

**BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
CHAIRMAN: Alan Mellor

Minutes of the **Greens & Footpaths Committee** held in the Community Centre, High Street,  
Brampton on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm.**

**Present:** Nigel Maggs, Chair (NM), Mike Bainbridge (JMB), Jon Chitty (JC), Natasha Pope (NP), Sue Clarke (SC).

**In attendance:** Paula Moore, Assistant Clerk

**1. Apologies**

None

**2. Declarations of Interests**

None

**3. To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2023.**

JMB proposed that the minutes be accepted as being a true record of the meeting, this was seconded by NP and agreed by all those present at the meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June. NM signed the minutes.

**4. Action List Arising from those minutes.**

- 4.1** 4.2 4.4. NM is still to follow up on this agenda point and speak to Ken Billington regarding the progress of suggested new footpath from Centenary Way leading to the new footpath.

**5. Street Lighting.**

- 5.1 To consider adding PC1 on Green Lane to the Parish Council's inventory as the County Council is denying responsibility for the lamp. This was discussed and JMB proposed, seconded by JC to add the lamp to the Parish Council's inventory. The Parish Council's street light contractor will be asked to repair the lamp.

**6. Greens and Footpaths**

- 6.1 Ongoing – common land at 32 Buckden Road. NM requested that this point remained on the agenda for the next meeting, there has been no response from the resident at 32 in reply to the email that the Clerk sent informing them that the Parish Council are unable to spend anymore money on this relating to the solicitors.
- 6.2 To consider the quote to replace the notice on Village Green. It was agreed that John Childs should be contacted and confirm the status of the request.
- 6.3 The Royal British Legion are requesting permission to hold a classic car show on the Village Green in the summer of 2024, if approved date to be confirmed. Concerns were raised by JMB and JC regarding the impact on the ground and potential of leaking oil. Providing provisions

were made to accommodate these concerns it was agreed that this would be a good event for the village. Dates to be confirmed.

- 6.4 It has been reported that the hedge at Keepers Cottage has not yet been cut back. A letter was sent to the residents in August asking for this to be done. NM and NP confirmed that the work had been carried out.
- 6.5 Cutting back of undergrowth on corner of Park Lane near the thatched cottage. NM advised the committee that he would approach Liz Ruston to see if she is happy to undertake the work.
- 6.6 General
  - 6.6.1 NM requested that the Clerk contact Bellway with reference to when the proposed footbridge at the end of Dorling Way will be completed.
  - 6.6.2 NM has liaised with Ken Billington about the possibility of there being a new footpath from leading from Centenary Way to the fishing lakes. Ken indicated more signage could be put up.
  - 6.6.3 NM will discuss with Ken Billington the progress regarding a phased speed limit being put in place.
  - 6.6.4 NM asked for the Clerk to investigate the plans for smartening up the shop frontages.
  - 6.6.5 An update on the King Charles Walkway sign was requested by NM, the Clerk is to contact John Childs.

## **7. PRowS**

- 7.1 General
  - 7.1.1 NP proposed that dogs should be kept on leads whilst on the Playing field there are uncontrollable dogs on the field at the same time as small children. Natasha suggested that perhaps a piece of land could be found in the village for the purpose of walking dogs off lead.

## **8. Bus Shelters, Village Benches, Litter Bins**

- 8.1 Additional litter bins/benches required (if any). A new bin is required at Bromholme Lane following the removal of the original bin after it was damaged by fly tippers.  
Agreement was made by the committee that this bin needs to be replaced.
- 8.1.1 JMB raised the issue of the bench outside the Co-op in the High Street, as a request had been received to remove this as it tends to be a meeting place for a number of young people, which is disconcerting following a number of unpleasant instances occurring at the Co-op there. JMB said that the bench should not be removed as it is an aid to the elderly, infirm and mothers with smaller children. The committee agreed that the security and staff of the Co-op are not the responsibility of the Parish Council. JMB proposed and NP seconded that no action would be taken.
- 8.2 Bus shelters - general  
NM requested an update on the bus shelter on Miller Way after it was hit by a bus. It was also said that the bus shelters in general appear unkept. He requested that the grounds staff are asked to ascertain what work needs to be carried out to tidy the shelters.

## **9. Trees/Hedges, Verges**

- 9.1 General

9.2 NP reported that the hedge from the Old Rectory has encroached on the pathway, (Glebe Roadside), the committee agreed for a letter to be sent to the property asking for them to cut this back.

The ground staff are to carry out the required work for the area that the Parish Council are responsible for. It was requested that Bramshed are approached to repair the gate.

**10. Next Agenda Items/Next Meeting**

Nothing currently

**The meeting finished at 7.45pm**

Signed:

Date:

Chair: