

BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 1st November 2018

MINUTES

1. **Chairman's welcome:** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. **Present:** Councillor C Wild-Chairman; Councillor L Picton; Councillor E Brayne; Councillor J Brayne; Councillor S Hawksworth; Councillor C Bonsey and Apologies were received from Councillor S Mason, Councillor R Purslow and Councillor J Healey.
Also, present were L Pardoe clerk to the council, Mathew Mead from Shropshire Council and one member of the public
3. **Mathew Mead from Shropshire Council to speak on Community Led Plans.** The Chairman explained the reasons why the development at Berrington Meadows was granted permission. This was due to Shropshire Council not having a five-year land supply which had led to the site in Crosshouses becoming a "Windfall site", At the time Berrington Parish and Crosshouses were designated as "Open Countryside" and not due for any development apart from barn conversions, Affordable housing and single site exception properties.

Shropshire Council must have 1430 applications completed per year in the new Local Plan.

Mathew explained that a Neighbourhood Plan is a Statutory tool which sits alongside the Local Plan. With a Neighbourhood Plan the parish has to accept at least the development highlighted in the emerging Local Development Plan or even more development. It is a document which clearly states what and where development is to take place. The Parish/Town Council cannot deliver less than what is stated in the Local Neighbourhood Plan. **It is not a document to prevent development in the parish.**

Community Led Plans are an extremely valuable tool in that they give the Parish/Town Council a clear indication of what the local people do want in their area. A Community Led Plan is a document which sits alongside the existing planning documents and may be taken into consideration by the local planning authorities. Community Led Plans are initiatives led by local people planning for the future of their village, parish or neighbourhood. They do this by producing a common vision of how their community should look or develop in the future and working together to achieve this through the statutory planning system and/or other means.

The Parish Council had agreed at the May Council meeting that it would go ahead with a Community Led Plan as there was no desire for any further large developments in the Parish.

Mathew would assist the Parish Council in the process of compiling the Community Led Plan and as a start it was agreed that the Parish Council would have an open day at the Community Centre in the New Year. This was provisionally put at 2nd February subject to the room being available. It was agreed that there may need to be other events in other parts of the parish, to ensure that all sections of the community were engaged with this project. It was also suggested that the Youth Club could be a very useful conduit to ascertain the desires of the younger members of the parish.

This would be advertised in The Village Pump and also on the Community Facebook page

4. **Public session.** The member of the public did not wish to speak at this point of the meeting.
5. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests.** There were none at this point

- 6. Confirmation and Acceptance of the minutes from 4th October 2018;** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting; proposed by Councillor C Bonsey; seconded by Councillor J Brayne and agreed by all members present.
- 7. Matters arising: clerk to report on matters not covered on the agenda**
- 8. Police Report:**
- Council to receive bi-monthly report from PC Walton; This would be sent to members when it was received by the clerk.
- 9. Highway Matters**
- i. Councillor C Bonsey reported that the Allotment wall was not looking good on the inside of the Wall. Large Lorries from the Quarry often use this road and this is exacerbating the problem.
 - ii. Councillor S Hawksworth reported that a member of the public had been walking their dog on a long lead and allowing it to foul on people's gardens on High Cross Avenue. The excrement had in some case been cleaned up but clearly this is unacceptable behaviour even if they are cleaning up after their dogs.
 - iii. Councillor Wild reported that she had been approached at another meeting about a Street light on Noel Hill Road outside 135 & 136. A couple of residents wanted the light to be kept on all night to protect their property and vehicles. The clerk explained that she had been in touch with the Street Lighting department at Shropshire Council and was told that. *The purpose of these street lights are to ensure the safe lighting of the highway when they are needed for people walking on the footpaths and driving on the roads and not for lighting individuals driveways as a security measure.* The Parish Council agreed unanimously that all their street lights would remain as part night lighting, staying lit until midnight.

10. Planning;

Previous applications:

Reference: 18/00111/FUL: Proposed Poultry Unit at Bettonfield Farm, Betton Strange, Shrewsbury. Awaiting decision

Reference: 18/03493/FUL: The Owl Barn, Cantlop, Shrewsbury SY5 6HQ; awaiting decision

Reference: 18/03492/LBC: The Owl Barn, Cantlop, Shrewsbury SY5 6HQ: awaiting decision

Reference: 18/03885/FUL (validated: 30/08/2018): awaiting decision

Reference: 18/03989/FUL: Proposed Barn Conversions at Betton Alkmere Farm, Betton Strange. awaiting decision

Reference: 18/03990/LBC (validated: 13/09/2018): Proposed Barn Conversions at Betton Alkmere Farm, Betton Strange, Shrewsbury, Shropshire awaiting decision

Reference: 18/04077/PMBPA: Grove Barn, The Grove, Pitchford Road, Condover awaiting decision

Council to consider new applications. There were no new applications at the time of the meeting.

11. Finance

- i. Council to receive Bank Reconciliation for the month end October 2018; It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor L Picton; seconded by Councillor J Brayne and agreed by all members present.
- ii. Council to pay agree and pay accounts as presented by the clerk. List to be circulated to members before the meeting. It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk.

1184	RBL	Poppies for Lampposts	33.00
1185	Came & Co	Insurance	1146.98
1186	L Pardoe	Sal diff & Exp	92.61
S/O	L Pardoe	Salary	358.21
1187	Shropshire Council	Energy	100.94
		Total	1731.74

Proposed by Councillor L Picton and seconded by Councillor J Brayne.

- iii. It was agreed to donate £100 to the Youth Club to assist in the costs for the Christmas Party which would be on 19th December at the Community Centre and open to all in the parish, as the Halloween Party had been. This was proposed by Councillor C Wild; seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all members present.

12. Play Area Matters:

Councillor J Brayne to report on Youth Club Activities

- They had had a very successful Halloween Party on 31st October which was enjoyed by all who attended.
- The Parish Council offered a Vote of Thanks to all those volunteers who had made the Party such a success.

Councillor E Brayne to report on Play Areas.

- Colin Morris from National Trust had ramped the entrance to the field to assist the drainage problems there.
- Councillor Brayne was going to ask him to lengthen the drainage in the field.
- Councillor Brayne said that there had always been cracks on the Playing field and since the drainage was improved there had been more cracks. There would always be cracks particularly after such a dry summer.

13. Correspondence: This was noted.

14. Parish Matters:

- Councillor C Bonsey reported that a gabion had been cut and a single scull removed from by the Bus Stop. The clerk to contact Shaun Bott and see if he was able to look at this and make the wire safe.
- Councillor S Hawksworth thanked Councillor E Brayne for speaking at the Planning Committee meeting at the Shirehall on behalf of the Parish Council.
- Councillor C Wild spoke on the bad state of repair of the Allotment Wall and would look at if it would be possible for this to be part of the improvements on the road to Atcham.

15. The clerk left the meeting during the following item.

- 16. Council to consider the clerks application for increase on salary pay scale and additional hours.** The Council agreed to the addition of an extra 2 hours a week and an increase on the pay scale; Proposed by Councillor C Wild seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all member present.

- 17. Date and time of next meeting: It was agreed that this would be held on Thursday December 6th 2018 at the Community Centre starting at 7.00pm. There would only be the result of the Local Plan to be discussed at this meeting.**