



# 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 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2019  
AT THE BERNARD WESTON PAVILION, GREAT BILLING**

**PRESENT** Councillor J. Marlow (Chairman)  
Councillors Mrs S. Jordan, Mrs C. Worthington, D. Brede, R. Burbidge,  
J. Clements, A. Jones, D. Nash, M. Pearson, S. Rockall, S. Ward

**Also Present:** Mrs. S. Harris (Clerk to the Council)  
Paul Marks (Green Space Manager)  
Cllr. Andy Kilbride (NCC & NBC)  
Damian Lang (Parish Highway Warden)  
Liz Newbery (NBC Neighbourhood Warden)  
4 Parishioners

		<b>Action</b>
<b>112</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
112.1	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Mrs Kaur Chagger (ill).	
<b>113</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	
113.1	The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2019 (Folio Nos. 045/2019 – 050/2019) were approved and signed as a true record.	
<b>114</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	
114.1	There were none.	
<b>115</b>	<b>Public Forum</b>	
115.1	No-one wished to speak	
<b>116</b>	<b>Reports from Outside Agencies</b>	
116.1	Cllr. Andy Kilbride reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The new playground at what will be known as Pennycress Park has now been completed. New equipment at Helicopter Park should also be completed shortly.</li> <li>➤ A new footpath has been laid at Pennycress Place and the bushes have been cut back.</li> <li>➤ Bipin Brook will now be the new polling station for Ecton Brook Ward.</li> </ul>	
116.2	Damian Lang, Parish Highway Warden reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The recent heavy rain has caused a lot more potholes.</li> <li>➤ He has reported various streetlights not working, blocked drains and asked for leaves to be swept in Elwes Way and Church Walk.</li> </ul>	

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<b>116</b>	<b>Reports from Outside Agencies (Continued)</b>																																											
116.2	There is also an ongoing problem with dangerously overhanging shrubbery on the entrance/exit to Ecton Brook and the A4500. This has been reported by Damian and by Liz Newbery but so far nothing has been done.																																											
116.3	Liz Newbery, NBC Neighbourhood Warden reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ She is conducting a Safety and Environmental programme with Year 5 children at Ecton Brook School over six sessions. She had hoped the final session would consist of a visit to the Safety Centre at Milton Keynes and is in the process of attempting to obtain funding towards the cost of this. This item will be put on the agenda for the December meeting.</li> <li>➤ There are issues with car repairers in Bellinge.</li> </ul>	Clerk																																										
<b>117</b>	<b>Planning</b>																																											
117.1	<b>N/2019/1318</b> – Former Ecton Brook Care Home, Ecton Brook Road – Demolition of existing building and erection of 21 x new affordable homes (comprising 4 no 1-bed maisonettes, 8 no 2-bed houses and 9 no 3-bed houses) together with associated parking and landscaping. Although the Parish Council is, in principle, in favour of this planning application many concerns and queries had been raised by Councillors. The Clerk had written to Planning Department outlining these and asked for a meeting to discuss further. It may be that this application should be ‘called in’.																																											
117.2	The following determinations had been received from NBC: <p><b>N/2019/0900</b> – 1 Chantry Close, Great Billing – Construction of pitched roof wooden gazebo with 2no enclosed sides (half wood/half glazed panels) in rear garden. <b>APPROVED.</b></p> <p><b>N/2019/1040</b> – 6 Riverwell, Ecton Brook – Variation of Conditions 2 and 5 of Planning Permission N/2018/0013 (Ground and first floor side extension and conversion of garage to habitable room) to amend first floor layout and window alterations to first floor rear elevation (Retrospective). <b>APPROVED.</b></p> <p><b>N/2019/1181</b> – Oldways, 7 Elwes Way, Great Billing – Works to 9 trees in Conservation Area. <b>APPROVED.</b></p>																																											
<b>118</b>	<b>Finance</b>																																											
118.1	The list of Accounts for Approval for Payment had been forwarded to all members. RESOLVED that payment be made as per the following:																																											
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<b>120</b>	<b><i>Leisure and Recreation</i></b>	
120.1	The GSM reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ He has received about 450 very small trees and shrubs from the Woodland Trust which are being planted in pots. He cannot possibly use all of these so asked if anyone would like a small tree(s) to please contact him.</li> <li>➤ He has started the renovation of the old red telephone box.</li> <li>➤ The new defibrillator for Ecton Brook (courtesy of the Elwes Arms Charity Fund) has now been received and will be installed shortly.</li> </ul>	<b>ALL</b>
120.2	LB Pocket Park. The following report had been received from Michael Clasper: "There was a volunteering session at Little Billing Pocket Park on Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November. Six volunteers collected and removed litter; blew the footpaths clear of fallen leaves, and moved most the large woodpile north of the orchard to a site on the other side of the main footpath. This job will be completed next month".	
<b>121</b>	<b><i>Councillors Reports Not Covered Elsewhere</i></b>	
121.1	Cllr. Nash advised all present of the various activities at Bellinge Community House over the next couple of months. The Clerk will forward a copy of this to all members.	<b>Clerk</b>
121.2	Cllr. Pearson asked if the following two items could be added to the agenda for the December meeting: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The possibility of installing an additional light halfway up the driveway to the playing fields.</li> <li>2. To make a decision on whether a bench should be installed on The Leys, and if so, where this should be placed.</li> </ol>	<b>Clerk</b>
121.3	Cllr. Burbidge thanked all those who attended the Remembrance Service at the War Memorial the previous day and said he was pleased to see so many attending.	
121.4	Cllr. Clements said it would appear that Light No 93 has still not been attended to.	<b>Clerk</b>
121.5	Cllr. Mrs Jordan reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ecton Brook Residents Association would like to extend their thanks to Cllr. Mrs Worthington for her gift of pansies.</li> <li>➤ There will be a table top sale at Bipin Brook on 29<sup>th</sup> November.</li> <li>➤ There has been a lot of incidences of anti-social by youths in Ecton Brook, and she was disgusted to advise that this included the killing of birds.</li> </ul>	
121.6	Cllr. Brede said storm drains in Little Billing appear to be blocked and he will be reporting this.	
121.7	The Chairman reported that he was pleased to attend a short ceremony at the War Memorial in Great Billing on Saturday when the Billing Utd U9 football team and their opponents held a Remembrance Service.	
<b>122</b>	<b><i>Date of Next Meeting and Closure</i></b>	
122.1	There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.05 pm Next Meetings: Budget Meeting – 7.00 pm Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2019 PC Meeting – 7.30 pm Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2019 Both at the Bernard Weston Pavilion, Great Billing.	