Bratton Clovelly Parish Council

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# Minutes of Meeting 209 held on 8th February 2023

Time commenced: 7.30pm

Those present: Cllrs. McNelis, Gilbert, May, Bowyer, Braidwood WDB Cllr Southcott and WDB Cllr Mott

Mrs R Ward (Clerk)

Members of the public: 2

Cllr Mott explained that the band D council tax will most likely be rising next year but the increase is a low as possible. A full meeting of WDBC will take place on 22nd Feb to pass this. She reminded everyone that they will need photo Id to vote this year and that purdah begins on 23rd March 2023 for the election on 4th May 2023

1. Public Participation: A member of the public explained that there was a broken street light on her house which left a very dark area at night. She had reported it several times but was having no joy. The Clerk will report it to highways and try to get it sorted out,
2. Apologies: None
3. Declaration of Interest: Everyone reminded
4. Declaration of Interest: None
5. Agree and sign minutes: - from 11th January 2023 ***Agreed***
6. Planning

 6.1 None

 6.2 Other planning - None decision making

1. Finance:
	1. Financial report (Clerk – Not emailed round due to a technical error)
	2. To note payment of Clerk’s wages and HMRC Payments 4th Dec 2022 to 3rd Jan 2023 –£ 261.31 ***Approved***
2. Highways 20 mile an hour speed limits – It was felt that it is unlikely that this would be available to Bratton Clovelly as there have been no accident here. This item will be removed from the agenda.
3. PHMC report – Cllr Gilbert: the meeting due on 6th Feb was not quorate so did not take place, However, the Tavistock Times has written an article on BCPH’s warm space and wi-fi; there are lots of booking but the hall is urgently looking for volunteers; and there was a quiz night fundraiser for Roadford lake Rowing Club that was very successful
4. Defibrillator – Cllr May, has decided to keep the clerks log in, for ease. Training was discussed and it was agreed that the localities grant could fund it. Clerk to investigate and report back.
5. P3 – Cllrs Gilbert and Braidwood – Cllrs Gilbert and Braidwood met with Ros Davies and John Barker last week. Cllr Gilbert plans to hold a public meeting to explain what is needed and to encourage volunteers to help care for our 21 footpaths. Signage UK wide is being standardised so ours will be replaced and there are way markers available, should they be needed
6. Playground Report – see attached: it has been suggested that out old climbing frame is note a damaged as thought and is repairable, Cllr Bowyer is getting quotes. One has come back at between £4850 and £6300 depending on the materials used. She will get some other quotes. Someone was interested in buying it but that has been put on hold for the time being. Going forwards Cllr Bowyer will also price a regular maintenance contract for the equipment.

It was agreed that she should book an appointment with the RoSPA inspector at a cost of £42 plus VAT to get a better understanding of what is wrong and what needs to be done with the playground.

1. Correspondence – non decision making: none
2. Items for next agenda: It was stated that the PC is not planning anything for the Coronation
3. Other none decision making business: A parishioner has shown an interest in joining the PC. Clerk to ascertain eligibility and invite to next meeting
4. Date of next meeting: Full Parish Council Meeting 8th March 2023 at 7:30pm