

MINUTES OF THE BROMPTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT BROMPTON REGIS VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2024

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

465. PRESENT: Mr J Andrews, Mr D Cherry, Miss L Luxton.

Also present: Cllr Nicholson, Cllr Pugsley (from 745pm) and Sarah Buchanan (Clerk).

466. APOLOGIES

Mr M. Arnold, Mr S Coates (Vice Chairman), Ms T Davies, Mr M Headley (Chairman), Mr L Ringrose (work or family commitments).

467. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND MEETING MANAGEMENT

In the absence of the Chairman it was AGREED that Mr Andrews take the chair for the meeting.

468. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

469. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5th AUGUST 2024 AS CIRCULATED

Mr Cherry proposed and Ms Luxton seconded a motion that with amendments of typing errors (day, officer, meeting reference) the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed as a correct and accurate record. This was unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman of the meeting signed the minutes as such.

470. ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

470.1 BRPC nomination of the George Inn as an asset of community value (minute 461). The Clerk advised that this had been actioned and its receipt confirmed.

471. SOMERSET COUNCILLORS' UPDATES

Cllr Nicholson advised that the Boundary Commission is to review the number of councillors for the Somerset Council. Any changes will be subject to consultation. And the timetable for implementation is to agree actions in 2025 for implementation in 2027.

Cllr Pugsley referred to minute 460.1 and it was noted that the ENPA Standing Orders would apply in the event that the BRPC response and ENPA Officers' positions were not opposed. The meeting agreed that this would be appropriate.

Cllrs Nicholson and Pugsley have been informed of the BRPC nomination of an asset of community value (minute 461).

Cllr Pugsley referred to the forthcoming meeting of the LCN and potential for discussion there and in its sub group of the implications of the day rates provided for devolved highways works.

472. PLANNING

472.1 Applications 6/3/24/005 and 6/3/24/006LB: Proposed removal of rear conservatory and veranda and construction of rear extension and minor internal reordering to dwelling at Shircombe Farm, Brompton Regis and listed building consent for the proposal.

The meeting discussed the applications and noted that BRPC does not generally comment on applications for listed building consent because these require technical knowledge and skill not held by the Council.

The proposed works were considered and it was noted that the external works would be at the rear of the building, have minimal if any impact on other properties and, with internal reordering, would use space effectively. On those grounds Mr Cherry proposed, Ms Luxton seconded and the meeting **AGREED** to support the application.

ACTION: CLERK.

472.2 GDO application 16/24: prior notification for the proposed creation of agricultural/forestry track, Lyncome Farm, Brompton Regis.

The meeting noted that GDO applications are rarely commented on by BRPC and it was **AGREED** that in this instance no comment be made.

473. REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Members were asked to update their registers and advise the Clerk of changes.

ACTION PARISH COUNCILLORS

474. FINANCE

474.1 Budget update having been previously circulated: This was considered and it was noted that the position is as would be expected at this point in the year. Actions were **AGREED** to put in place defibrillator training and Lock Up works.

ACTION CLERK

474.2 Auditors' notification of exempt status: this was noted.

474.3 SALC Subscription £130.82. Ms Luxton proposed and Mr Cherry seconded payment of this invoice and this was **AGREED.**

ACTION CLERK

474.4 Clerk's quarterly salary: £400. Mr Cherry proposed and Ms Luxton seconded payment and this was **AGREED.**

475. HIGHWAYS

Cllr Pugsley advised that some parishes on Exmoor have expressed concern at apparent dumping of road sweeping waste and invited BRPC to report any such matters.

Mr Cherry and Ms Luxton noted that the verges near Louisa Gate need ploughing out. The meeting noted that there are other verges in the parish where the road has been narrowed by verges encroaching on the highway.

ACTION CLERK to report.

The Clerk advised that the Highways Authority winter maintenance meeting will take place on 5th September. She has checked all bins and bag sites in the parish and will report to the meeting.

476. DATE TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING: 7.30pm on Wednesday 2nd October 2024 at Brompton Regis village hall.

The meeting closed at 815pm

Signed as a correct record:

Name: Date: