

# BILLING PARISH COUNCIL

Established 1894

## Serving Bellinge, Ecton Brook, Great Billing and Little Billing

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018 AT THE BERNARD WESTON PAVILION, GREAT BILLING

PRESENT Councillor J. Marlow (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs G. K. Chagger (part), Mrs. C. Worthington, D. Brede,

R. Burbidge, J. Clements, D. Nash, S. Rockall, S. Ward

Also Present: Mrs. S. Harris (Clerk to the Council)

P. Marks (Green Space Manager)
Damian Lang (Parish Highway Warden)

Michelle Aveyard (Bellinge Community House)

4 Parishioners

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<b>88</b> 88.1	Apologies Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs. M. Course and M. Pearson (both on holiday). Apologies were also received from Cllr. A. Kilbride (NBC & NCC) and Cllr. C. Malpas (NBC) due to NBC Council meeting, and from Liz Newbery (NBC Neighbourhood Warden).	
89	Minutes	
89.1	The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2018 (Folio Nos. 035/2018 – 039/2018) were approved and signed as a true record.	
90	Public Forum	
90.1	Fiona Diamond said that having attended a recent fete in Leicestershire she had a couple of ideas for the next Billing Fayre, one of which was for a portable climbing wall. These ideas will be discussed at a future Billing Fayre committee meeting.	
90.2	Cllr. Rockall read out a statement received from Bipin Patel regarding a recent hire of Bipin Brook for a birthday party. He sincerely apologised for the noise and disruption caused by the hirers who refused to leave the premises even though the police eventually attended. Steps were being taken to ensure that problems such as these did not occur in future.	
91	Reports from Outside Agencies	
91.1	Michelle Aveyard gave a short report on the activities at Bellinge Community House and in her absence Liz Newbery (Highway Warden) had also forwarded a report. These may be found in Appendix I.	

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91	Reports from Outside Agencies (Continued)			
91.2	Damian Lang (Parish Highway Warden) said that fly tipping in Ecton Brook had			
31.2	been reported. Many overhanging and broken tree branches had also been			
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	reported but he understood that cutting back, etc., v	vould not take place u	intil mid-	
	October.			
92	Planning			
92.1	N/2018/0924 – Pax Cottage, 23 Elwes Way, Gt Billir	ng — Listed huilding an	nlication	
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	for replacement front door.			
	N/2018/1081 - 24 Lawson Crescent, Gt Billing -	New 3-bedroomed of	detached	
	house.			
	N/2018/1165 - 25 Valley Crescent, Lt Billing - Two st	torey rear and side ext	tensions.	
	N/2018/1186 – 3 Elwes Way, Gt Billing – Single storey conservatory to side			
	elevation.			
	N/2018/1227 – 7 Standing Stones, Gt Billing – Single storey rear extension.			
	No comments or objections to any of the above.	- F:-I-I OI		
	N/2018/0787 - (Amended application)-16 Raisins Field Close, Ecton Brook-			
	Erection of single storey extension to side of property. The Parish Council had			
	serious concerns with regard to parking at this prope	erty but this was over-	-ruled by	
	the Planning Department.			
92.2	The following determinations had been received from	n NRC·		
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	N/2018/0924 – Pax Cottage, 23 Elwes Way, Gt Billing – Listed building application			
	for replacement front door. APPROVED.			
	N/2018/0787 – (Amended application)-16 Raisins Field Close, Ecton Brook-			
	Erection of single storey extension to side of property. APPROVED.			
	N/2018/0845 – The Spires Academy, Station Close, Gt Billing – Variation of			
	Condition 1 of Planning Permissions N/2016/1264 and N/2000/0981 to allow the			
	Spires Academy to occupy the building for longer th			
	further twelve months until 15 February 2020. APPR		100 101 0	
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93	Finance			
93.1	The list of Accounts for Approval for Payment (cove	ring a two month per	riod) had	
	been circulated to all members. RESOLVED that payment be made as per the			
	following:			
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		Power of Expenditure	Inc. VAT	
	Small Business Payroll (July Salaries and Monthly Fee)	LGA1972s112	3,700.00	
	Mike's Donkeys (Deposit for Donkey Hire – Fayre 2019)	LGA1972s145	50.00	
	GM Suppliers (Chain and Chain Oil)	LGA1972s111	25.52	
	BACA (100 Wheelie Bin Liners)	LGA1972s111	42.00	
	Unicom (Telephone & Broadband – Pavilion - Jul)	LGA1972s133	45.44	
	Amazon (Bonsaii Shredder & Shredder Oil)	LGA1972s111	152.42	
	Small Business Payroll (July Account deficit)	LGA1972s112	532.53	
	O2 (GSM Mobile – Airtime – Jul statement )	LGA1972s133	10.93	
	Martial Arts Academy (Grant towards Summer activities)	LGA1972s145	500.00	
	Barclaycard Commercial (Jul Credit Card statement)	LGA1972s111	113.18	
	NEST (GSM Pension Contributions –Jul)	LGA1972s112	253.08	
	E.ON (Electricity - Street Lighting Apr/Jun)	PCA1957s3 LGA1972s111	866.95 302.66	
	Minster Cleaning (Pavilion Cleaning – Jul)   ESPO (Basin Taps/Paper Hand Towels)	LGA1972s111 LGA1972s111	102.50	
	GM Suppliers (Service & Spares – Chainsaw)	LGA1972s111 LGA1972s111	79.15	
	GM Suppliers (Oil/Chain Oil/Square Line – Chainsaw)	LGA1972s111 LGA1972s111	43.13	
	Wellingborough Norse (Waste collections Pavilion – Jul)	LGA1972s111 LGA1972s111	88.66	
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93	Finance (Continued)			
93.1	Accounts approved for payment (Cont)			
		Power of Expenditure	Inc. VAT	
	Wave Business (Water Rates – Pavilion May/Aug)	LGA1972s111	49.22	
	Small Business Payroll (Aug Salaries and monthly fee)	LGA1972s112	3,700.00	
	Unicom (Telephone & Broadband – Pavilion – Aug)	LGA1972s133	45.44	
	Small Business Payroll (Aug Account deficit)	LGA1972s112	532.53	
	GM Suppliers (Chain H30 325 x 72 1.3) GM Suppliers (New Stihl MS 291 18" Chainsaw)	LGA1972s111 LGA1972s111	21.76 516.00	
	Broxap (2 Litter Bins & Fixings – for Bellinge Field)	Litter Act 1983ss5/6	718.68	
	Eason Electrical (Annual PAT Testing of appliances)	LGA1972s111	60.00	
	NEST (GSM Pension Contributions –Aug)	LGA1972s112	253.08	
	Barclaycard Commercial (Aug Credit Card statement)	LGA1972s111	178.35	
	Minster Cleaning (Pavilion Cleaning – Aug)	LGA1972s111	302.66	
	Wellingborough Norse (Waste collections Pavilion – Aug)	LGA1972s111	88.66	
	O2 (GSM Mobile – Airtime – Aug statement )	LGA1972s133	10.93	
	D F Phipps (2 x Plaques & Plinths)	LGA1972s111	172.80	
	D F Phipps (Clearing/Disposing fly tipping Church Way/Leys)	OSA1906ss9&10	48.00	
	D F Phipps (Repair/Levelling Pavilion Car Park/Roll Astroturf)	OSA1906ss9&10	420.00	
	D F Phipps (Work in Bellinge Field)	OSA1906ss9&10	776.00	
	Aylesbury Mains (10 x 24w Libra Lanterns)	PCA1957s3	3,840.00	
	PKF Littlejohn (External Audit Fee)	LGA1972s143	480.00	
	British Gas (Pavilion Electricity Bill –Jun/Aug)	LGA1972s111	244.79	
93.2	A copy of the schedule showing Income and Expen	diture compared to E	Budget for	
	the period to 31.08.18 together with a statemer	nt of reconciled ban	k account	
	balances, had been forwarded to all members. RESO	OLVED this be approv	ed.	
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93.3	RESOLVED that two wreaths be ordered for Remem	•		Clerk
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94.3	Cllr. Mrs Chaggar left the meeting at this point.	
<b>95</b> 95.1	Updates Proposed barrier to prevent motorcycle nuisance adjacent to old school site in Great Billing. On-going.	
95.2	Proposed barrier to prevent travellers accessing site adjacent to Ecton Brook Primary School. On-going.	
95.3	Ponds at Fishers Close. Cllr. Brede had walked the site and had forwarded photographs to all members. It would appear there is water on the north side albeit lower than it has been, but there is none on the south side. Everywhere is completely overgrown and it was suggested that Cllr. Brede contact Ben Lloyd at NBC to see if he would visit the site. Cllr. Ward will supply contact details.	DB SW
95.4	Ashmead. Cllr. Rockall had ascertained that there was someone interested in acquiring this piece of land and he had advised them to contact NBC with regard to this.	
95.5	LGPS Cessation. The Clerk had met with and had various discussions with a representative of the Local Government Pension Scheme. She had agreed to a cost of £500 for an actuary to perform a valuation and it was anticipated there would only be small further costs involved with regard to this cessation. On-going.	
96	Leisure and Recreation	
96.1	<ul> <li>The GSM reported:</li> <li>Bellinge Field is coming on very nicely and the volunteer group is making a real difference. An unintentional bonfire had taken place that day when wood placed on the site of a previous bonfire caught fire.</li> <li>The two new litter bins for Bellinge Field had been delivered and will be installed shortly.</li> <li>Topsoil placed at the bottom of Bellinge Field ready for bunding has been</li> </ul>	
	stolen.  > One of the benches at LB Pocket Park had been vandalised by being completed painted over. He will attempt to rectify.	
96.2	The following reports had been received from Michael Clasper regarding Little Billing Pocket Park:  ➤ There were volunteering sessions at Little Billing Pocket Park on Saturdays 11 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup> August. Three and five volunteers respectively picked and removed litter; mowed the orchard and picnic areas; strimmed the area north of the orchard and cleaned the footpaths with the blower.  ➤ Two volunteers attended the session at Little Billing Pocket Park last Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> September. The morning's activities centred on the planting of 500 native bluebell bulbs in the area north of the orchard. A limited amount of litter was also removed. The next session will take place on Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September.	

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<b>97</b> 97.1	Councillors Reports Not Covered Elsewhere  Cllr. Nash said he was delighted with the young people who were involved with Northampton in Bloom. Bellinge had been entered in East Midlands in Bloom but this had not yet been judged.	
97.2	Cllr. Ward reported that a lot of rubbish was being dumped in the Linear Park at the end of Millbank. He wondered if a portable CCTV camera could be obtained for use in situations like this. There are lots of overhanging branches that need to be removed and he has been promised this will be done in mid-September. He added that regular maintenance in the area is needed. Michelle said that she had discovered that some regular maintenance had been missed from the new NBC schedule and she will forward the email to Cllr. Ward.	MA
97.3	Cllr. Burbidge advised that lead was stolen from the roof of the church in mid- August. He is hopeful they will be allowed to replace with an alternative to lead.	
97.4	Cllr. Brede asked if the GSM could possibly renovate the other bench at LB Pocket Park when he attempts to remove the paint from the vandalised bench.	
97.5	Cllr. Rockall reported that the Elwes Arms has now raised sufficient money to purchase a defibrillator for the public house. Fundraising will continue, firstly for a defibrillator to be placed within the renovated red telephone box, and secondly for one to be sited outside the post office at Ecton Brook.	
97.6	Cllr. Rockall asked that thanks to the Clerk be minuted with regard to the completion of the external audit of the 2017/18 accounts with no issues arising.	
<b>98</b> 98.1	Date of Next Meeting and Closure  There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.35 pm.  Date of next meeting — 7.30 pm on Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2018 at the Bernard Weston Pavilion.	

### Report from Liz Newbery - NBC Neighbourhood Warden

Bellinge Community Day is being held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September and I hope that I and fellow team members will work on numerous Courts/hotspots in Bellinge following discussion and confirmation with Michelle to clear up, litter cleanse, tidy and cut back where required. The aim of this is not only to help significantly to clean up the area, but also to be a high visibility presence to residents across the area, and certainly during the event. I have also just arranged for a community clean up in Ecton Brook that I plan to do with the support of some of the residents on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October. All are encouraged and welcome to support – we will meet outside the post office at 10.00 am. Ecton Brook, along with numerous other areas have recently been dealing with rubbish and litter left on site following weekend football matches. I am looking to address this and will hopefully feedback at the next meeting. Usual work continues for me; more fixed penalty notices have been served and I shall endeavour to investigate any further issues that are brought to my attention.

#### Report from Michelle Aveyard – Bellinge Community House

Emma Hall is the new Housing Officer for Northampton Partnership Homes. Her email address is: <a href="mailto:EHall@northamptonpartnershiphomes.org.uk">EHall@northamptonpartnershiphomes.org.uk</a>

New Services: Counselling Services with new partner Sarah Agnes Foundation; Community Law – Fuel/energy checks, benefits and welfare advice, and debt management.

Meeting with Sarah (Ecton Brook Residents Association) and Liz Newbery (NBC Neighbourhood Warden) to look at 'Bloom 2019', social media and the positive progression in Ecton Brook.

Potential funding opportunity for Bloom 2019 – TBA. Scope out the opportunity to widen and strengthen the volunteer work in the parish for environmental projects.

Bellinge Gets Better 2018 – The young people from the 8-12 youth group were the winners of the "Gold Award" for under 16's, Northampton Partnership Homes gardening competition: Building the "Bug Hotel"

Planting a variety of spring flowering bulbs

Making 100 Poppies for the Northampton in Bloom Entry 2018 "commemoration of World War 1

2 coaches of residents (98 people) and families from all areas of the parish had a great day out by the seaside in Skegness. This is our third year of a community trip and we achieved representation from all four wards.

Community Day and NBC Street Clean planned for 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2018