

Bredfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Bredfield Parish Council Meeting held on 10th October 2011 at St. Andrews' Church Room, Bredfield at 7pm.

Meeting started at 6.58pm.

Present

Councillors: Mr. D Hepper, Mr. A. Miller (chair), Mr D. Leyland, Mr. G. Taylor, Ms. D. Causier, Mr. T. Richardson

One member of the public was in attendance.

1.0 Apologies received and accepted by the Parish Council

1.1 Ms. A. Henderson – work commitments

2.0 Declarations of interest

None

3.0 Planning application

3.1 Land north of the Old Rectory, The Street – ref: C/11/2183. Application for the erection of a 20kw ground mounted photovoltaic system.

The Parish Council noted that this was a large installation. They had no objection to the application in principle, although they were concerned that the energy system would be visible from the C309, and would be only partly screened by hedges. There is a footpath immediately alongside the field, and the system would therefore also be visible to walkers. They would therefore recommend improved screening. They also queried whether biodiversity issues had been addressed, as there was no supporting evidence of this in the application. The clerk will respond to the planning authority and will raise these two issues. **AP/11/38**

4.0 Finance

The clerk had received the annual audit return from BDO, and presented the findings to the Council. There was only one minor issue raised, concerning the use of S137 power. The clerk will display the notice of conclusion of the audit for 14 days, as required. **AP/11/39**

5.0 Any other business

5.1 Bank mandates

Cllr. Grahame Taylor agreed to become a third signatory for the parish Council account (in addition to Cllrs. Miller and Hepper). The Council agreed unanimously that the clerk should be recommended as the administrator for the account. The clerk will complete the necessary paperwork and contact the bank. **AP/11/32**

5.2 LDF consultation

Cllrs Hepper, Richardson and Leyland have scrutinised the Sustainability Appraisal and Appropriate Assessment documents, and they gave feedback to the Parish Council. The clerk will use this to make a response to SCDC before 14th October. **AP/11/29**

5.3 Site Specific allocations

Cllr Hepper commented on the lack of up to date information about site-specific planning allocations in the village. The clerk will ask SCDC for the current situation. **AP/11/40**

5.4 C309

The clerk had received a communication from PC Gilmore, giving dates when she would be available to meet and discuss the issue of parking on the C309. Cllrs Richardson, Causier and Leyland would be interested in attending such a meeting. The clerk will forward the dates to them, and will arrange a meeting. She will copy Tim Osborn into the final meeting arrangements. **AP/11/22 and 23**

5.5 Meet your MP evening

The clerk will confirm that the village hall has been booked for this event, on 11th November at 7.30pm. She will also confirm that Daniel Poulter is on schedule for the event. Cllr Miller will organise leaflets and posters, which members of the Parish Council will distribute in the village. **AP/11/17**

5.5 Glebe land

Cllr Miller asked if the initial proposal for the glebe land development could be sent to Tim Edgell, Revd Dave Gardner and Caroline Cowper (PCC). The clerk will send these, and will also communicate that a team has already been established in the village to develop the proposal further. **AP/11/20 and 26**

Meeting closed at 7.50pm.

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