

Minutes of the Bretton Annual Parish Meeting for Electors held on Tuesday 27th April 2021, at 7 P.M. via Virtual platform

Present:

Parish Councillors: J Bhatti, C Burbage, A Gasparutti, J Hayes, J Merrill, M A Stanton, C Lee, A Ellis, R Strangward (late), P Gatward (late)

Guest Presenters: Councillors Susie Lucas (Ashton & Bainton) & Neil Boyce (Castor)

Residents: None attended

Others: S Radouani – Clerk,

<u>Welcome from Parish Council Chair</u>	
Cllr Lee gave a warm welcome to all those attending with the meeting being opened at 19.00.	
1	<u>Apologies for Absence</u>
1.1	Apologies were received and accepted from Parish Councillors L Aldridge (work), C Fenner, A Fenner (sick), M Horrell (work)
2.	<u>Minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on 21st May 2019 & matters arising</u>
2.1	The minutes of the meeting of the 21 st May 2019, having been circulated in advance were accepted as a true record and will be signed by the Chair. There were no matters arising from those minutes
3.	<u>Good Neighbours Presentation by Parish Councillors Susie Lucas & Neil Boyce</u>
3.1	<p>Cllr Lucas & Cllr Boyce provided an overview of the Good Neighbours scheme, of which the points were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's for anyone who is vulnerable and not just for the elderly. • Assisting people with their shopping. Trying to enable them to stay in their homes for as long as possible. • Try to keep the cost down, they only employ a part time coordinator to manage the scheme. Therefore, there is no overheads. • Main aim for the scheme is to be self-sufficient • They are in advance discussions with another Urban Parish Council-Orton Longueville. • It was advised that Bretton Parish Council may wish to take to Orton Longueville Parish Council to get their perspective of the scheme and how they plan to approach it. The key contact points were Cllr Bull and Cllr Skinner. • Potentially conduct a survey to ascertain if there is a need for the service in Bretton. Also, if anyone is willing to become a volunteer. • The scheme has around 30 volunteers onboard which are loaned from the Covid hub. • In respect of referrals – Active towards volunteers for Covid. When they expand, they would come over to the charity? • The referrals coming in are varied, from social prescribing, people getting involved in social activities to support vulnerable people. • They have several areas leads that link in with the coordinator to give support to the Parishes -they are key personnel. • Work together with Parish Councils and have links with Peterborough City Council (PCC) -Health Support Sector. • They had funding from PCC for the initial costs in setting up the scheme.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The financial contribution associated with the scheme was explained. Working on the same level as the Rural areas would potentially cost Bretton Parish Council in the region of around £12,000. Based on each household. • Cllrs advised in relation to the cost, residents would not be happy if the precept were increased to support this venture. • Rural figures are set up as £2.00 per household. The Trustees are looking at formulas to try and get the costs down, reduce the overheads. This potentially would be activable if more Parishes joined the scheme. Thus, reducing the cost per household. • They use CRM as their reporting package software tool • Feedback and updates go onto the CRM system and the response time is around 24 hours. • All referrals going through the coordinator. • There is a buddy system in place, so that residents are not dependant on one individual. • All referrals from Bretton gets directed to the Covid hub to action. This can be based on any scenario. As Bretton is not in the scheme then the residents will get telephone calls. • The Cllrs asked if Bretton were to take it to the next level and facilitate a survey. What communication is in place to assist. Cllr Lucas and Boyce confirmed that they would be willing to help with residents if they wish to discuss the scheme. • The Cllrs asked what the ratio for volunteers was -who is doing the work for the Parish Councils. They were advised that it was a 50/50 split. • Cllr Lucas and Boyce informed the Cllrs, if Bretton decided to join the scheme, then they would like a representative from the Parish Council to be on board as a Trustee. • They would also look for a leads volunteers / residents. • Supporting the communities to get volunteers.
4	<u>Report from the Chair of Bretton Parish Council on the activities of the Council for the past year</u>
4.1	Cllr Lee's report on the activities of the Parish Council for the last year (2020-21) was circulated prior to the meeting as it was delivered on a virtual platform. No questions were asked, and it was agreed there was no need for the report to be read out. See report attached.
4.2	There were no specific questions on the above report.
5.	<u>Report from the Responsible Financial Officer on the Finances for the past year (2020-21)</u>
5.1	The Clerks report on the finances for the last year (2020-21) was circulated prior to the meeting as it was delivered on a virtual platform. No questions were asked, and it was agreed there was no need for the report to be read out. See report attached.
6.	Residents' questions and get to know your Parish Councillors and discuss local issues.
	No resident attendance.
	There being no further business or questions the Chair closed the meeting at 7.45PM.