

BRAMHOPE & CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday 12th November 2019, 6.30pm at the Bramhope Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Simon Cooper (Chair)
Cllr Hilary Harris
Cllr Diane Fox
Cllr Lesley Hoff
Cllr David Bryant
Cllr Alan Anslow

Nicola Woodward – Clerk

1. To receive apologies

There were no apologies received.

2. To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests

There were no declarations of interest

3. To receive information on the ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary

3.1 To receive an update regarding re-pointing at the Puritan Chapel.

The LCC Restoration Officer is happy with the appointed contractor and a test patch is being arranged.

3.2 To receive an update on the replacement slide and steps at The Knoll

The drawing for the steps to assist with the planning application has been received. The drawing for the slide is still outstanding. The Clerk will speak to the company this week.

3.3 To receive information regarding gates for the Puritan Chapel.

Two further quotes have been received for the gates. A suggestion for an alternative design for the gates was suggested by one of the contractors. The alternative design was discussed. It was AGREED that the alternative design would be preferable to the original suggestion.

It was AGREED that the Clerk should go ahead and submit a planning application and Listed Building Consent application for the proposed design following consultation with the LCC Conservation Officer.

The Clerk will see a third quote for the revised design.

3.4 To receive information regarding the replacement infant swing.

The replacement hangers have been received. The contractor is away on holiday so a revised date for the fitting of the new swing is to be advised.

3.5 To receive an update on the Woodland Trust Free Trees.

The free trees have been planted today at Jubilee Copse, Recreation Ground and Cemetery by the Clerk, Cllrs Harris, Fox, Bryant, Fogel and Robinson. There were also 4 volunteers from Bramhope in Bloom. Hawthorn was planted by Cllr Haswell at the Puritan Chapel last week. Cllr Howard has taken photographs of the planting for the newsletter.

Thanks to all who have helped with the planting.

There are approximately 12 trees which have been potted up by Cllr Harris to be used on Jubilee Copse once works associated with the new roundabout and re-routing of the clean water drainage has been completed.

3.6 To receive an update on the playground surfacing.

Some repairs have been completed on the playground surfacing. Further repairs to the surfacing will be completed as whether permits.

3.7 To receive an update regarding the showers at the Pavilion

The Clerk and Cllr Anslow have met with a third company to quote for the works on the showers. The contractor will undertake some research into suitable systems prior to providing a quote.

3.8 To receive an update regarding cutting back Laurels at The Knoll.

A discussion took place regarding the Laurels at The Knoll. It was AGREED that a quote should be obtained to remove the two laurels nearest to the boundary wall and grind out the trunks to minimise re-growth.

3.8 To receive an update on the Outer North West Wellbeing Fund Grant Application for the Puritan Chapel and decide further action.

LCC have been in touch regarding the ONW Wellbeing Fund grant application. The Ward Councillors are in favour of supporting a new application if the Parish Council agree to match fund.

VMC recommends to Full Parish Council that a new application should be submitted to request funding for 50% of the value of the project. The next committee will be held on 2nd December 2019.

4. To receive a report on additional work completed since 3rd September 2019

Leaf clearing in the following areas – two Parish Council owned ginnels, the path by The Knoll, The Parade, the Puritan Chapel, recreation ground car park.

Surface repairs at the Playground

Oiled cemetery hut

Changed the lock at the pavilion

Re-fixed tiles at the Pavilion

Grouted changing room floor tiles at the Pavilion

Repaired door knob on noticeboard at Kings Road.

5. To receive a report from BiB:

Bramhope in Bloom volunteers, including the Duke of Edinburgh candidates currently volunteering with Bramhope in Bloom and hopefully some of the local scouts will be involved in the renovation of the school garden. Bramhope in Bloom have applied for a community grant from Yorkshire in Bloom to help meet costs.

Clarification for some items on the Bramhope in Bloom accounts was given..

The Bramhope in Bloom AGM will be held on the revised date of 21 November.

Inspection of barrels around the village will be done shortly as some have been found to be deteriorating due to fungus or the metal bands have snapped. Replacements will be done prior to summer bedding planting.

6. Matters arising

6.1 To discuss future Village Maintenance projects for 2020/21/22/23

A discussion took place regarding future Village Maintenance Projects.

Suggestions included a general overhaul of the Pavilion to include refurbishment of the inside, replacement windows and doors. Suggested to include in the 2022/23 budget.

Repairs to car park surfacing at the recreation ground in the budget for 2020/21.

Rebuilding of the Cemetery front wall, tarmac the layby, and more gravel for the paths to be included in the

budget for 2020/21.

Complete stage two of the slide project in 2020/21. The Playground – stage 2 of slide project next year (£20K). A budget of £20,000 will be included in the budget in 2021/22 and 2022/23 for further capital refurbishment of the playground.

Resurfacing and drainage breaks in the path at jubilee copse in 2020/21

6.2 To discuss the purchase of a sign for the wild flower area on Jubilee Copse and decide further action

A discussion took place regarding the purchase of a sign for the wildflower area at Jubilee Copse. It was AGREED by ALL that the proof for the design of the sign should be accepted and an order placed for the sign.

6.3 To discuss the surfacing of the path at Jubilee Copse and decide further action.

A discussion took place as part of the budget discussions. Recent heavy rainfall had caused damage to the surfacing on the path and will require some drainage channels and resurfacing during the next twelve months.

6.4 To receive information regarding the roof at the Puritan Chapel and decide further action.

The Clerk notified VMC that there is possibly a leak in the roof of the Puritan Chapel. A local contractor has been asked to investigate and provide a quote for any works that are required. A quote to clean the gutters and gutter brushes will also be requested.

7 To receive Parish Council Properties exception reports.

- a. Memorial garden. The Clerk will ask the Methodist Church if they would like to be included in wreath laying next year.
- b. Carlton phone box – the light on defibrillator is not working. The Clerk has reported the issue and will ensure that the issue is resolved.
- c. The Knoll – the path by knoll slippery and has would benefit from another sweep and the beech nuts should be cleared.
- d. Recreation Ground – the small gate at recreation ground is broken. It should be removed if it is beyond repair.

8 Any other business not on the agenda

Cllr Byrant raised the path at the Puritan Chapel and whether a working party is required to scrub path. The Clerk indicated that Pathclear has recently been applied to path. The path will be checked in the forthcoming weeks and if it is still slippery a working party can be arranged.

9 To arrange the date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 12th November 2019 at 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 7.43 pm
Minutes by Nicola Woodward
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