

Minutes of the meeting of Barrow Parish Council held on Tuesday 21st September 2021 at 6.30pm at Willey Village Hall.

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No members of the public were present.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES:

No apologies were received.

3. TO RECORD THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Present Councillor Downes, Knott, Churchill, Hancox and Skinner also present Shropshire Councillor Thomas.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

None.

5. MINUTES:

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th July 2021. It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20th July 2021.

6. REPORT BY SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBER:

To receive a report from the Shropshire Council Member. Shropshire Councillor Thomas reported that the Buildwas Power Station Planning application has been approved. With additional funds promised for traffic calming and medical services. He met with Cabinet member Charmley responsible for highways to show and explain issues in his ward.

7. PLANNING

- a. **New applications to be considered.**
- b. **Applications since last meeting.**
- c. **Decisions:**
 - **21/01479/FUL Benthall Grange Benthall Lane Benthall Broseley.** Formation of new vehicular access. (No objection). Noted. **Grant Full Planning Permission.** Noted.
 - **21/02794/FUL Clementine Cottage 49 The Mines Broseley TF12 5QY.** Reinstatement of decking, garden and parking/turning area following previous slope stabilisation works. **Grant Full Planning Permission.** Noted.
- d. **Any other planning matters.** Enforcement matter reported. Noted.

8. FINANCE:

- a. **Invoices to pay.** It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoices:

- a.1. Mrs J Madeley £246.74 Chq 994
- a.2. HMRC PAYE £67.60 Chq 995
- a.3. Mrs J Madeley salary and expenses £279.09 Chq 996
- a.4. HMRC PAYE £67.60 Chq 997
- a.5. Nest Pension £23.66 x 2 DD
- a.6. Waterplus £19.69 Chq 998
- a.7. Shropshire Council £313.12 Chq 999
- a.8. E. on £51.55 chq 1000
- a.9. M Partridge chq 1001
- b. Bank reconciliation. Noted.
- c. Npower Business Solutions account. Npower do not appear to have closed the account and clerk keeps receiving statements but showing nothing to pay.
- d. Internal Audit Recommendations. All complete.

9. POLICE MATTERS:

- a. To receive any reports from the beat manager. Newsletter noted.
- b. Request for three top issues. Top three issues are Parking, speeding and rural crime.

10. PARISH ALLOTMENTS.

- a. Planning Application. The application has yet to be determined. However, the tree works need to be done as soon as possible. Date will be provided.
- b. Allotment Hedge quote. Two quotes have been received it was RESOLVED to accept the quote from treesolutionspro.

11. BARROW CHURCHYARD

- a. Barrow Churchyard management.
Clerk has not heard from the PCC or Vicar regarding the report. Clerk awaits
- b. Response from Shropshire Council.
Shropshire Council have inspected the graveyard (their responsibility) and are going to start to do some renovations identified in the report.

12. DEFBRILLATOR PROJECT.

- a. Location.
It was RESOLVED to accept the report from Chair that a trench be dug from the one house to the building and that the defibrillator will be installed on a free-standing stand. A qualified electrician will certify and install the defibrillator.
- b. Publicity.
Once the machine is installed the grant giver requires publicity.
- c. Consider more defibrillators.

13. HIGHWAYS

- a. Issues to be reported to Shropshire Council.
There are potholes in the area between 6 and 12 Bridge Road, the temporary fencing put in place because of the landslip appears to be no longer needed but is still in the highway at 45 The Mines (on Bridge Road). The hedge at 38 Bridge Road is encroaching onto the pavement. Clerk to report.
- b. Weight limit scheme. Clerk to ask Shropshire Councillor to arrange a meeting with road safety officer for the South of Shropshire.
- c. Damaged sign. Clerk to report damaged sign again.
- d. Speed. Clerk to ask for the meeting to include Speed through Benthall.

14. STREET LIGHTING

- a. Cost benefit analysis. Clerk to ask E. on why the lamps are set at the brightness they currently are.

15. SMARTWATER

All kits have been posted out. Some have been returned, however. Noted.

16. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS WHO HAVE ATTENDED OTHER RELEVANT MEETINGS.

- a. Any other meetings.
 - 1. Councillor Knott attended the meeting of SALC Bridgnorth and Shifnal Area committee where he listened to two presentations from Shropshire Council highways and West Midlands Ambulance Service. Highway's officer reported that the closure of the depots at Bridgnorth and Hodnet were on safety grounds and the service to the County will not be affected. It is hoped that an extra £60million will be made available for highways. This could rise to £120 million. The ambulance service reported the waiting times at a & e in September average 47 minutes. The proposed closure of the four depots will not have any detrimental effect on response times.
 - 2. Willey Village and District Village Hall committee met and can announce Wifi will be installed shortly. The Estate office now hold keys to the hall. Equipment has been PACT tested and Smartwater marked. There will be no inside events until 2022. A date for the carol service is to be decide there will be gluvine and mince pies.

17. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. RBLI preparation for Remembrance 2021. Noted.

18. DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING 16th November 2021. The meeting was declared closed at 9pm.