Minutes of the Broadwoodwidger Parish Council meeting.

Tuesday 2nd August 2022, 7.00pm at Broadwoodwidger Community Hub

Those in attendance: Cllr James (Chairman), Cllrs Perkin, Worden, Crocombe, Stratton, Clerk.

Members of the public present: 0

5578. Apologies for absence:

Cllrs Hawken, Wonnacott, Nobbs, PCSO Jess Mceldon, PC Frank Morgan, County Cllr Morrish, District Cllr Watson.

5579. Declaration of Interests

The Chairman declared that interests be raised as they arise.

5580. Public Open Question Time

None.

5581. Police Report

The Clerk read out a report received from PC Frank Morgan. See Appendix A. The Clerk will look at the website referred to for any specific incidents within the Parish.

5582. County Councillor Report

No report received. Cllr Morrish sent his apologies and hoped to be present at the next meeting.

5583. District Councillor Report

Cllr Watson sent his apologies and advised he would send a written report next week following a visit to the Parish and a meeting at Torridge.

5584. Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held 28th June 2022 were previously circulated, no adjustments needed, proposed by Cllr Perkin seconded by Cllr Crocombe, carried nem.com

5585. Matters Arising

Cllr Perkin updated Council with regards to the Holsworthy Rural Community Transport Group following their recent meeting. Around 100 people attended the meeting. The presentation showed that there are 13 users within the Parish and 1500 users in total. Cllr Perkin proposed that Council made a £1000 annual grant to the organisation and was proposing the same to all Parishes that use the service. Cllr Perkin advised that the organisation would close within 12 months if it is not financially supported The Clerk will send Councillors a copy of the presentation to review and add the matter to the agenda of the next meeting to agree an appropriate grant.

5586. Councillors Code of Conduct

Council members who were not present at the Annual General Meeting were due to sign the code of conduct; however as Cllr Nobbs was not present this was not possible. The Clerk will meet with Cllr Nobbs to sign the document.

5587. Planning

1/0671/2022/FUL - Proposed conversion of barn to self contained unit of accommodation - Boldford, St Giles On The Heath – Council support this application, Clerk to send response.

1/0651/2022/FUL - Conversion of 2 no. devon lady classrooms into holiday lets. - Broadwood House, Broadwoodwidger – Council supports this application, Clerk to send response.

1/0718/2022/AGMB - Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building to 5 no. dwellinghouse and associated building operations under Class Q - Agricultural Building At Grid Reference 241675 088794 — Council object against this application on the grounds that we do not believe the building is not suitable for class Q conversion for the following reasons: We believe that the main structure is not sound and may have concrete cancer, the roof of the barn is constructed of asbestos and not concrete fibre as stated in the application, there is soil contamination to the rear of the building from a storage pit for animal excrement and the property has been used as a chemical store in the recent past. In addition, the application does not show any clear purpose for the use of the 5 dwellings and we do not believe the footprint of the building provides adequate space for 5 properties.

1/0733/2022/LBC - Remove existing wall and gate - Land At Church Terrace, Broadwoodwidger – Council have no comments regarding support/objection of this application as we believe there is a dispute over the ownership of the wall on the application.

1/0713/2022/FUL - Demolition of barn and erection of dwelling house with associated works in lieu of Class Q Permitted dwelling (in replacement of 1/0399/2021) - Barn 4, Broadwoodwidger, Devon - Council object to this application. Council would like to reiterate our comments made on the original application which were 'Broadwoodwidger Parish Council do not support this application due to the environmental issues raised by the Environmental Protection Team and also due to the structure and condition of the barn'. We therefore do not feel permission should be granted on this new application as the original should not have been granted.

5588. Accounts due for payment

Clerks Wages £286.00

Accounts proposed by Cllr Perkin and seconded by Cllr Stratton, carried nem.com

5589. Defibrillator Received

The defibrillator for the Cross Green phone box has arrived. It is understood that the electrics are still connected. The Clerk will contact Parkers Maintenance to see if they would be able to restore the phone box as they did the one at Ivyhouse Cross. We would not require shelving but possibly need a new floor.

5590. Footpath Maintenance

Ros Davies the Footpath's Liaison Officer had advised the Clerk that the required works had been completed however Council did not agree and the works still appear to be outstanding. The Clerk will follow this up again.

5591. Go North Devon

The Clerk advised that there are currently no users of this service within the Parish. Council agreed that this was not a good use of funds so no grant would be awarded.

5592. To Receive Correspondence

Council has received two thank you letters following donations made to Children's Hospice South West and The Devon Air Ambulance Trust of the funds raised at the jubilee celebrations. These have been displayed in the Community Hub.

5593. Parish Clerk's Report

None.

5594. Any other Business

The verges between Roadford Lake and Rose Cottage are overgrown and causing visibility difficulties for road users. The Clerk will contact Devon Highways regarding this.

There is no give way sign on the road from Ashmill to Ivyhouse approaching reservoir cross. The Clerk will contact Devon Highways regarding this.

Cllr Stratton has been corresponding with Devon Highways regarding the fallen down guardrails at Moor Bridge, on the road between Lugworthy Cross and Boldventure Cross. The Clerk will send an email to Devon Highways supporting Cllr Stratton's concerns.

The Clerk will chase up a response to the poor road conditions between Camp Cross and Downicarey via Emsworthy.

5595. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th September 2022 at 7pm.

5586. Close

The meeting was closed at 8.17pm.