

BRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

ON 3RD OCTOBER 2024

Cr. V Griffiths	Cr. L Johnston
Cr. I Chilvers	Cr. J Chilvers
Cr. B Cook	Cr. C Dawson
Cr. M Bontoft	Cr. H Jessop
Cr. T Hilton	Cr. S Milnes
Cr. D Backhouse	
Mrs J Knowles – Clerk	

CHARGEPAYERS ISSUES

There were no chargepayers present at this meeting.

217.24 APOLOGIES

Cr. J Wells had sent his apologies – these were accepted.

218.24 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

To receive and disclose interest in matters to be considered at the meeting – in accordance with the National Code of Local Government Conduct. The Register of Members Interests was available throughout the meeting – in accordance with the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

219.24 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th September 2024 were agreed and signed as a true record.

220.24 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from last month's minutes.

221.24 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cr. Mark Crane report on issues in connection with Brayton:

- It now appears that the land behind the Poplars Estate is not to be a playing area like residents believed it was – but will now be a pond. Residents are displeased with this, as were told otherwise when purchasing one of these homes.
- Residents have been complaining about works starting on the Mill Lane site before Planning Permission has been granted, apparently an archaeological dig has been taking place and roman pottery found.
- The old Selby District Council Local Plan is continuing but Government figures show there will not be enough houses or Travellers sites contained in this plan. North Yorkshire Council need a 5 year plan. Members discussed the need for a 'strategic gap' between Thorpe Willoughby and Brayton.

222.24 CLERKS REPORT

Litter Competition Fiona Kearns had submitted a piece into the Selby Times with the winners designs. The prizes have been awarded and plastic, weather proof posters made to be displayed around the Parish.

Goalposts The Clerk has found a second hand supplier of metal goalposts at a cost of £300 plus £80 fitting. This had been discussed and agreed at previous meeting and all Members were in agreement with these costs.

Myrtle Avenue Land The owners of the land at the corner of Mount Grove and Myrtle Avenue is still a mystery. Members agreed that £39.90 can be spend on a Land Registry Search to find the legal owner.

Brayton Canal After agreeing at the last meeting, the Clerk has ordered two bins to be installed by the Canal Bridge – one dog and one litter. The Canal & River Trust will be contacted for their permission. Members discussed a camper van parking near the canal overnight – Members will obtain the registration of this vehicle.

Trees Two Planning Applications have been submitted for works to be completed on trees at the Foxhill Lane junction with the A19 and land to the rear of Baffam Court on Brayton Lane.

Christmas We have been contacted by the PTA at Brayton Primary School requesting we hold our light ‘switch on’ at the same time they are holding their Fair. It will be on Friday 29th November and they will use both School Halls so there will be no crowding as in previous years. The lights will go on at approximately 5:30pm

Moat Way A resident from the flats on Moat Way contacted the Council to complain about a skip which had been in the highway for several weeks, the skip has now been removed but the resident is stating this property are now selling cars. Cr. Crane has dealt with this property before and advised that the Police are contacted if problems are occurring.

Remembrance Day Brayton School have invited all Members of the Parish Council to their service on 11th November on the Village Green (weather permitting). A wreath has been ordered for this occasion.

Police The local Police will be holding a ‘drop in’ meeting at Brayton Methodist Chapel at 7pm on Friday 1st November. The Clerk will advertise this event.

Cherry Tree Close Sign A resident of Cherry Tree Close reported the street sign broken in January 2024. This sign has still not been replaced, despite regular contact with Highways. The Business Support Department have now given a date for installation of w/c 7/10/24 They have chased up this sign numerous times but there has been delay due to the merge with NYC, the signs were previously installed by their contractors but now the service has come back in-house and this has caused some delays with various issues. Thankfully the Resident who brought this to our attention has seen the funny side of this year long problem.

Baffam Lane We have been advised of a closure on Baffam Lane for carriageway repairs from 8am to 4pm on Friday 11th October and signs have been erected today. This stretch of road is outside St Marys School so will cause issues for parents parking at school times.

Cr. I Chilvers had submitted a map of the new solar farm site near Barlow for Members to view.

223.24 COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk and Cr. C Dawson will be meeting the Management of the Centre on 22nd October for an update.

The Clerk showed Members photographs of the new youth room/meeting room which was the old changing rooms which is now complete. There is lots of interest in renting this space through week also, the main meeting room has been named as the Carling Suite by Brayton Players after donating a sum of £500 to the Centre. The Youth Club continues to thrive with a total of 62 users at last weeks group, the Club is currently costing £240 per week but they have three large funding bids in to help with theses costs.

The Clerk was invited to a ‘Community Connector’ event regarding funding options last week – there is a surprising percentage of children in the Brayton area who are on free school meals or/and have no access to

a lap top or wifi. Several funding organisations have shared their remits with the Clerk, in case we need funds at a later date.

The Dog signs at the Centre were discussed at length – Cr. M Bontoft wished to state she was still against dogs being on the field at all, but the majority agreed it is impossible to police so the ‘clear up after your dog’ signs are seen as sufficient at the moment.

224.24 BURIAL BOARD

Cr. C Dawson reported that the next meeting of the Burial Board will take place on 15th October. She also showed Members a copy of their Accounts and shows balances of £68,000 as of July. The Brayton Parish Council precept cheque of £3449.14 was sent on 11th July but is not showing on these accounts and has not been cashed through the HSBC.

225.24 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Friends of Brayton Barff An email had been received from FOBB regarding the Noticeboard repairs. As at the last meeting, Members had offered to purchase a new Noticeboard of a more robust nature. The email states: Thank you so much for that kind thought. Sometime ago we approached Yorkshire Water with a noticeboard design not too dissimilar from BPC noticeboards around Brayton. They bluntly told us that the design would not be in keeping with Yorkshire Water sites and Brayton Barff. So we covertly went away and bought a wooden noticeboard to the value of over 1000 pounds. So the noticeboard we have is less than 2years old. I think that no matter what design or construction it would be open to social abuse on the Barff. So I think we have to keep the current board. May I humbly suggest that if I get it repaired out of my own pocket and submit repair receipts to you would this be at all possible? ‘ Members agreed to pay for the repairs at a cost of approximately £50
- b) Longmans Hill School A request for funding has been received: ‘I wonder if you are able to help as I know we have had support from you in the past. As with most schools nationally, we are in a funding crisis with deficits budgets. We are trying very hard to be self-sufficient by raising funds where we can and this year we have set out a calendar of fundraising events to try to fill the coffers a little. We are desperate for new ipads in school. The ones we have (x20) are almost 10 years old and will no longer run many of the apps we use daily in school. Last summer, our Y4 children even had to try and complete the national multiplication test on old laptops, using keyboards to answer questions in the 6 seconds allowed per question, as the ipads would not run the software required. We are therefore aiming to raise £6000 this year to replace the 20 ipads with new models. As I say, we have lots of things planned ourselves including discos, fairs, Monday Bundays, fun runs, movie nights, sleepovers and more! However, I am writing to see whether there is any funding available to schools from the Parish Council to fund such things? I would be very appreciative of any support that could be offered but also understand that budgets are stretched everywhere, and you will have lots of community things requiring / asking for financial help’. Members discussed this issue and agreed that the Council cannot support one school and not the other 3. The Clerk will let them know this decision and offer alternative sources of funding i.e. Tesco or Drax Power Station.
- c) Selby Town Council Nature Recovery Action Plan.
- d) Our Zero Selby Information on this project. Our Zero Selby is a project that aims to reduce Selby's carbon emissions through a community-led approach, emphasizing health and well-being and I'm reaching out to explore potential collaboration opportunities.
We believe there are several ways in which we could work together to benefit Brayton Parish Council and its residents, including:
 - Tree Planting and Wildflower Planting: Initiatives to enhance local biodiversity and green spaces.
 - Composting for Residents: Promoting sustainable waste management practices.

- Craftivism Sessions: Engaging residents in gentle activism through crafts, fostering a positive approach to addressing climate change.
- Biodiversity and Nature Recovery Plans: Supporting your efforts to develop a parish-scale nature recovery plan and enhance biodiversity.

At the recent Spring Get Together Event, many residents from Brayton expressed an interest in contributing to making Brayton a more biodiverse and sustainable place to live. I have several ideas on how we can add value to your ongoing efforts and would love the opportunity to discuss these with you in more detail.

Members discussed both of these projects and the Clerk will arrange a meeting to obtain further information and hopefully a visit to a future Parish Council meeting.

212.24 PLANNING

No applications have been received since the last meeting.

Application granted

Outline application with all matters reserved except for means of access for the development of three detached houses and garages on land off evergreen way.

The North Yorkshire Council Planning Committee meeting will next be held on 9th October – only applications from Ryther and Newton Kyme are on this agenda.

227.24 FINANCE

Bank Charges	16.00
EE – phone & broadband	54.99
Acorn Festive Lighting - repairs to 'Kids Comps'	1595.34
Tiger Print - copies of Litter Designs	30.00
Amazon - Vouchers for Litter Competition	80.00
HAGS SMP - Play area inspection	90.00
Land Registry - land off Myrtle Avenue/Mount Grove	39.90
Royal British Legion - Poppy Wreath	30.49
HMRC - Tax & NI contributions	333.80
J Knowles – Wage	1554.05
North Yorkshire Council - Dropped Kerbs	3250.00
Acorn Festive Lighting - new tree lights	3980.64
Village Orderly - litter picking September	324.00
YLCA - finance training	26.30

These payments of expenditure were considered, agreed and signed as correct.

Payments in:

NYC - second half of precept	+£38000.00
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The balances currently held are now £146,605.64

A letter has been received from the Finance Department at North Yorkshire Council regarding the setting of the precept for 2025/26. Our request needs to be submitted by 31st December 2024 and they will send the

details of percentage rises by the end of October. Therefore we will hold the Finance Meeting after the November Meeting of the Council.

228.24 MINOR ISSUES AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA, INCLUDING MEETINGS ATTENDED RELEVANT TO BRAYTON.

Cr. H Jessop reported that there was damage to the footpath next to where the new dropped kerbs at St Wilfrids had been installed, with some flagstones loose. The Clerk will contact Highways for this to be repaired.

The various planters around the Parish were discussed, as they were mostly full of dead plants. The Soroptimists had previously planted these, the Chairman will ask if they have more plans – otherwise the Clerk will arrange them to be replanted.

Cr. L Johnston requested that the funding for the lighting outside St Wilfrids Church over Christmas was on the agenda for next month's finance meeting. The Chairman reported that the cost of this would be approximately £200 as they are all now LED lights.

Cr. Bontoft reported that the bus shelter at the corner of Foxhill Lane was covered in weeds and hedging from the neighbouring field. The Clerk will contact Passenger Transport who own this shelter to make them aware.

229.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2024 AT 7.00PM. FOLLOWED BY THE FINANCE MEETING.

230.24 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 8:05pm