

SOUTH BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Land and Estates Committee held on Monday 8th November 2021 at 7.30pm at South Brent Village Hall.

Open Forum: nothing was raised.

LE 1-11-21 Election of Vice Chairman of the Land and Estates committee.

Cllr Pannell volunteered, seconded by Cllr Cruz. Carried unanimously.

LE 2-11-21 Record of members present.

Cllr Peter Kelly in the Chair, Cllrs' Lisette Granados, Jill Cruz, Cathie Pannell, Lucy Bruckner clerk to the Council and one member of the public were present.

LE 3-11-21 Apologies for absence

Cllr Hancock. Note Cllr O'Connor was not in attendance.

LE 4-11-21 Declarations of interest (and nature) with regard to items on the agenda

None.

LE 5-11-21 Consider the granting of dispensations

None.

LE 6-11-21 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

Monthly report of the Recreation ground to be a monthly agenda item at Full Council.

LE 07-11-21 Confirmation of minutes of the last meeting and report any matters arising – for information only

Cllr Granados – six trees are to be replaced in Station Yard, Brian Beesley recommends a new avenue of trees on the access road. Add to Full Council for discussion on siting and type.

LE 08-11-21 Update on the following:

A: Station Yard: Cllr Cruz – drain on the road by Station Yard car park entrance is flooding. Clerk to contact John Widdicombe to clear.

B: Vicarage Road Allotment Field: The clerk is awaiting more information from the Chair of the VRAA regarding the current use of the allotments.

C: Grounds maintenance: Clerk to contact John Widdicombe for clarification of work completed on October invoice. Cllr Pannell has seen the South Hams DC sweeper working in the village. Weeds have been cleared outside St Petrocs Church but it is not known who did this.

D: Railway wood: Clerk to contact SSB and ask for an update on their management of the woods.

E: Play area at Sanderspool: This area has been used by DCC for training purposes, the clerk is hopeful to receive the report. 4B's were going to put a sign up regarding what people might want at the Play park, they have a meeting tomorrow evening which Cllr Kelly will attend and be able to report on. Toilet block is cleaned generally late afternoon, Cllr Kelly is continuing to lock up and Cllr O'Connor unlocks in the morning.

F: Bus shelters. Nothing to report. Probably will require painting in the Spring. Cllr Kelly keeps them tidy. Clerk to ask if the bus shelters could be cleaned out of rubbish, dust and cobwebs weekly by the same cleaning group who attend the toilet block.

G: Stockbridge Lane Toilets. Always clean. Door has not been repaired, Cllr Kelly will let the clerk know if anything needs to be done.

H: Toll House – To include the clock: Piece of ironwork over the door is rusty and needs painting. Three standard and two wall Victorian style lights owned by County are looking very tatty.

Cllr Granados – it would be useful if groups associated with the PC in some way send their minutes to the clerk for report to Cllrs.

LE 09-11-21 To discuss and agree the purchase of a new picnic bench for the play park. Wait until the work in the Play Park is completed.

LE 10-11-21 To discuss and create plan of works for Lengthsman. Leaves on the pavement outside the Play Park make the area very slippery and dangerous, SHDC do not clear pavements. Underspend of about £2500 on current billing. Clerk to contact Mr Widdicombe and ask him if he would be prepared to take on more hours up to £2500 specifically to tackle weeds within the Parish. Clerk to ask if he has a licence for using a flame gun. Report to full council.

LE 11-11-21 To discuss grass cutting contract 2022-2024, and SHDC financial involvement in same. Clerk to contact existing contractors and ask to extend the contract for one year to enable SBPC to formulate a plan with SHDC and DCC. There will be a need to consult with home owners close to areas which have a change in cutting. For full council.

LE 12-11-21 To confirm filling of grit/salt bins prior to winter weather. Clerk to confirm with DCC if they will do this work.

LE 13-11-21 To consider the budget requirement for this committee for 2022/2023. £25,000, for full council.

Any items for the next agenda.

Date of the next meeting is 7th March 2021.

The meeting was closed at 9.24pm.