

LEIGH AND BRANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Leigh and Bransford Parish Council held by Zoom at 7.00pm on Tuesday 4th May 2021.

Attended by Mr J Sharp (chairman), Mr D Fereday, Mr B Porter, Mr P Ralph, Mr G Jones, Mr M Hinchliffe, Mrs A Oliver, Mr N Cresswell, Mr P King, Mr P Hawkins, J Barker (clerk)
Cllr P Tuthill (WCC), Cllr S Rouse (MHDC), Cllr P Whatley (MHDC) (All part meeting),
Mr G Brockbank and Mr J Berwick (representing Bromford Ltd) (part meeting)
Mr T Jones and Mr P Shepherd (representing Malvern Rise Ltd) (part meeting)
One member of the public (part meeting)

18/21 Apologies – Mr R Husband

- 19/21 a) Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the Agenda (personal and prejudicial – Mr P Ralph declared an interest in item 19/21 – re Bromford Ltd
b) Notification of any changes to the Register of Interests – None

Closure of meeting for Open Forum

Representatives of Bromford Ltd presented a draft plan of the proposed development of 24 affordable homes on an exception site to the SW of Elmhurst Farm, together with possible land available to the parish council for community use. A copy of the plan provided is included in the minutes to this meeting. The chairman confirmed that the parish council will consider the proposal when a formal planning application is submitted.

Representatives of Malvern Rise Management Company Ltd spoke to their request for an annual contribution from the parish council of £2061.75 towards the cost of maintaining the playground and common areas at the Malvern Rise development, Leigh Sinton, and the cost providing public liability insurance. The request is based on non-resident usage of the facilities. (information on costs and usage can be seen in their proposal, a copy of which is included in the appendix to these minutes)
The parish council requested further details on the costs, including a schedule of invoices by the end of June. The request will be a formal agenda item on the meeting to be held on 27th July.

The chairman thanked the representatives for their contributions and the parish council meeting was re-convened.

20/21 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 March 2021 had been circulated. Proposed by Mr Fereday, seconded by Mr Jones, approved unanimously.

21/21 Reports from representatives of other bodies:

MHDC - Councillors Rouse and Whatley gave an update on news from Malvern Hills District Council. The focus is recovery from the impact of Covid-19 and an economic recovery fund of £500k is in place, and there will be a focus on business, training and working with communities. Work will start soon on the improvements to Priory Park.

The 5-year land supply was discussed, and it was confirmed that this is currently based on need across south Worcestershire rather than local need.

WCC – Councillor Tuthill gave an update on county matters. This being his last meeting as county councillor the chairman thanked him for his contribution to the parish over the past few years, particularly in relation to highways matters.

22/21 Progress reports on ongoing issues

- The new SID has been delivered and will soon be operational in Leigh Sinton and Bransford.
- WCC have confirmed that the drainage problem on the A4103 by the Bank House will be addressed.
- The ROSPA inspection of Bransford play area has been completed.
- The blocked footway at Dragons Cross has been cleared.

Planning committee chairman Mr Fereday took the chair for item 24/21

23/21 Planning

a) No new planning applications to consider

b) Planning decisions received from MHDC

20/00586/s106	Land at (OS 7765 5045) Hereford Road	Application to modify s106 agreement	Approved
21/00076/HP	Jasmin Cottage	Replacement extension	Approved
21/00160/LB	Leigh Court Barns	Remove wall to create kitchen/diner	Approved

c) Neighbourhood Planning

Mr King provided an update. The Housing Needs Survey will be delivered to every home in the parish within the next few weeks. The draft Regulation 14 NP is being updated to take account of recent comments from MHDC.

Mr Sharp resumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

24/21 To discuss complaints regarding compliance with planning consent regulations at Go Greener, Guinness Park Farm

The chairman reported that residents local to the site had been asked to note breaches of the planning consent, as requested by the WCC Enforcement and Monitoring officer. There has been no feedback yet.

25/21 Finance

a) To approve accounts paid

R Wilks	Lengthsman – March	£316.80
R Wilks	Ditch maintenance work – minute 74/20	£1146.00
J Barker	Clerk – March 2021	£752.79
NEST	Clerk pension	£55.18
Glasdon UK	Litter bin	£211.83
Playsafety Ltd	Annual Rospa inspection	£99.00
Elan City Ltd (Adler Shine LLP)	Speed indicator device	£2354.00
CALC	Annual subscription	£1105.10
J Barker	Clerk – April 2021	£756.39

Approval proposed by Mr King, seconded by Mr Jones, approved unanimously.

Bank Balance £36,799.48

26/21 Reports of committees and working groups – No further reports.

27/21 Reports and items for consideration at future meetings

The chairman thanked Mrs Oliver for her work on Bransford Play Area and her report recently published in the Malvern Gazette. She is meeting a representative from MHDC there tomorrow to discuss the sign and a requested a report be submitted for the next Sphere.

A consultation has been received from WCC requesting comment on proposed 'no parking' regulations between No 2 Somers Terrace and Somers Close, which will also prevent parking on the pavement. The matter was discussed, and Mr King agreed to circulate the email to all members and liaise with WCC.

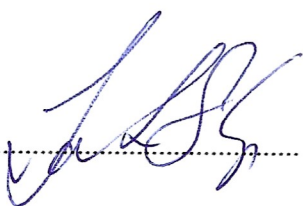
The problem of dog fouling is getting worse in Leigh Sinton despite additional signage and spraying. Mr Cresswell agreed to post the matter on local social media.

The grass needs cutting at Leigh Sinton bus shelter. The Lengthsman will attend to this.

28/21 Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday 27th July 7.00pm at Leigh and Bransford Memorial Hall (subject to alteration to comply with any guidelines in place in relation to public meetings)

Chairman.....



Date.....

