

BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes September 11th 2014

- 1) Welcome by Chairman:** the Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
- 2) Present:** Councillor C Wild –Chairman Councillor H Roberts- Vice Chairman
Councillor S Mason Councillor R Ward Councillor R Purslow Councillor L Picton
Apologies were received from Councillor T Jones. These were accepted by the Council. Also present were David Fairclough Community Engagement Officer and L Pardoe clerk to the council.
- 3) Co-Option of new Councillors on to Berrington Parish Council. There are two vacancies on the council:** After Discussion it was agreed to co-op Claire Bonsey on to the parish Council to fill one of the vacancies.
- 4) Representations from members of the Public;** There were no members of the public present
- 5) David Fairclough from Shropshire Council to speak on Place Plan Review:** David spoke of the need to have the conversation with the residents to ascertain their priorities. The clerk was asked to ask Hayley Deighton how much the parish council could expect for CiL money from the proposed 39 dwellings which have been recommended for approval and are going to Planning Committee on Thursday 18th September. There are road safety concerns within the village for the children crossing and the desire to have the Road Crossing upgraded to a Pelican Crossing.
- 6) Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:** None at this point
- 7) Confirmation and acceptance of minutes from 11th July 2014** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Councillor R Ward; seconded by Councillor L Picton and agreed by all members.
- 8) Matters Arising:** It was reported that the National Trust have finally trimmed the trees and hedges which were causing concern. The clerk had received communication from a resident concerned over the dog mess on the playing area. The children are getting dog faeces on their shoes. The Parish Council discussed this. Shropshire Council can act but they need evidence of who is letting their dogs foul and not cleaning it up. If they know who is responsible and are able to get photographs or let the parish councillors or clerk know what is the time of day it is occurring then the dog warden can be on site to fine the offending owners. The Council is in talks with the possibility of getting cameras to monitor the situation.
- 9) Highways:**
- i) Council to consider response from M Davies re the upgrading of the Safety Crossing. It was agreed to resubmit as a site of community concern.
 - ii) Councillors to reports on Highways matters: there were no matters to report
- 10) Financial Matters:**

- i) Bank Reconciliation for Month End August 2014: It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk Proposed Councillor R Ward; Seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present.
- ii) Accounts for payment: - list to be circulated at the meeting. It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk Proposed Councillor R Ward; Seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present.
- iii) Council to consider and adopt the revised Financial Regulations. It was agreed to adopt the financial regulations as presented to the Parish Council. Proposed by Councillor R Purslow; seconded by Councillor H Roberts and agreed by all members present. These were signed by the Chairman.
- iv) Council to consider appointing D Malley to act as an agent for the Parish Council in dealing with the councils PAYE payments and obligations: The Council asked the clerk to look at using some free software to deal with the PAYE.
- v) It was agreed to sign up to Came & Co for a further three years at a premium of £1,111.75.

11) Planning Matters:-

i) Clerk to report on earlier applications:

- Reference:14/02406/OUT; Address; Proposed Residential Development South of Holcroft Way, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.
Proposal: Outline application for large scale mixed residential development to include means of access.1

*. The Parish Council does not support this application as Berrington is designated as Open Countryside and this is in conflict with that. A public meeting is to be held on Thursday 19th June for residents to meet and express their opinions and concerns.
Further details of objections to follow after the Public Meeting.*

Application Number 14/02406/OUT: Outline application for large scale mixed residential development to include means of access.

For full response please see July 2014 minutes.

- Reference:14/03225/FUL
Address; Land south of Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Proposal: Erection of 3 no. Dwellings with detached double garages;
alteration to existing access.

After discussion it was agreed:

The Parish Council does not support this application as Berrington is designated as Open Countryside and this is in conflict with that.

The Parish had several consultation events and unanimously agreed that the Parish should stay as Open Countryside. A recently held public meeting was unanimous in reinforcing that view.

However the Parish Council feel that if this application is recommended for approval that the applicant should pay for and install a Vehicle Activated 40mph Sign at the start of the 40mph zone, which would help reduce the speed of traffic entering the village before construction begins.

The public facilities which serve the community are at capacity with the local school being full and the public transport system which would be needed to transport any new children to schools in Shrewsbury is often full by the time it arrives in Crosshouses and does not even stop to pick up passengers. The 436 service is inadequate with no disabled access, this service is heavily subsidised and has been reduced and is at risk of further cuts in the current economic climate.

The first bus leaves at 8am and the last bus is at 8pm - Monday to Saturday, there are no buses on a Sunday. In the mornings and evenings the service runs hourly, during the middle of the day it is 2 hourly. This makes it very difficult for those who work shifts or work somewhere that is not directly on the bus route and have no transport of their own.

ii) Council to consider new applications: Councillor R Ward declared an interest in the following application and left the meeting at this point

- Reference:14/03430/out
Address: 9 & 10 Cantlop Road, Condover, Shrewsbury, SY5 7DB
Proposal: Outline application for the erection of 2 no replacement dwellings following the demolition of existing dwellings and associated outbuildings to include means of access and scale.
After discussion the Parish Council agreed to pass no comment on this application.
Councillor R Ward was then asked to re-enter the meeting.
- Reference; 14/03446/FUL
Address: Disused Airfield, Condover, Shrewsbury, Shropshire
Installation and operation of a solar farm and associated infrastructure.
After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council supported this application.
- Reference; 14/03675/FUL
Address;40, Lower Cross, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, SY5 6JU
Proposal: Erection of single storey extension to side elevation for dedicated disabled facilities.
After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council supported this application.

iii) Council to consider any new applications received after 28th August 2014.

There were no new applications.

12) Correspondence Received: list was noted.

The Parish Council agreed to support the motion from Steve Shaw re the right for Parish Councils to sell electricity generated in local schemes.

The clerk was asked to see how much the charges would be to look into the grant applications for improvements at the Allotments.

13) Place Plan Review 2014/15 It was agreed for this to be an item on the agenda in October.

14) i) Council to consider supporting the proposal from Local Works to Patchway Town Council to give all Paris & Town Councils the right to sell electricity that they generate from any local schemes. The Parish Council agreed to support this.

ii) Council to consider letter of Community Benefit for application Reference: 14/03446/FUL for Solar Park at Condover disused Airfield. The Parish Council discussed the letter and agreed to accept the offer on Community Benefit as outlined in the letter.

15) Council to consider the Community Speed Watch and identify any roads causing concern within the Parish. The Parish Council agreed to register an interest in being part of this scheme and also the possibility of joining in with some other local parishes, i.e. Buildwas, Leighton & Eaton Constantine.

16) Parish Matters: *The clerk was asked to write to Joshua Mellor and see if they would be prepared to give the parish Council a quote for Solar Panels on the Community Centre roof.*

17) Date and Time of next Meeting– It was agreed that this would be on Thursday 9th October 2014 and The Community Centre starting at 7.30pm
The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45pm