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Minutes of the Business Meeting of Bradwell Parish Council held on Monday 7th September 2015 at 7:30 pm at Summerfield School, Downley Avenue, Bradwell Common, Milton Keynes

Members present:

Councillor James Alexander (Chairman)
Councillor Marie Bradburn
Councillor Robin Bradburn
Councillor Leon Gilpin
Councillor Rex Exon
Councillor John Newbury
Councillor Fredua Asare

Also attended: Harold Atkins, parish clerk/RFO; June Bryant, administrative assistant and Mr Clive Carter, chair & secretary of Old Bradwell Football Club.

1 Apologies for absence, None

2 Disclosures of Interest

Councillors Marie Bradburn and Robin Bradburn both declared personal and prejudicial financial interests in item 8 (the Suffolk Punch site) as Marie Bradburn is a trustee and employee of Sieve MK Gateway, which is an applicant wishing to buy the site, and Robin Bradburn is her spouse.

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3 Minutes

The minutes of the business meeting held on 27th July 2015 were approved by all members present. They were signed by the chairman as a true record.

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27th July 2015 as amended.

4 Chairman's Announcements

- a) With sadness, the chairman announced that the mother of Audrey Grimmett, the Council's caretaker of Heelands Meeting Place, had died. The Chairman would write a letter of sympathy. This led to some discussion about emergency cover when the caretaker was unable to fulfil her duties and it was recommended to contact an agency over this.
- b) The latest newsletter had been delivered in Bradwell, with the rest of the parish to follow.
- c) MK Play Association is prepared to loan play equipment with a bouncy castle for the 19 September Beacon Party, but it will have to be collected and attended throughout for which volunteers are required. Cllr Marie Bradburn volunteers to look after the equipment and hoped to recruit others to help.

5 Public Open Forum. No members of the public attended.

6 Police and Crime Report. Not given as a PCSO was unable to attend.

7 Grant Presentation from Old Bradwell Football Club

Mr Clive Carter, chair and secretary of Old Bradwell United FC gave a presentation in support of their grant request for £800.00 for new goal posts. The club's present posts are no longer serviceable and it is seeking new posts which conform to current health and safety regulations. The total cost is £816 and the club has negligible funds. In addition to this club, three youth teams also play at Abbey Road and would use the posts. The total number of users living in Bradwell Parish amounts to 50 – 60. The posts would not be for general public use, only for authentic teams, and would be secured down when not in use by the authorised clubs.

Clive Carter then requested an additional key for the storage Barn. This is a secure key only obtainable from one regulated supplier. The Council had authorised Mr Bernard Dolan to use the tractor for pitch rolling and he needed an additional key. In view of this councillors authorised that an additional key be obtained from Brinnick Locks, Newport Pagnell.

8 Update on the position of the Suffolk Punch Site, Heelands, and consideration of planning application reference 15/01914/FUL to demolish the Suffolk Punch and clear the site including the car park and associated works.

MK Council's Development Control Committee is due to meet on 2nd October to consider the above planning application to demolish the former Suffolk Punch public house. To date, there are 15 objections and MK Council's Countryside Officer has advised that as the building is becoming derelict, bats may have accessed the roof and the unkempt grounds may be wildlife habitats, so the developer would need to commission an ecologist to carry out an Extended Phase One Survey. The Chief Executive of the Parks Trust replied to our letter on 13 August giving no intimation that this planning application had yet been submitted, although it had, in fact, been submitted on 31 July. The application does not specify what the developer intends to build on the site after clearance, but it is understood to be 25 dwellings. A public meeting has been arranged at St Augustine's Church on Saturday 12th September at 11:30 which will be chaired by Cllr James Alexander. The developer and the Parks Trust have declined invitations to attend. It was proposed by Cllr Alexander and seconded by Cllr Leon Gilpin that the Parish Council objects to the planning application on the grounds of disappointment at the application because the Parish Council had successfully applied for the building to be listed as a community asset, it believes that there is need for such an asset and that the developer needed to prove that there is no need for it, and has failed to do so. Should the Development Control Committee agree to the demolition, to request they add a rider that the site is of community value and must be preserved as such. Four members voted in favour with one abstention. Cllrs Marie and Robin Bradburn took no part in the motion or vote due to their declarations of interest.

RESOLVED: To object to planning application ref. 15/01914/FUL on the grounds listed above.

9 Parking Problems outside Bellfounder House, Bradwell, and the future of the Council's application to the Community Parking Partnership Scheme 2015-16.

Cllrs Marie and Robin Bradburn attended a lively meeting at Bellfounder House when residents mainly opposed the Council's application for parking places under the 2015/16 Community Parking Scheme. It was acknowledged that there were serious parking issues in the area of the school, but Bellfounder residents felt they would not be relieved by this plan. The councillors recommended withdrawal of the application, but would seek meeting with the schools, including the possibility of starting a scheme such as a "walking bus" to accompany children to the schools avoiding the use of cars. This could be included in a future newsletter. Cllr Rex Exon proposed withdrawing the application to the Community Parking Fund. This was seconded by Cllr Marie Bradburn and passed by 6 in favour with one abstention.

RESOLVED: To withdraw the Council's application to the 2015/16 Community Parking Scheme for more parking bays in front of Bellfounder House, Bradwell.

10 Heelands Sports Grounds Southern Field

Several members had attended the meeting held by Milton Keynes Council on 5th August 2015 on the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) of Heelands Sports Ground north and south fields. The clerk had heard nothing more from Heelands Rangers Football Club about the north field since the meeting. Members agreed to apply for Stage One of the CAT Transfer of Heelands Sports Grounds South Field.

RESOLVED: To apply for Stage One of the Community Asset Transfer of Heelands Sports Grounds South Field.

11 Vacancies on the Parish Council

The clerk reported that only one application had been received to date, this was from Ms Jennifer Jones of Heelands, although it appeared she would prefer to stand for Heelands rather than Bradwell or Bradwell Common where the vacancies have arisen. The clerk would thank Ms Jones for her application and await any further applications when the newsletter had been distributed.

12 Updating the Parish Council Website

Vision ICT, who originally designed and currently manage the Council's website have advised that the site is technically out of date being over nine years old. June Bryant reported that it was difficult to update and she had obtained a quotation from Vision ICT to establish a new website for £400. The chairman felt that a special meeting should be called to discuss this in detail and it was agreed to hold the meeting on Saturday 14 November at the Parish Office.

13 Clerk's Report and Any Actions to be Taken on the Matters Raised

- a) No new information about the upgrade of Bradwell Common Local Park play area including WREN application.
- b) MK Council's understanding response to this Council's refusal to take over all the play area in the parish, but still to request the CAT transfer of land between Coleshill and Mayditch Places in Bradwell Common.
- c) MK Council Public Notice of road closures. This includes the closure of Arncliffe Drive between its junction of East Dales and Gisburn Close on Tuesday 15th September. Access to properties will be maintained.
- d) MK Council – Consultation with parishes on the methodology for allocating the parish funding which partially offsets the impact of the Local Council Tax Reduction scheme. Members preferred Option 2, continuing similar to the present arrangements.
- e) "A Big Thank You" from MK Council's Recycling Department over pink sack distribution.
- f) MK Council – Recycling Posters and Leaflets. A copy of the leaflet will be distributed to members at the meeting.
- g) MK Council – Consultation on Draft Parking Standards Supplementary Planning Document between 12.08.2015 and 07.10.2015. The clerk was asked to forward this electronically.
- h) Solicitor – response to Bradwell Sports & Social queries on the new leases, which are held up pending replies and drawings.
- i) Traffic and transport arrangements for the Rugby World Cup. Please visit **lovemkrugby.co.uk** and if you are heading to a match **rugbyworldcup.com/travel**.
- j) Completion of Register of Members' Interests forms.
- k) Network Rail – Consultation on the East West Rail Link Phase 2.

List of Meetings Notified

- l) Preventing Terrorism – Community Awareness Safeguarding Event on Tuesday 8th September at The Ridgway Centre, Featherstone Rd, Wolverton, starting at 18:00.
- m) Notification of the Launch of "Our MK" online platform to bring together MK citizens to share, discuss and develop innovative, technology-centred ideas that will make a positive impact on local communities – Cheese & Wine Event on 23rd September for which people can register on www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/our-mk-cheese-wine-evening-registration-18000363572
- n) Age UK AGM on Thursday 24th September at 5:30pm at the Peartree Centre, 1 Chadds Lane, Peartree Bridge, MK6 2EB.
- o) Annual Meeting of the Citizens Advice Bureau Tues. 29th September at the Margaret Powell Suite, 4th Floor 401-447 Midsummer Boulevard, CMK.

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- p) Western Expansion Area Public Exhibition on Thurs. 8th October at Kiln Farm Club in the afternoon and early evening.

FINANCE

14 To consider the grant application from Old Bradwell Football Club (see item 7 above)

After discussion, Cllr Rex Exon proposed that the Council award the full grant requested of £800.00. This was seconded by Cllr Marie Bradburn and agreed by all members present.

RESOLVED: To award a grant of £800.00 to Old Bradwell Football Club for the purchase of new goalposts.

15 External Audit of the 2014/2015 Accounts

The clerk/RFO advised that Mazars, the external auditors, had passed the Council's 2014/15 accounts at Intermediate Audit, with a clean sheet.

The chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the clerk/RFO which was agreed by all present.

16 Accounts Passed for Payment

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ENVIRONMENTAL & COMMUNITY MATTERS

17 Planning Applications

17.1. New Planning Applications (in addition to 15/01914/FUL covered in item 8)

- a) Ref. 15/01715/FUL – Ground floor rear extension, 46 Mitcham Place, Bradwell Common.
- b) Ref. 15/01954/ADV – Advertisement consent to display four non-illuminated signs at North Saxon roundabout (roundabout sponsorship)
- c) Ref. 15/01950/ADV – Advertisement consent to display four non-illuminated signs at Stantonbury Roundabout (roundabout sponsorship).
- d) Ref. 15/02169/ADV – Advertisement consent to display four non-illuminated signs at North Witan roundabout (roundabout sponsorship)

17.2. Planning application granted – notification only, not for discussion.

Ref. 15/01478/ADV – Advertisement consent for 9 fascia signs at unit F Central Retail Park, Patriot Drive, Rooksley.

Ref. 14/02328/FUL – Single storey side and rear extension and the erection of a new one and a half storey double garage at 9 Maidenhead Avenue, Bradwell Common.

Ref. 15/01466/FUL – Single storey side and rear extension at 1 Audley Mead, Bradwell

Ref. 15/01479/FUL – Installation of mezzanine floor at Pets at Home, Patriot Drive, Rooksley.

Ref. 15/01665/FUL – Part two storey and part single storey front extensions at 44 Craddocks Close, Bradwell.

18 Environmental and Community Matters

It was reported that attendance at the summer play sessions had mainly been good.

The business having been completed the chairman closed the meeting at 9.47pm.

Signed.....Chairman.

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List of accounts passed on next sheet

Bradwell Parish Council Account			
List of Accounts presented for payment on			07 September 2015 (+ August direct debits reported)
<i>Type of payment</i>	<i>Value £</i>	<i>To whom paid</i>	<i>Reason for payment</i>
Cheque 003401	0.00	Cheque cancelled	"TENS" Licence for Beacon Party paid to chairman by petty cash
Cheque 003402	2,000.00	Milton Keynes Council	Play Area Improvement Fund 2014/15 (half cost Dippy the Dolphin)
Cheque 003403	465.60	Peter Stamp	Groundsman's remuneration for 2 months, July and August
Cheque 003404	113.04	Peter Baldwin	Asst groundsman's pay for August work
Cheque 003405	0.00	Cheque cancelled	Cheque destroyed in post to payee. New cheque 003419 issued.
Cheque 003406	720.00	Mazars	External audit of 2014/15 accounts.
Cheque 003407	532.68	A H Contracts	Emptying dog and litter bins in July.
Cheque 003408	346.80	Hornetsoft IT Consultants	Setting up new computers etc. Servicing and supply of software
Cheque 003409	1,075.00	Bespoke Media	Printing newsletter
Cheque 003410	494.64	Churches Fire Security	Annual service & repairs to fire fighting equipt Meeting Place & Office
Cheque 003411	168.00	Getpapping plc	Online parish mapping service
Cheque 003412	67.20	D&I Window Cleaning	Window cleaning
Cheque 003413	818.64	HMRC	Income tax & National Insurance
Cheque 003414	396.50	DA Garden Services	Landscaping contracts
Cheque 003415	240.00	PJ Leaflets (J. Clunie)	Delivering newsletters
Cheque 003416	234.43	N power Ltd	Electricity supply, Heelands Meeting Place
Cheque 003419	4,193.84	MK Play Association	Play session held in August and September (replacement cheque)
Cheque 003420	300.00	Michael Squire	Music for Bradwell Beacon Party
Direct Debit	120.98	Biffa	Refuse skip / refuse collection, Heelands MP (August payment)
Direct Debit	101.71	Biffa	Refuse skip / refuse collection, Heelands MP (Sept payment)
Direct Debit	12.35	British Gas	Revised August bill, new contract
Direct Debit	85.59	British Telecom	Office telecommunication, August bill
Direct Debit	15.28	E-on	Activity area lighting (August payment)
Direct Debit	16.43	E-on	Activity area lighting (September payment)
Direct Debit	39.65	SBG (CNG Ltd.)	Parish Office gas bill for August
Amount deducted	20.33	Lloyds Bank	Bank charges claimed in August.
Telepay YYE350	2,493.09	Staff remuneration	H. Atkins, J Bryant and A Grimmett remuneration for Sept
King George's Field, Bradwell, account			
Cheque 000078	195.00	DA Garden Services	Work at Abbey Field

Signed.....Chairman.

Date2015