed that this is an interest free loan, repayable over 5	
	years at £800 per year. This to be paid annually from the interest on the	
	CCLA account. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs Simmons.	
	Approved (7 for – 3 against)	
2015/28	To approve the wayleave agreement between Briston Parish Council and	
	British Telecommunications plc for an additional Green Dslam cabinet on	
	the village green.	ć
	The clerk reported that another cabinet was required as the recently	
	installed new one did not have enough capacity for Broadband	
	requirements. This second cabinet would be sited to the right of the	
	existing, against the fence of the adjoining property. BT would pay the	Clerk
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· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Parish Council £834 for this.	
	Cllr Mrs Simmons proposed that this be agreed and accepted. Seconded by	
	Cllr Girling.  Approved	
2015/29	To approve a request from the clerk to attend an End of year finance	
201923	course for Responsible Financial Officers at a cost of £50.	•
	Cllr Mrs Simmons proposed that the request be approved. Seconded by Cllr	Clerk
	Girling. Approved	CICIK
2015/30	To approve and accept the gift of a Gingko Biloba tree from a parishioner	
201900	to be planted on the village green in memory of Olive Ashwell.	
	Cllr Mrs Denton explained that this tree grew to a height of approximately	
	200 feet. No special care is needed. At present it was about 4 foot high.	
	The Parish Council would need to decide where to site it.	
	Cllr Fippard proposed that in principle this gift be accepted. Seconded by	Clerk
	Cllr Mrs Denton. Approved	
2015/31	To discuss and approve the date of the Annual Parish Meeting	
	Cllr Serne proposed Monday 20 April 2015. Seconded by Cllr Fippard.	
	Approved	
2015/32	To discuss and approve the date of the Annual Parish Council Meeting	
	Monday 11 May 2015	
2015/33	To propose tasks which may be carried out by the Highway Community	
	Rangers when they visit at the end of March	
	Cleaning of reflector posts at Vicarage Corner, gulley on Stone Beck Lane and	Clerk
	mess on the gulley on Hall Street.	
2015/34	To discuss request by Circus Tyanna to use the Village Green for Circus	
	performance for a week in August or September.	
	Agreed as long as Circus Tyanna make good any damage done to the green.	Clerk
2015/35	To discuss increasing the village handyman's hours to 8 per week to cover	
	additional work	
	Cllr Girling proposed that this be carried. Seconded Cllr Jeary.	
	Approved	
2015/36	To discuss road gritting - Cllr Serne	
	Cllr Serne reported that Hall Street was no longer being gritted. Cllr Jeary	Cllr Jeary
	said he would investigate this.	
2015/37	To discuss the proposal to remove the Lollipop Lady from the Fakenham	
	Road – Clir Serne	
	It was not clear whether this was happening so it was agreed to write to	Clerk
	Norfolk County Council for clarification. It was also decided to contact	
	Melton Constable Parish Council to see if they are doing anything.	
2015/38	To receive a report from the Allotment Committee meeting held on	
	Monday 16 February 2015	
	Minutes to be tabled	
	Cllr Girling reported that it had been decided to amalgamate the 'best kept	
	allotment' competition into one to cover all three sites and award a first and	
•	second prize.  There was one tenant on each of the three sites who had not paid their rent	
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	and the clerk would be contacting them shortly.  There was one vacant plot on the Plantation Hill estate and Cllr Girling would	
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	be looking at the site with a view to turning the rest into allotments.	
2	Clir Girling and Clir Lakey are sorting out the water tank on the Plantation	
204-55	Hill allotments.  To receive a report from the Finance & General Purpose Committee	
2015/39	to receive a report from the rinance & deneral rulpose committee	L



#### meeting held on Monday 16 February 2015 Minutes to be tabled Cllr Fippard reported that a proposal to provide a name board and flags for the Wellington Road memorial had been approved. The clerk reported that BT wished to put another Dslam cabinet on the village green and would pay the Parish Council £834. It was agreed that this item would go on the next Parish Council agenda but no problem with this request was foreseen. 2015/40 To receive a report from the Copeman Committee Cllr Fippard reported that the boiler will be serviced and members will then have a teach-in to learn about the controls etc. New vinyl flooring has been bought for the long hall so that it can be used by dancers. A new vacuum cleaner has been purchased A discussion took place about events taking place in the Briston Pavilion and how not to duplicate them with the Copeman Centre. 2015/41 To discuss and approve the financial statement for February and the payments for March Cllr Denton proposed that these be approved. Seconded by Cllr Fippard **Approved Financial Statement** Date Description Money Money Balance £ in £ out £ 02/03/15 407.80 Mrs J English - salary 7,223.36 02/03/15 Mr R Twiddy – salary 207.07 7,631.16 02/03/15 7,838.23 E.on 29.00 02/03/15 Chq 101788 - Mrs 12.98 7,867.23 English repay 19/02/15 Chq 101791 - Fire 90.36 7,880.21 extinguisher 18/02/15 **Npower** 114.37 7.970.57 18/02/15 35.00 8,084.94 Chq 101790 - Date Protection renewal 17/02/15 Chq 101789 - TT Jones 162.06 8,119.94 1,670.40 8,282.00 17/02/15 Chq 101787 - Deposit Play equipment 9,952.40 16.00 16/02/15 **Anglian Water** 42 Cromer – Allotment 9,968.40 12/02/15 119.00 rents and sale of computer 175.72 9,849.40 12/02/15 E.on 16.33 10,025.12 PNET1186139-2 06/02/15 29.00 10,041.45 02/02/15 E.on 107.95 10,070.45 Chq 101785 Christmas 02/02/15 Lights **Payments**



8.59

J English – repayment: gate closer (Blyth & Wright)

	wall planner (Ryman)			
	Viking – stationery	118.40		
	Higginbottom Community Centre – Parish office	165.00		
	rent – 1 January to 31 March 2105			
	Plus Net DD Broadband provision	16.33		
	E-on DD Street Lighting	175.72		
	Mrs J English SO – salary	407.80		
	Mr R Twiddy SO – salary	207.07		
	Total	£1,098.91	-	
2015/42	To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation			
	The meeting adjourned at 8.48pm			
	The meeting reconvened at 8.50pm			
2015/43	To discuss any other business			
	Cllr Fippard reported at the SNAP meeting he had attended the current SNP			
	priorities were rural crime, ABS engagement with youth and oil thefts. New			
	priorities would include burglary other than dwellings, burglary from farms			
	and speeding. There were 17 incidents of assault in Briston during			
	December.			
	There was a complaint from a Briston resident about a street light failure			
	along Plumbs Close. The clerk replied that this belonged to Victory Housing.			
	She had already contacted them as had Norfolk County Council.			
	Cllr Collins reported that there was a complaint from one of his neighbours			
	about bins being left blocking the pavements after they had been emptied.		Clerk	
	The clerk to write to NNDC about this.			
2015/44	To receive items for the next agenda			
	None			
	The meeting closed at 8.56pm			

Signed: Helle Simple.

Dated: 13 | 04 | 2015

# Public Forum Minute 2015/24 refers

Apologies were received from County Councillor D Ramsbotham

District Councillor John Wyatt reported that at the full council meeting held last week it was agreed that the council tax would remain the same as last year. Small recycling centres in the district will be closing for three days a week. He has received complaints about lorries going through West End from the gravel pit at Stody. He has complained to NCC Highways. Cllr Lakey will raise this at the next forum meeting with Stody.

PCSO K Clarke sent his apologies and the clerk read out the following report:

For the period of 2 February to 2 March we have received 11 calls to police which break down into the following categories:

- 1 highway disruption
- 1 road traffic collision
- 1 concern for safety
- 2 reports of lost property
- 1 report of sus vehicle
- 1 road related offence
- 1 vehicle theft.

5 crimes have been recorded for Briston

- 3 theft
- 1 criminal damage
- 1 assault

Mr Eggleton reported that the memorial garden off The Lane was very untidy and overgrown. The clerk reported that she had written to the Congregational Church about this and had got a reply from Mrs Woodruff saying that she was attempting to clear the garden. The clerk had offered to help but had received no reply. As this garden belongs to the Congregational Church there is nothing further she can do.

In response to a query from Mr Eggleton about potholes in The Lane the clerk replied that she had reported these to Norfolk County Council.

Mr Eggleton reported that there were a lot of mole hills on the open space on the Plantation Hill Estate. The clerk said that she will contact a mole catcher about these.

# Public Forum Minute 2015/42 refers

Mr Mussellwhite reported on the activities of the Speedwatch Team. So far, on their weekly activity they had only found motorists speeding on the Holt Road. Several members of the public had approached him and said how much they appreciated the work of the Speedwatch Team.