



**Minutes of the Meeting of Bramley Parish Council
Held at Bramley Village Hall on 16 February, starting at 6:00 pm**

PARTICIPANTS

Councillors P Leung, T Coleman, R Seaborne, P Molineux, M Byham, B Stern, F Stern and A Burrows. The Clerk and Assistant Clerk were also present as well as County Councillor Deanus and Borough Councillor d'Arcy. There was 1 member of the public in attendance.

011/23 To receive apologies for absences

- a. Apologies for the absence were received from Cllrs P Molineux, A Burrows, and T Hughes

012/23 Declarations of interest

- a. None.

013/23 Minutes of the meeting 19 January 2023

- a. The minutes of the meeting of 19 January 2023 were agreed upon by the meeting as a true record. These were signed by the Chairman.

014/23 Matters arising from minutes of the meeting of 19 January 2023

- a. Cllr F Stern noted that there was a spelling error; Linersh Wood was spelt with 'nn' on page 3, 07/23 ii.
The minutes of the meeting of 19 January 2023 was then agreed upon by the meeting as a true record. These were signed by the Chairman.

015/23 Correspondence

- a. Members noted the Correspondence report circulated by the Clerk.
- b. Cllr F Stern noted that the smell is still very bad at the Jolly Farmer's and the owner must have a fan on to get rid of the worst smell. The clerk mentioned that there was an Instagram update from Jeremy Hunt which stated that it was not the Co-op filling station that had petrol spills. Cllr Seaborne indicated that it is critical to identify the origin of the smell and he will continue to chase Waverley's Environmental Health team to identify the root cause. Cllr Leung noted that the smell is very bad in the early mornings when he walks back home from work or when he opens a window at home. The Cllrs discussed the possibility of fly-tippers getting rid of their waste in the stream.
- c. Cllr F Stern asked if the Bonfire area has been cleared yet. The clerk responded to say an email was sent stating that the issue will be dealt with in one week. Cllr Stern volunteered to have a look at the area and notify the clerk; the clerk will then meet the bonfire Chairman if the issue has not been resolved.
- d. Councillor Seaborne advised that Reverend Graham Smith, who lives in Birtley Rise, had just reported *traffic near miss* to borough and county councillors. A vehicle turning left out of Birtley Rise onto Birtley Road had nearly been hit by a car that was overtaking in the 30mph stretch of Birtley Rd to the south of Bramley Infant School. Rev Smith was requesting that Surrey Highways take action to repair the fallen right turn sign currently tilted towards the garden of Wisteria, between Birtley Road and the Downs Link. Rev Smith had reported this defect on several occasions, as had Cllr Seaborne. Cllr Seaborne asked Cllr Kevin Deanus to look out for this request and try and get it some priority with Surrey Highways.

ACTION

Cllr
Seaborne

Cllr Stern

Cllr Kevin
Deanus



016/23 Waverley and Surrey County Councillors update

- a. Waverley Cllr d'Arcy indicated that there will be a full council meeting next week to discuss the annual budget and a proposal to update the Waverley Local Plan Part 1, which will be very costly.
- b. Cllr Deanus reported that 12000 potholes have been reported over Surrey and that there is a 12-month waiting list to get it sorted.
- c. Cllr Deanus reported that Surrey CC has 28 crews working on maintaining the roads and some of the crews work at night and over weekends.
- d. Cllr Deanus reported that £188 Million has been allocated to the SCC budget to contribute to maintaining the highways of Surrey. £50 Million has been allocated to the budget for SEN provision in schools.
- e. Cllr Deanus reported on the factors affecting the flexibility in setting speed limits, SCC is working on changing the policy. The police will not enforce the policy at this stage.

017/23 Committee Actions

- a. Planning Review Committee
 - i. The list of the current planning applications and draft comments from Cllr Molineux were reviewed by Members. They were all happy with it, with no objections. The Clerk will submit Members' comments to Waverley Borough Council.
 - ii. Review of the Planning report
Members noted the Planning report circulated by Cllr Molineux.
Cllr Seaborne reported that there were still 50 applications awaiting approval. He had looked at the list and chose to deal with the ones that were older than three months. He had chased Waverley who had to get six done during the previous week.
- b. Library Committee
 - i. A report from the Library Operations team was received by the Clerk. This was noted by Members.
 - ii. Since circulating the report, the Clerk has been asked by the Operations team to add Anne Barclay, as she is re-joining the Ops team.
- c. Village Hall Management Committee
 - i. Cllr Coleman reported that there weren't any updates on the Village Hall.
 - ii Mrs. Ersser reported that maintenance/remedial work was done in the Village Hall this week.
- d. Resilience Committee
 - i. The Bramley Parish Council Risk Assessment and Resilience group terms of reference were circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting for approval. Both documents were formally adopted at the meeting.
- e. Highways Committee
 - i. Cllr Stern reported that in Linersh Wood, the residents have stickers on their wheelie bins reading "20 is plenty". It was asked if Bramley Parish would support the county-wide campaign in support of "20's plenty". Members were not prepared to support the initiative. Cllr Stern participating in a cross-parish initiative (Shalford, Albury, St Martha's, Bramley, Wonersh & Shamley Green) which is promoting "20s plenty" i.e., they would like to persuade Surrey County Council to

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implement 20mph speed limits in certain residential roads and at particular locations e.g. outside schools, on dangerous bends. The "20s plenty" campaign is nationwide and is not supported by Surrey County Council. At the cross-parish meeting last Wednesday, one of the attendees said that putting 20s plenty stickers on the wheelie bins had resulted in improved awareness and so I suggested this for Linersh Wood (as they have been asking for the speed limit to be lowered) but Tom Hughes and Richard Seaborne said this had already been tried.

Three of the five parishes have passed a motion to support the 20s plenty campaign but Bramley Parish councillors attending our meeting on Thursday did not support such a motion. My action is to confirm that the absent councillors also agree with this.

018/23 Parish updates and actions

- a. Pavilion and environs (including Gosden Common, Links Road)
 - i. The Assistant clerk reported that she had received the CCTV report on the drains at the Pavilion and a quote of £13,800 to carry out the repairs. Cllr Stern stated that the Pavilion does not have the funds to carry out this work. It was agreed that the matter would be discussed at the Pavilion AGM on 22nd February and Cllr Stern would report back to the Councillors at the March meeting.

- b. Station Road and environs (including Hall Road, Eastwood Road and Barton Road, Linersh Wood).
 - i. Cllr Seaborne reported that the van that was left for 3 months in the car park, has now finally been towed away. SCC is currently trying to locate the owner.
- c. High Street and environs (including Windrush Close, Old Rectory Close, Snowdenham Links Road and Lane)
 - i. Nothing to report.
- d. Grounds and Downs Link
 - i. Cllr F Stern reported that the dog waste bag dispenser on the Downs Link near Birtley Rise is on the ground. Cllr Leung offered to fix it to the tree again. He noted on Friday, 17 February, the dispenser was tagged with spray paint and the back plate is bent, he is going to try and clean it and straighten the back plate. The clerk offered to look for the key to open the dispenser.
- e. Rural Parish (including Thorncombe Street, Birtley Green, Grafham and south)
 - i. Nothing to report.

Cllr Stern

Cllr
Leung/The
clerk

019/23 Finance

Payments listed in Appendix B (circulated)

Members agreed on payments between 16th January and 8th February 2023, to the value of £4569.98. The listing was signed by the Chairman and returned to the Clerk.

020/22 Points of information and any other matters

- a. Nothing was discussed.

Public Session

Joe O'Connell asked that the Parish Council consider renovating the 1977 Silver Jubilee sign located near Rhens Place that has fallen into disrepair.



The request was not supported since the Parish does not have the funds for it. It was suggested that either the Fete committee be asked or that funds can be raised to repair the carving.

The meeting closed at 18:50

Agreed and signed Chairman, _____ March 2023