

## Bretton Parish Council

### Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 8.30 p.m. at the Parish Offices, Unit 2, Pyramid Shopping Centre, Bretton.

**Present:** Councillors – M Clements, A Ellis, M Gimblett, C Rudd, J Merrill C Skidmore and S Warren.

**Residents:** None

**Others:** B Champness - Clerk.

#### Open Forum

No members of the public were present and the meeting was formally opened at 20.30. Cllr Ellis asked the Clerk to explain why the meeting was starting an hour later than normal. The Clerk explained that both he and Cllr Clements had to attend a very important Governors meeting and as Cllr Ellis was on holiday a quick decision had to be made whether to cancel this meeting or start it later. It was decided rather than cancel we would start an hour later.

#### **20** Apologies for Absence & Resignations

**20.1** There were no apologies as all were present

#### **21** Declaration of Interest – To receive Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests, as set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and the nature of those interests relating to any Agenda item

**21.1** No one declared an interest on any matter on the agenda

#### **22** To approve minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (P&E17-01)

**22.1** **Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairperson after an amendment was made to Item 7.1 to read “He also said that there was a problem at the Tyesdale crossing where people sat drinking.”

#### **23** Matters to report

**23.1** The Clerk reported that he had been in touch with Jamie Macfarlane regarding the matters raised by Cllr Clements with lights under the alleyways from the main path to the car parks. Jamie wanted more details so he understood the problem and Cllr Clements had written a detailed reply explaining that some lights were not working, some were working but were on all the time and some alleyways did not have any lights in them. This had been sent to Jamie but he was still confused as to what was required. Cllr Clements said that he would try and simplify the matters.

**23.2** Cllr Clements asked if we had a response from Dial A Ride which we had not and the Clerk was asked to chase this up.

**23.3** A question was asked about the litter in the car park by the Health centre. There was no news but the Clerk would chase Jamie MacFarlane.

**24 Items deferred from Full Council:** there was nothing deferred from Full Council

**25 Planning Applications – to include**

**25.1.1 To Approve/consider 17/01312/PRIOR** – single storey rear & side extension Distance from original rear wall 3.60m Height 3.73 m (2.9m to eaves) at 22 Tollgate. The Clerk explained that when an application was finished with the words PRIOR the application was on the planning list from Peterborough City Council for information purposes only and did not require comment. Cllr Rudd confirmed that it was a request from a resident for prior information as to whether or not the work could go ahead with or without planning permission.

**25.1.2** After the agenda was posted notice was received of a Planning Application bearing number **17/01306/FUL** - change of use of B1/B2/B8 land to lorry parking (temporary) at Land north west of Kingsbridge Centre, Sturrock Way. We had two choices. The first was to leave this matter for Full Council to deal with or to give the Clerk delegated authority for him to respond as if the matter was on the agenda and to consider the application tonight. **Resolved:** that the Clerk is given delegated authority to respond. The plan was considered in detail and it was then resolved that we had no objections but would make the following comments:

- As the site is right next to a school there should be a restriction that lorries could not move or move significantly at the beginning and end of the school day which would mean the children would not be disturbed by the noise and
- There was concern that the air quality would or could be a problem to the school children at those times also.

**25.2 To note permission granted – 17/00935/FUL** – to re-position existing double doors within existing shop front and to install new, glazed panel to former door opening at 21A Bretton Court Centre (Poundland) and **17/00936/ADV** installation of 1 no. internally illuminated Fascia Sign and 2 no. over door non illuminated vinyl signs at 21 A Bretton Centre.

**17/00955/HHFUL** – single storey front extension at 27 Essendyke, Bretton.

It was noted also that the proposed new parking restrictions in Norburn will be proceeding and making the Legal Order as advertised.

**25.3 To note refusal of permission/ withdrawn** – there was none to note

**25.4 To note appeal lodged** - there was none to note

**25.5 To note appeals refused** - there was none to note

**26 To receive an update on the problem of parking in Essendyke and Watergall and vagrants in Bretton Centre**

**26.1** Cllr Ellis said that he had visited Essendyke to try and see the problem of parking first hand. He accepted there was a problem near the garages but a short distance away there was a car park which had available spaces. He thought that it might be possible for a sign to be erected by the garages saying” No Parking up to this Point” He would continue to monitor the situation and if the Clerk had written to Peterborough City Council about this then that should be chased as it was pointless two people trying to do the same thing. Cllr Warren said that in so far as the parking problem in Watergall was concerned he

thought that the problem had eased and he was in regular contact with the family who have not repeated their concerns.

- 26.2** In so far as the rough sleepers are concerned Cllr Ellis said that he had received a great deal of help from the homeless team at Peterborough City Council. They were not just asking them to move on but were talking to them and trying to understand their position and why they are sleeping rough. He said there was talk of an encampment in the woods near Benland. He understood there to be 3000 homeless in Peterborough and 250 in temporary accommodation. The problem was huge and Peterborough City Council were doing all they could to help the situation.

## **27 To receive an update on the Street Audit**

- 27.1** There have been a number of complaints regarding rubbish and graffiti all of which have been reported to Jamie MacFarlane. They are in brief:
1. Overhanging branches at 168 Kirkmeadow.
  2. Fly tipping opposite 34 Brynmore
  3. Uneven footways that access the car park from outside 83 and 85 Brynmore,
  4. Trolleys and other waste near 91 Watergall
  5. Overgrown grass in Benland on land it is difficult to ascertain ownership
  6. Abandoned bin outside 111 Linkside
  7. A plot of land in Langley which nobody seems to own and has been left for bushes and shrubs to overgrow.
  8. Why has Bretton Centre become a magnet for homeless people, the centre has become neglected ,We have lived on Bretton for many years and it has become run down , it seems nobody is interested in cleaning the centre \_cycleway around the centre are blocked by cars parking on them - maybe bollards would stop this
  9. A missing litter bin in Bretton Park
  10. Tree or shrubs to be cut back away from the footway at the rear of 83 Benland as they are seriously obstructing pedestrians.
  11. Fly Tipping in Kirkmeadow and Watergall
  12. Vandalism at the pumping station on the old paddling pool site.
  13. Someone has dumped a load of junk on the embankment behind 28 Artindale South Bretton.

## **28 To receive an update on the Vision for Bretton Working Party**

- 28.1** There was no update but it was hoped that the results would be available soon. It was explained that there were other matters taking the group from progressing this matter. .

## **29 Correspondence**

- 29.1** The following correspondence had been received:
1. Local councils are taking on services to fill gaps as principal authorities cut provision, new NALC/LGC research reveals. This would be sent to Cllr Clements to consider and report back if there was anything of importance.
  2. Delivering the UK's Road Network 2017 conference on 13<sup>th</sup> July
  3. Help protect parks for future generations from the Keep Britain Tidy campaign.
  4. Summer is in Full Swing at Creative Play
  5. Home Show Invite 2017 from Sutcliffe Play
  6. Win up to £40k matched funding from Kompan Playgrounds
  7. Latest News from CPCL July 2017
  8. Peterborough Local Plan Update. This would be sent to Cllr Clements to consider.

9. Polished Stainless Steel Security Mirrors from Reece Safety
10. CPRE Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Planning Training for Parish Councils, 2nd November. Cllr Rudd was attending and Cllr Clements said that he would check if he was able to attend.
11. Still time to WIN an Outdoor Gym! Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> August
12. 7/00935/FUL and 17/00936/ADV - Bretton PC comments.

**36. Any Other Business – Reminder by Law – information exchange only no decisions can be made**

**36.1** Cllr Gimblett said that there were a lot of potholes in the road by Thorpe Wood Police Station but did not know if this was in our Parish. It was not but there was nothing to stop us trying to get them filled in. She also said that many of the paths were now being covered by overhanging shrubs and it was difficult for her in a wheelchair. Again this would be mentioned to see if the bushes could be cut back. The Clerk asked Cllr Gimblett why she did not get a taxi to and from council meetings as he considered it to be dangerous for her to use Bretton Way in her wheelchair. She said that she did not like taxis but the Clerk pointed out that she must use a taxi and the Parish Council would refund her expenses.

**36.2** There being no further business the meeting was formally closed at 21.40

**37. The date of the next meeting – to be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at 19.30** at the Parish Office, Unit 2, Pyramid Shopping Centre, Bretton.

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