

**MINUTES OF THE
BRADFORD & COOKBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on

Wednesday 17th August 2022 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs: Mark Smale, Ann Richmond, Nick Langley, Andrew Oke,
Elizabeth Chandler.

Also present: Parish Clerk/RFO: Lindsay Dearing, and 7 members of the public.

AGENDA

- 1) a) **Elect a chairperson for this meeting.** Cllr. Smale agreed to chair the meeting.
b) **Receive any apologies of absence.** None.
- 2) **Declarations of Interest and dispensations.**
 - a) **To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda.**
 - b) **To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any).** None.
 - c) **To grant any dispensations as appropriate.** None.
 - d) **Candidates for co-option in Cookbury ward.** No candidates attended.
- 3) **It was resolved that the draft minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 22 June 2022 (circulated to members) are a true and accurate record and were signed by the chairman.**

As there were members of the public present for planning the chairman brought this section to the top of the agenda.

6) PLANNING

- a) **1/0541/2022/FUL Conversion of barn to 2 no. dwellings.
Barn At Cookbury Court, Cookbury. (Alterations to plans).**

Despite some revisions it was felt that the earlier comments were still relevant: Hedging; the choice of species, although marcescent, would not provide sufficient winter cover. An evergreen alternative should be sought.
Sewerage/Traffic : Acknowledged provision for increased usage by 13 persons is not carried over to increase in traffic that would also result. Using 2012 data is not the answer. Devon Highways need to be asked to look into this as access splays could not, apparently, be improved due to third party land owners.

2 members of the public left the meeting at 8.00pm
- b) **1/0740/2022/OUT Outline application for 1 no. dwelling with all matters reserved except for access. Land At Broadgate, Cookbury, Devon.**

The presence of a TPO for an existing Oak tree, overhead power cables and past contamination of the land by an ancient soakaway sewage system appear to make this an unsuitable site for such a development. Objections by neighbouring landowners make this apparent especially the close proximity of the replacement sewage plants to the boundary of a neighbouring property. Road access to Allens Lane could also cause traffic congestion and nuisance problems for parishioners further down the road during construction.

3 members of the public left the meeting at 8.24pm
- c) **1/0779/2022/OUT | Outline permission with all matters reserved for 2 no. detached residential dwellings | Land At Grid Reference 241155 103939 Brandis Corner Devon.**

The proposed access to and from the A3072, a road with a 60mph speed limit, and in the close proximity to a very dangerous road junction at Brandis Corner makes the PC have serious road safety concerns with this application.
A consultee reply from Devon Highways would be beneficial in this regard.

4) Other Items for discussion:

- a) **For the information of the council:** DEVON CC have RESOLVED that no Modification Order be made to modify the Definitive Map and Statement by upgrading Footpath No. 1, Bradford, to a bridleway between points A – B – C – D – E – F – G – H, as shown on drawing number HCW/PROW/20/37.

b) Defibrillators now installed at Brandis Corner, Cookbury Wick and Bradford. The units are now registered with SW Ambulance service.

c) Holsworthy & District Community Forum : Would any councillors wish to be *individually* registered with the above organisation as being willing and able to respond to requests from affiliated organisations for local assistance/deliveries?

After discussion it was agreed that such actions are not deemed to be within the remit of the parish council *per se*, but any councillors wishing to assist the Forum could do so on an individual and personal basis.

d) Holsworthy Rural Community Transport: Funding request.

This was discussed and it was agreed to support the request with a contribution of £300 annually for the next 3 years from the Vaglefield CB fund. The parish council has supported the HRCT in the past as it provides a valuable service to parishioners.

5) FINANCE

a) Accounts to date, for review and approval.

That the accounts be approved as a true and accurate record:

Proposed Cllr. Langley; Seconded; Cllr. Oke. Vote: Unanimous.

b) VAT refund April to June 2022 received and will be earmarked for the expected Defibrillator installation invoice.

c) Confirmation of earlier transfer: Parish Jubilee Cake £80.00 to Lynn Harris was signed by the chairman.

d) Confirmation of earlier transfer: Nifty Enterprises Ltd £60 for web hosting was signed by the chairman. This covers the period up to 1/9/22. Future service provision cost from that date will need to be negotiated.

e) Invoice for defibrillator installations (if received).

As this had not been received at the time of the meeting it was agreed that payment upon receipt could proceed using the VAT refund.

f) Annual payment of £10 to D. Tanswell for Landing light electricity was agreed.

7) CORRESPONDENCE : Any correspondence received since agenda produced.

Cllr. Richmond supplied quotes for framing the Jubilee floral display. As the Jubilee fund was under budget it was agreed to proceed.

Date of next meeting: 28 September 2022

Close of meeting: 9.00 pm

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