

**:MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BARROW PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT WILLEY VILLAGE HALL, WILLEY, ON  
THURSDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2017, AT 6.30 P.M.**

21. **PRESENT:** Councillors P. Knott (in the chair), Ms. A. Skinner, S. Churchill, P.M. Whiteman.
22. **APOLOGIES:** Councillor N.D. Downes (Chairman).
23. **IN ATTENDANCE:** The Clerk, Shropshire Councillor D. Turner and 3 members of the public.
24. **DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:**  
Councillor P.M. Whiteman duly completed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
25. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**  
A member of the public expressed his concerns regarding the speed of vehicles on Benthall Lane, he referred to recent accidents that had occurred due to the speed of vehicles. The Chairman explained that the Police had been made aware of the problems and had undertaken to carry out speed checks, but to date the Council had not received the results of the checks. Shropshire Councillor D. Turner stated that he would raise the matter at a future meeting with the Police and Shropshire Council.
26. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**  
No Declaration of Interest were received.
27. **MINUTES:**  
The Minutes of the Annual Meeting, Annual Parish Meeting, Planning Committee Meetings held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May and 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, copies of which had been distributed to Members, were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
28. **REPORT BY SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBER:**  
Shropshire Councillor D. Turner submitted his report a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of the Minutes. The headings were as follows:-
  1. WW1 Remembrance
  2. Car Parking
  3. Libraries
  4. Advice Surgery

With regard to Car Parking, Shropshire Councillor D. Turner indicated that the public consultation would take place towards the end of July and he urged everyone to make their views known to Shropshire Council.

Member pointed out that in Much Wenlock and Bridgnorth the first 15 minutes of parking was free and enabled motorists to do a quick visit to a shop or bank without incurring a charge and Members agreed that this should be retained and Shropshire Council be informed accordingly when the consultation commences.

**29. POLICE MATTERS:**

No reports received.

**30. REPORTS BY PARISH COUNCILLORS:**

The Chairman reported that 3 benches had been installed under the Folk and Gentry scheme. The Chairman expressed his thanks to the Downes family for all their help on this project.

A report from the Chairman indicated that he had attended 3 meetings of the Severn Gorge Countryside Trust, their annual open evening at Coalport Village Hall. He had also conducted an internal audit with another Trustee and chaired the June committee of management meeting.

**31. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PLANNING CONSULTATION:**

Members discussed the various options to viewing the plans and after careful consideration they would abandon the suggestion for a projector. Each Member would receive on line the Planning Application where they could view the plans and at the appropriate meeting it was agreed that paper plans would be requested from Shropshire Council at a cost of £15 per planning application.

**32. ALLOTMENTS:**

A report from the Chairman stated the he and Councillors P. Knott and Ms. A. Skinner had held a meeting at the allotments with tenants and people who had expressed an interest in having an allotment. The object of the meeting was to ascertain what they wanted from the allotments, how they should be kept and who should govern them. What by-laws might be imposed and to update the tenancy agreement. It was a very positive meeting and a further meeting would be held in August.

**33. PLANNING APPLICATION:**

Members considered the following planning application.

**17/02830/FUL** Erection of part singled storey/part two storey extension and retaining wall (retrospective) (amended scheme) at 63, Bridge Road, Benthall.

The Chairman reported that the original application had

considered and various alteration had been suggested. He indicated that all these had been addressed and as such no objections should be made to this application. Members agreed NO OBJECTION.

**34. GRANT AID:**

Members considered a grant to Barrow 1618 Free School for a defibrillator. The Chairman's written report stated that it would also be available for the general public. Members agreed a grant of £250 but required clarification that the defibrillator would be available to the general public at all times and therefore it would have to be sited outside of the school. The Clerk was asked to write and seek assurances on this matter and on receipt of the assurance the grant would be released.

**35. FINANCE:**

The Clerk presented the following accounts for approval and payment.

SALC	£ 6.40
Salary	£316.32
Petty Cash	£ 30.00
E.ON Energy Ltd.	£360.60
E.ON Energy Ltd.	£148.49
Willey Village Hall	£ 8.00
Npower	£353.27
P. Knott	£ 94.91

**RESOLVED** accordingly.

**Chairman**  
**14<sup>th</sup> September, 2017.**