**GREAT BRADLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th May 2006 in the Village Hall

**Present**:

Councillors A W Knight, R Sylvester-Bradley, K Bareham, M More, G Brown, A Smith, S Kiddy and Clerk Mr J Barnett. There were no members of the public present.

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| **Item** |  | **Action** |
| 1 | **Election of Chairman:**  Councillor Knight was proposed by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor More. All approved |  |
| 2 | **Signing of the declaration of acceptance of office of Chairman:**  Councillor Knight signed the declaration |  |
| 3 | **Election to other offices:**   1. vice-chairman - Councillor Sylvester-Bradley was proposed by Councillor Knight and seconded by Councillor Brown - all approved 2. footpaths - Councillor More was proposed by Councillor Knight and seconded by Councillor Sylvester-Bradley - all approved 3. SALC representative - it was agreed the Clerk would continue to represent the Council at SALC meetings 4. Age Concern - Councillor Smith was proposed by Councillor Knight and seconded by Councillor Bareham - all approved. Councillor Smith said that she had heard nothing from Age Concern in the past year - she will contact them at a later meeting. 5. Transport - Councillor Brown said that she had held this post in the past but had received little information. Clerk to pass all bus route/timing changes to Councillor Brown | AS  Clerk |
| 4 | **Apologies for absence:**  None |  |
| 5 | **Councillors Declarations of Interest in any item on the agenda:**  None |  |
| 6 | **Minutes of the last meeting:**  The minutes of the extra ordinary Village Meeting on 15th March and the meetings of the Parish Council on 22nd of March and 25th April 2006 were approved and signed |  |
| 7 | **Matters arising from the minutes:**   1. Councillor Sylvester-Bradley said that he had agreed with the contractor the amount of mulching required and he will check the estimates given | RSB |
| 8 | **Planning applications:**  None |  |
| 9 | **Correspondence:**   1. Grant aid is again available from Suffolk County Council through the P3 scheme. Councillor More offered to check the footpaths for this 2. SALC consultation received "Delivering Change 2006-2011" - it was agreed the Clerk would respond to this on behalf of the Council 3. Neighbourhood policing revised boundaries - consultation. The Parish Council was concerned that the village would lose the personal contact with a dedicated individual officer who knows the area/village. This to be communicated to the police. 4. Parish Council web site of the year - Councillor Sylvester-Bradley will discuss the proposal to put forward the Great Bradley web site 5. Invitation to workshops on a revised planning system for the future from St Edmundsbury Borough Council - no one wished to attend this | Clerk  Clerk  RSB |
| 10 | **Support for village organisations:**  After much discussion on this Councillor Sylvester-Bradley proposed that in principle the Parish Council will support the Village Hall but not directly other organisations at this time. This was approved. Councillor Knight asked that the thanks of the Parish Council should go to Councillor Sylvester-Bradley for all his work on this |  |
| 11 | **Provision of a litter bin beside the new seat on Clarendale:**  Councillor Kiddy proposed that this should be postponed to see if there is a need for this after the placement of the new seat. This was agreed |  |
| 12 | **What's the Parish Council for?:**  After considerable discussion it was agreed that a small working group consisting of Councillors Knight, Sylvester-Bradley and Kiddy would fine tune this document and forward it to Councillor Brown for inclusion in the Bugle | AWK/RSB  SK |
| 13 | **Stopcock covers in highways:**  There are two damaged and/or broken stopcock covers at the junction of the B1061 with Evergreen Lane. Highways have passed information to Anglian Water. |  |
| 14 | **Clarendale pavements:**  Councillor Smith said that some of the pavements in Clarendale were not included in the recent resurfacing programme and remain dangerous to pedestrians. It was agreed to ask Highways when this was to be done. | Clerk |
| 15 | **Recreation area:**  The information had been covered in the earlier Village meeting. Councillor Bareham offered to move the old goalposts that are causing a nuisance for the grass cutting contractor | KB |
| 16 | **Preliminary accounts 2005/6:**  Councillor Brown asked if the millennium oak tablet should be increased in the asset register as the lettering had been donated. Clerk to increase the cost to £200 | Clerk |
| 12 | **Accounts for payment:**  Six cheques were proposed for payment by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Smith - **approved** | Clerk |
| 13 | **Matters for consideration for the next meeting:**  None |  |
| 14 | **Dates of next meetings:**  Wednesday 21st June 2006, Wednesday 23rd August 2006 |  |

There being no further business the Chairman thanked the Councillors and declared the meeting closed at 10.30pm