

Brassington Parish Council

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**Minutes of the Brassington Parish Council Meeting held on
Tuesday 6 January 2015 at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall, Brassington.**

Present: Cllr Horrocks (Chair); Cllr Brown (Vice Chair); Cllrs Allsop; Jackson; Wilson; Hampson; Cllr L Rose (DDDC); Cllr I Ratcliffe (DCC); 6 members of the public. Clerk: Mrs B Kirkham

Minute No	Item	Action
1/15/1	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Cllr Ede. Variation to the Order of Business Councillors agreed to move item 1/15/9 Planning further up the agenda, and to deal with items 1/15/6 i), 1/15/11 and 1/15/12 in a closed session.	
1/15/2	Declaration of Interests Cllr Hampson declared an interest in the Land Registry item.	
1/15/3	Public Speaking Public Speaking – A member of the public expressed concern about the proposed jewellery design centre	
1/15/4	Approval and Ratification of the previous Minutes After changing the word 'before' to 'at' in item 12/14/6 c) Parish Plan, the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 2 December 2015 were agreed as a true record, proposed by Cllr Brown seconded by Cllr Jackson.	
1/15/5	DCC Highway Matters a) <u>Speed Camera Results</u> – Cllr Wilson agreed to look at the original source data; Councillors were concerned about the volume of traffic. Cllr Ratcliffe thought a 20 mile zone through the village would be recommended and proposed meeting with Neil Bennett to discuss quality of life and safety issues. b) <u>Greenway Junction</u> – nothing further to report on this matter. c) <u>Gritting</u> – the grit bin had been moved from the bottom of the Church steps, a new site need to be considered.	RW
1/15/6	Parish Matters & Maintenance a) <u>Parish Council Communication</u> – nothing to report. b) <u>Wirksworth Dale Footpath</u> – nothing to report. c) <u>Parish Plan</u> – the draft consultation was being written and meeting would be held on the 19 January to look at the draft. d) <u>Cemetery Gate</u> – nothing to report. e) <u>Brassington Recreation Ground</u> – Cllr Brown reported that Severn Trent was not responding to his emails or phone calls. A member of the public commented that 2 parishioners had information about the drainage issue and may be able to help. Plans for the MUGGA were progressing well. f) <u>Update on proposed cycle path to High Peak Trail</u> – Item to go in Parish magazine. g) <u>Play Area</u> - The Council agreed that Cllr Hampson should order the picnic table and seats. h) <u>Emptying of Dog Bins</u> – Cllr Horrocks agreed to empty the dog bins which were no longer going to be serviced by the District Council.	CH PH

1/15/7	Consecration of Cemetery The Council unanimously agreed that the Diocese of Derby should consecrate a further section of Brassington Cemetery. The consecration was to take place on Tuesday 13 January at 2 pm. All Parish Councillors would be welcome to attend.	
1/15/8	Head of Terms After discussion, the Council agreed that small changes needed to be made to the wording of the document, after these changes had been made it was agreed that the document should be signed, proposed by Cllr Brown and seconded by Cllr Jackson. Councillor Horrocks explained that other parishes would also be signing a similar document.	
1/15/9	Planning <u>The following decisions had been received since the last meeting:</u> Agricultural Building to Dwelling – Barn adjacent Brookfields Farm, Nether Lane, Brassington – Granted prior approval Erection of 2 storey garages – The Old Malthouse, Well Street, Brassington – granted with conditions <u>The following applications required comment from the Parish Council:</u> Change of Use without compliance to condition 2 – Barn at Town Street, Brassington – The Council did not object to this application however, the Council was concerned that there was no adequate parking provision. Creation of Jewellery Design Centre – Land north of Knockdown Inn – after discussion, the Council agreed to object to this application. Change of Use & excavation of field – Stoneleigh, Hillside Lane, Brassington – The Council agreed to strongly support this application.	
1/15/10	Clerk's Report & Correspondence Councillor Jackson agreed to attend a meeting with Ashbourne Town Council to discuss the outcome of the District Council's Local Plan. The Clerk gave Councillors information on the forthcoming Parish Council elections on the 7 May, the elections would be publicised on the village notice boards.	RJ Clerk
	The Council then entered a closed session to discuss the following items:	
1/15/6	i) Land Registry Mr Ray Smith joined the meeting and updated the Council on his progress with regarding to registering certain areas of land around the village. The Council thanked Mr Smith for his work and unanimously agreed that he should continue to try and register all pieces of Parish Council land, the Council also agreed to pay any expenses which Mr Smith incurred doing this work.	
1/15/11	Clerk's Contract & Pay The Council agreed to sign the Clerk's Contract of Employment and agreed to a pay an increase .22p per hour to £10.26 as agreed in the national pay negotiations.	
1/15/12	Finance a) The Clerk produced an up to date financial statement. b) The Council agreed to make the following payments totalling £703.52: Came & Co (Hiscox) Insurance 333.36 HMRC 138.00 B Kirkham - Clerk's Salary 214.02 B Kirkham - Clerk's Expenses 18.14 c) After some careful consideration the Council agreed to set a	

	precept of £10,000 for the forthcoming year, proposed by Cllr Allsop and seconded by Cllr Brown. d) The Parish Council had received 3 insurance renewal quotes: Aviva £621.62 (LTA £590.54); Zurich £389.42 (LTA £372.99); Hiscox £350.90 (LTA £333.36). The Council agreed to accept the quote from Hiscox with an annual premium for the next 3 years of £333.36.	
1/15/13	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 3 February 2015 7.45pm, Brassington Village Hall Agenda items submitted to the Clerk by Friday 23 January 2015	

Signed

3 February 2015