

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF BUCKLAND BREWER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON**  
**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020 AT 7:30pm**  
**(MEETING HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM)**

**Members Present:** Mrs Barbara Babb, Mr Andrew Hewitt, Mr George Heywood, Mr Richard Hooper, Mr Jim Lowe, Mr Trevor Mills and Frits Takken

**Also in attendance:** 4 members of the public

**Parish Clerk:** Mr P Blossie

<b>KEY: Actions are shown in bold</b> <b>blue type</b> <b>Decisions are shown in bold red type</b>
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*Before the meeting started the Clerk informed members that he had received the resignation of Councillor Bob Wilson and that he would no longer be attending any council meetings.*

**304. Apologies for Absence**      Cllr Barry Parsons (DCC), Cllr Phil Pennington (TDC) and David Watson

**305. Declarations of Interest**      Trevor Mills in respect of both planning applications. It was agreed that Trevor could offer information relevant to the items but not take part in any voting.

**306. Public Participation**      None

**307. Planning:**

- a. Application: 1/0950/2020/FUL, Oak Farm, Conversion of agricultural buildings to form a one-bed annex for a dependent relative (Affecting a Public Right of Way)      Jim Lowe proposed, Richard Hooper seconded to support the application and this was **agreed unanimously.**
- b. Application: 1/1065/2020/FUL, Land at Cleave, Erection of two timber cabins for holiday accommodation (Affecting a Public Right of Way)      Martin Caddy, the Highways Officer, had stated that he had no concerns about access to the footpath. Jim Lowe proposed and Richard Hooper seconded to support the application and this was **agreed unanimously.**

*A number of urgent issues had arisen that were not on the published agenda. The Chair agreed that these should be dealt with immediately.*

- 1. Grant to Torridge Voluntary Cars**      Jim Lowe said that in light of this week's announcement about the roll-out of Covid vaccinations, the Parish Council should offer to support the provision of transport for the over 80s and vulnerable residents. He had discussed the matter with Torridge Volunteer Cars. The cost of each trip to Bideford Medical Centre is £7.90. Each person would require two visits. The cost to the Parish Council could be in the region of £100 to £200. **It was agreed that the Parish Council**

would enter into an agreement with TVC for the transportation of eligible residents and that they would invoice the Parish Council at a later date. It was agreed that identifying eligible residents could be left to the discretion of TVC.

2. **Street Naming, 5 dwellings off Tower Hill** The Clerk reported that the developers were still refusing to accept Capern Close (or anything similar) as a road name. **It was agreed that the Clerk should ask for the matter to be referred to the Community and Resources Committee of Torridge Council.**
3. **Avian Flu** Richard Hooper had inspected the chickens at the allotments and reported that they still had access to an outside run. **It was agreed that the Clerk would discuss the issue further with the allotment holder but that if that were unsuccessful the matter should be referred to DCC Trading Standards.**
4. **Southwood Meadows Planning Development** Jim Lowe reported that the development plot was now on the market for sale but that, as far as he was aware, the owner still had no developer interested in the site.
5. **Thornhillhead Notice Board** Frits reported that Mark West had offered to repair/improve the parish notice board at Thornhillhead.
6. **Use of the Chapel for future meetings** Jim Lowe reported that work on the chapel was almost complete and that it would make a good venue for future parish council meetings. **The Clerk will contact them to try to pre-book the venue, Covid-19 restrictions permitting.**

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:00 pm**

**Dates of Future Meetings:**

Personnel Sub-Committee, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021 (7:30pm, via Zoom)

Parish Council (Budget and Precept Setting), Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 (7:30pm, remotely via Zoom)

Parish Council, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 (7:30pm, remotely via Zoom)

**Signed as a true record:**

**Chairman:** ..... **Date:** .....