



Brean Parish Council

Clerk to the Council Hazel Brinton 35 Hannah Drive, Locking, Weston s Mare BS24 7JS

Minutes of the Brean Parish Council Meeting held on 4th April 2022 at Brean Village Hall

Present

Chairman

Cllr T Hicks

Councillors

Cllrs M Chatterton, M Ford, J Gauntlett, N McCoy, P Wright

Before the start of the meeting, the Chairman asked for a minute's silence to mark the passing of former councillor Don Holland.

131/21 Apologies

Cllr John Augustus.

District Cllr Grimes and County Cllr Filmer were not in attendance due to pre-election rules.

132/21 Declaration of Interests

None declared.

133/21 Approval of minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th March were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

134/21 To respond to members of the public

No members of the public were present.

135/21 To hear from the District and County councillors and the police

Cllr Filmer and Cllr Grimes were not able to be present due to pre-election rules. The clerk had circulated the monthly police report to members.

136/21 Planning and premises licenses applications

The current status of applications below were noted.

- **Application No: 06/21/00013**

Applicant: Mr Quinton

Location: Marram Dune, Church Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 2SF

Proposal: Proposed single storey side (South) extension and first floor rear (West) balcony with external stair case and 1.8m privacy screen

Granted permission under delegated authority

- **Application No: 06/21/00011**

Applicant: Mr Miles

Signed by Chairman.....

16th May 2022

Location: Selwood Farm, Brean Road, Lympsham, Weston-super-mare, Somerset, BS24 0HD
Proposal: Change of use and conversion of barns into 2no. holiday lets.

Withdrawn after registration

- **Licensing Act 2003**

Application to Vary a Premises Licence
Northam Farm Caravan Park, South Road, Brean, Burnham on Sea, TA8 2SE
The applicant wishes to place a 7m x 3m container bar into the area by the current Premises Licence.

Application out for consultation until 2nd April

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New planning and premises licenses applications.

The Chairman declared an interest and left the room.

- **Application number: 06/22/00004/LE**

Proposal: Erection of 2no. park homes and formation of parking

Location: Justamere, South Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 2RD

After debate, it was:

Resolved: to offer no comments on the four licensing objectives.

The Chairman returned to the meeting.

- **Application No: 06/20/00009**

Application Type: Full Planning Permission

Applicant: Mr Smith

Location: 4 Church Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 2SF

Coordinates: E: 329590.80 N: 155922.61

Proposal: Retrospective application for engineering works to extend the patio area and the erection of a wooden lodge with chimney to house internal BBQ.

After debate, it was:

Resolved: to support the application

- **Application No: 06/22/00006**

Application Type: Full Planning Permission

Applicant: Mr G Dunn

Location: The Highway, Warren Road, Brean, Burnham On Sea, Somerset, TA8 2RR

Coordinates: E: 329676.49 N: 156911.47

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension and installation of dormer and balcony to the rear (West) elevation. Erection of single storey side extensions to the North and South elevations

Members noted with concern that the Public Right of Way that bordered the property had been closed off with the erection of a fence in front of the property. They requested that the clerk write to Somerset County Council to advise the PRow officer of this (*post meeting: issue reported under issue 66921*). After further debate, it was:

Resolved: to offer no observations but to advise Sedgemoor District Council of the closure of the public right of way.

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Letter from NALC Smaller Councils Committee Chair

The council had no observations to offer but the clerk would investigate training material on licensing matters for members and forward it on.

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Financial Matters

- The clerk advised members of an additional invoice from Minster Architecture for £2025 to add to the payments list.
Resolved: to approve the payments as presented by the clerk for the current month's expenditure.
- **Resolved:** to note the bank reconciliations for March 2022
- **Resolved:** to note the income and expenditure statement as at 31st March 2022.
- Advertising revenue – the clerk was asked to invoice an additional advertiser. It was reported that another advertiser was having their posters printed so they would advertise in due course. The clerk had contact details for another requestor which she would pass on. The council agreed to contract a locksmith for access to some of the boards which appeared to have been tampered with.
Resolved: the council agreed a sum of £50 for small credit-card size adverts
- Clock Servicing – after debate, it was:
Resolved that the clerk would ask Smiths of Derby for other options including an electric mechanism.
- Legacy from Mr Hatherall – it was noted that a legacy of £2k had been left to the parish council for the maintenance of St Bridget's Church in Brean. The church would be asked for proposals for its use going forwards.
- Risk Assessment and Statement of Internal Control for 2021/22:
Resolved: to agree and sign both the Risk Assessment and Statement of Internal Control for 2021-22 as presented by the clerk.

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Village Matters

- **Village Hall public toilets/bus shelter project** – Cllr Ford reported that the technical building drawings had been received from the architect. A lengthy debate took place on the timing of the work and the order in which matters should proceed. The clerk advised members that the tender would have to be advertised on the Contracts Finder website and she was also asked to send to local builders to ask that they submit a tender. She further advised that it would be for the council to be elected in May to take the decision on how the rebuild or refurbishment would proceed and when the work would take place. She advised that a decision on a project this close to an election would be ill-advised as the incoming council may have different ideas.
- **Village Hall** – Cllr Chatterton advised that someone had been to look at the audio visual equipment. He would have a demonstration on how the equipment worked but that modern equipment worked on LEDs rather than the three phase currently in the hall. He added that in order to attract a drama group, equipment would be required.

He reported that a new boiler and new toilets had been fitted. A management committee meeting would be taking place shortly to discuss matters but that enquiries and bookings were increasing.

- **Speed Indicator Device** – Cllr Augustus was not present but the clerk report that the Highways Engineer from Somerset County Council had said she would be looking at potential sites over Easter/
- **Transfer of management of Brean Beach to SDC** – members received the following information by way of update on the transfer of the management of Brean beach to SDC:
 - The handover to SDC had taken place from 1 April 2022
 - A meeting would take place after Easter between the parish council and SDC
 - SDC had taken the decision not to allow parking south of the new posts. This may lead highways issues with parking but there may be temporary parking arrangements.

Members mentioned concerns over the speed of the land yachts now that there were fewer cars and building rubble on the beach.

- **Bus shelter opposite the Seagull pub** – the clerk was asked to write to Pontins and ask them to remove branches from trees located on their land which were resting on the roof of the bus shelter owned by the parish council.
- **Queens Jubilee joint celebrations** – The clerk and Cllr McCoy reported on emails received from St Bridget's and the Methodist Churches asking whether the parish council planned any events and offering a joint celebration should it wish. Cllr Chatterton reported that the Village Hall Management Committee could make the hall available free of charge if there were no existing bookings. The parish council itself was not planning any specific celebrations.

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Future agenda items

Not relevant for the next meeting which would be the Annual Parish Council Meeting of the new council.

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Date of next meeting

The next meeting would be on 16th May at 19.00 at the Village Hall and would be the first meeting after the elections.

The Chairman declared the public part of the meeting closed at 20.26.