



BRAMFORD PARISH COUNCIL



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Parish Council Meeting held Monday, 20th January 2025 commencing at 7pm at the Parish Room, Ship Lane, Bramford, to transact the business as set out in the Agenda below:

MINUTES

ATTENDEES: Cllr F Makhdum, Cllr M Brand, , Cllr S Coulson, Cllr I Dicker, Cllr J Gardiner, , Chair L Powell, Vice Chair C Reeve, Cllr C Welsby, Cllr C Wolton, District Cllr J Caston, Clerk & RFO J Every, 3 members of public.

1.	To receive and consider apologies for absences <i>Cllr Ayriss, Cllr Haigh, Cllr Welsby, C Cllr Chambers</i>
2.	To receive members declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest. <i>Cllr Coulson regarding Item 13 Cemetery Expansion.</i>
3.	To consider any requests for dispensations received <i>None received.</i>
4.	To note the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 18 th November 2024 and to agree that delegated authority be given to the Chair to sign the minutes outside of the meeting. <i>Cllr Gardiner proposed to agree, Cllr Coulson seconded.</i> To note the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting 8 th January 2025, and to agree that delegated authority be given to the Chair to sign the minutes outside of the meeting. <i>Cllr Dicker proposed to agree, Cllr Brand seconded.</i>
5.	Public Forum: Councillors to receive questions from the public with regards to items on the agenda. <i>One resident asked for update on the Fisons matter Item 10. D Cllr Caton updated meeting.</i>
6.	To receive reports from : <ul style="list-style-type: none">• County Councillor C Chambers – Absent, report distributed to members and published on website.• District Council J Caston – <i>Reported distributed to members and published on website. D Cllr Caston discuss his thoughts on the devolution plans. Members thanked D Cllr Caston for all his work on behalf of Bramford and the Parish Council.</i>
7.	To received report from Committees and relevant groups: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Bramford Playing Field - <i>Cllr Gardiner updated on the progress of the pathway, members will be discussed final access further.</i>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Loraine Victory Hall – <i>Cllr Wolton reported very busy and running well</i> 3. Bramford Open Spaces representative - <i>Cllr Dicker, Gipping Valley Trust visited area, some fly tipping in car park been found, footpaths work await scheduling, 3 additional bench requests.</i> 4. Footpaths Warden - <i>Cllr Welsby absent. Chair updated regarding the Jubilee Field footpath.</i> 5. Communication Lead- <i>Cllr Coulson discussed with members what they wish to be included in next newsletter, which included Loraine Victory Hall promoting new warm ... session, the proposed new hub at St Mary’s Virgin church, the Loraine ..Trust update on the grant available, the additional new speed cameras, raise aware of parking issues in Bramford, save the date for Bramford Fun Day and Summer Flower show.</i> 6. Tree Warden - <i>Cllr Dicker, final planting of tree at Bramford Lawn Cemetery undertaken, additional mulch mats needed. Two trees in the Orchard that have died, will be replaced, with attached posts.</i> 7. Allotment Warden – <i>Cllr Gardiner updated regarding the rat issue, treating them has improved situation, but may need further attention. 3 x people are on waiting list for plots.</i> 8. Planning representative – <i>Cllr Wolton covered the Duckamere application response that was submitted. It is possible going to full panel consultation. EDF updated following meeting consultation, reporting there are many issues raised to consider.</i> 9. Loraine Eustace Broke Trust - <i>Vice Chair Reeve updated on applicants for the grant, x 3,would wish for the grants to reach further than Bramford</i> 10. Keep Bramford Tidy Warden - <i>Not present.</i>
u	<p>To note summary of correspondence received before the meeting and consider any action.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication received from Bramford and District Social Club requesting freedom of information request regarding Bramford Playingfield Field. (To agree response). – <i>Response sent.</i> • Resident issues with various pathways following walk along Papermill lane from Fisons, to Gables Corner. – <i>Discussed, to encourage reporting, resident has received response that this is not at present fulfilling requirement for attention.</i> • Resident report of broken glass etc on new pathway around Queen Elizabeth Way - <i>Members discussed issues , they consider this to be from the developers and probably considered hardcore.</i> • Resident report concerns of illegal parking bottom of Gippingstones Way. – <i>Chair updated regarding the application for yellow lines application (TPO) which should affect this area. Members discussed their concerns, it has been reported consistently, and to encourage reporting to community police.</i>
9.	<p>To receive update on the Bramford Offline Club from Cllr Makhdum – <i>Cllr Makhdum updated members, she will be meeting with Rev Falla, there will be fee of £30 to the Church for the hire, discussed what would be required, included books from the bank will be taken, requires some soft furnishings, refreshments, first session 30th January 6.30pm-8pm, all welcome. Cllr Makhdum proposed Bramford PC would support the £30 rent for x 4 meetings, Vice Cllr Reeve seconded.</i></p>
10.	<p>To discuss Fison security concerns. – <i>Chair Powell reported he wrote to various personnel regarding the issues, discussed the responses, which included Community Officer PC K Jarrett which involved completing a questionnaire in response. Bron Curtis from MSDC responded, acknowledging the issues raised. Reminding the Council that Police should also receive notification of issues. Tim Passmore’s office responded. Chair will continue with further communication. Cllr Wolton suggested they request information on what security they may install during the sale process in next communication.</i></p>

11.	To further discuss Playingfield Car Park – Purchase from Cemex at budget of £54,000. <i>Chair discussed with members that following TEAMS call between Cemex representative, and Bramford Parish Council representatives, Chair Powell, Vice Chair Reeve and Cllr Haigh, they did not agree any negotiation rental figure request by Cemex. Chair Powell discussed consideration on possible value of land. Chair Powell proposed to make an offer figure of £54,000 to purchase land , with consideration that they include the additional legal cost in conveyancing. To also reiterate that there is a gas main running under car park, and within a flood zone, Cllr Gardiner seconded, all in favour.</i>
12.	To discuss – change of timetabled April meeting. – <i>Members discussed, agreed to move to Wednesday, 23rd April 2025, Vice Chair Reeve proposed, Cllr Wolton seconded.</i>
13.	To discuss Cemetery expansion. – <i>Cllr Coulson discussed on necessary change of use application. .</i>
14.	To discuss - Bramford Lawn Cemetery – plaques for new benches. <i>Members discussed, await final text when application form and information will be drafted.</i>
15.	To discuss – placing “no parking” in car park at end of Gippingstones Road – <i>Vice Chair Reeve discussed request from resident – issue regarding refuse lorries parking restricting access for residents connected to car park. Consideration to be given to request marked out area. Chair Powell reported hedges have been maintained this week, suggests bins might be placed in dedicated parking space on collection day.</i>
16.	To note any updates on the Action Plan and agree any further actions.
17.	<p>Planning Decisions: To note determinations by the Local Planning Authority (MSDC) Council to note the following determinations made by MSDC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC/24/04484 - Householder application - Erection of part single part two storey rear extension. 21 Ship Lane, Bramford, Ipswich, Suffolk IP8 4AN – GRANTED. • DC/24/04390 - Application for Listed Building Consent - Replace existing entry door to timber french windows on east facade The Gables, Bramford Road, Bramford, Ipswich Suffolk IP8 4AX - GRANTED. • DC/24/05199 - Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/21/04711 - Condition 11 (Surface Water Drainage Strategy) Location: Land North Of Tye Lane, Bramford, Suffolk, - APPROVED. • DC/24/04933 - Approval of details reserved by Requirement 35 Amendments - Amendments to Approved Details Report - Additional Temporary Storage Areas to approved details pursuant to The East Anglia THREE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2017 Location: The East Anglia THREE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2017 <p><i>Noted.</i></p>
18.	<p>To consider and agree Council comments on applications made to the Local Planning Authority (MSDC) (please note: in planning matters the Council acts as the consultee of the Principal Authority. The Principal Authority being the deciding body):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC/24/05088 - Full Planning Application - Erection of 6No dwellings and garaging. Location: Clarice House, Bramford Road, Bramford, Ipswich Suffolk IP8 4AZ – DEADLINE 12TH DECEMBER 2024 – EXTENDED TO 27TH JANUARY 2025 – Members discussed – Cllr Wolton raised number of issues that need to be raised, was agreed to draft response. • DC/24/05090 - Planning Application. Construction, operation and maintenance of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) with associated infrastructure and works including highway access, landscaping and biodiversity enhancements. Location: Land Adjacent To Bullen Lane, Bramford, IP8 4JN – DEADLINE 16TH DECEMBER

	<p>2025 – EXTENDED TO 22ND JANUARY 2025. – <i>Cllr Wolton discussed with members the concerns, was agreed to draft response.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC/24/05227 - Application Reference S73 for the Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of DC/22/04798 dated 29/11/2022 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) -To vary Condition 2 (Approved Plans and Documents) Erection of office building Use Class B1(a) with altered access and car parking. To allow amended office design as per revised plans. Location: 8 Loraine Way, Bramford, Ipswich, Suffolk IP8 4JR – DEADLINE 20TH DECEMBER 2024 – EXTENDED TO 21ST JANUARY 2025 – <i>Members discussed, Cllr Wolton will draft response.</i> • DC/25/05371 - Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/21/04711 - Condition 16 (Construction Traffic Management Plan) Location: Land North Of Tye Lane, Bramford, Suffolk, - DEADLINE 30TH DECEMBER 2024, EXTENDED TO 27TH JANUARY 2025. – <i>Cllr Wolton discussed with members, considers this to be acceptable. No objection.</i> • DC/25/00074 - Application for works to trees protected by Tree Preservation Order ES5/G1 - Crown reduce 3No Oak trees by up to 3m to allow light to properties. Location: 112 The Street, Bramford, Ipswich, Suffolk IP8 4ED – DEADLINE 30TH JANUARY 2025. – <i>Cllr Wolton and Cllr Dicker discussed with members, to include comment that work undertaken should be of no more than 3 meters to agree a professional tree surgeon undertakes work, and to follow the protocols in avoiding the nesting season.</i>
19.	<p>Finance: All relevant papers provided:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To approve the January finance reports and agree that delegated authority be given to the Chairman, to sign these outside of the meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank Reconciliation <i>Members discussed, Cllr Brand proposed, Cllr Gardiner seconded to approve.</i> 2. To approve December & January payments schedule . <i>Cllr Brand proposed, Cllr Akmal Makhdum seconded to approve.</i> 3. To discuss and agree Precept figure for year 2025-26 for submission to MSDC by 31st January 2025. <i>Members discussed, Chair Powell proposed 2.5% increase bringing Precept to £92,955 , Cllr Wolton seconded, all in favour. Chair and Clerk to sign form and submit to MSDC by 31st January 2025.</i>
.	<p>Date of next meeting: Members are asked to note that the next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for 17th February 2025 @ 7.00pm at the Parish Room, Ship Lane, Bramford.</p> <p><i>Meeting closed 9.15pm.</i></p>