

BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 3rd September 2020

MINUTES

Online

1. **Chairman's welcome** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and requested all members to introduce themselves and state if they had any Pecuniary Interests to declare for any items in the meeting.
2. **Present** Councillor C Wild-chairman Councillor R Purslow-vice chairman Councillor S Shedden Councillor C Bonsey Councillor L Picton Councillor S Mason Pardoe clerk to the council and one member of the public. Apologies were received from Councillor J Brayne who was unwell Councillor E Brayne who was looking after Councillor J Brayne and Councillor G Jones who was also unwell. These were accepted by the council.
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests** There were none declared at this point.
4. **Public session** the member of the public spoke on the Local Plan and expressed surprise that the Parish Council had not commented on its current status as Open Countryside being changed to that of a Community Hub.
5. **Council to agree the minutes from July 9th and August 6th 2020.**
These will be signed at the first public meeting held by the Parish Council after the relaxation of the Coronavirus lockdown rules.
It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meetings, proposed by Councillor R Purslow seconded by Councillor S Shedden and agreed by all members present.
6. **Planning matters**
 - Ref:20/02749/FYUL 14 Lower Cross, Crosshouses. SY5 6JU.This has now been granted permission.
7. **Highways matters.** Councillor R Purslow reported that the sign on the right hand side of the road into the village is missing. Councillor C Wild said that this matter was in hand. The hedges need cutting as they are causing problems with visibility. The clerk to write to the National Trust and request that the hedges be trimmed.
Councillor C Bonsey said that she hoped the roundabout exit from the new development would be addressed as it is difficult to see the traffic from the right for people coming out. Councillor C Bonsey asked why Crosshouses could not have the speed vehicles doing speed checks in the Village. Councillor S Shedden explained that Crosshouses was set up for a Community Speed Watch and that parishes could have one or the other but not both types of traffic monitoring. She said that she would speak to Mark Booth about the speeding issues. The Community Speedwatch was not able to be in action at the present time as there had to be three members to use the system and several members were no longer physically able to do this. More volunteers were needed to allow the checks to start again.
8. **Council to discuss details of Litter Pick.** It was agreed that this would be on Saturday 19th September. The clerk to get some more bin bags .Councillor R Purslow said that he had hand sanitiser for members of the litter pick to use. The council had warning signs to put out to warn motorists that the event was taking place.
9. **Financial matters**
 - Council to agree payment of invoices as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to pay the invoices as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor C Wild and seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.

Online	HMRC	PAYE	4.80
Online	Staff	wfha & Expenses	201.83
Online	Howdens	Community Centre Kitchen refurb	54.38
Online	Staff	Salary	550.52
		total	811.53

- Council to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk proposed by Councillor C Wild seconded by Councillor S Shedden and agreed by all members present.
 - Council to discuss new laptop for the clerk. After discussion it was agreed to give the clerk a budget of £600 to purchase a new laptop with the relevant virus software and Office 365 on it. Proposed by Councillor L Picton seconded by Councillor S Shedden and agreed by all members present.
- 10. Parish Matters.** Councillor S Shedden reported that the Silver Birch trees between 37 and 53 Lower Cross had a lot of branches and debris falling down in the recent high winds. Clerk to report to J Ingoldby at Shropshire Council.
Councillor R Purslow reported that the Community Centre was starting to take bookings and that Slimming World would be restarting again on 8th September 2020.
- 11. Youth Club Update:** The clerk had been on leave and had been unable to arrange a Zoom meeting with members of the Parish Council and Richard Parkes from Shropshire Youth Association. It was agreed to leave this for a while until Councillor Brayne was well again.
- 12. Date & time of next Council meeting.** It was agreed that this would take place via ZOOM on Thursday 1st October 2020 starting at 7.00pm
13. The Chairman thanked all for attending and the meeting closed at 7.45pm.

On 4th April 2020, the government brought The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020 into force to allow local authorities to conduct meetings remotely. Members of the public may access these meetings through the Zoom platform by sending an email to the Parish Clerk at berringtonpc@gmail.com stating their device type and whether they wish to contribute audibly or visually and audibly. In response the Parish Council will provide the Meeting ID, password, and the time of the meeting. This request must be with the clerk 36 hours before the meeting is due to start.

The rules for members of the public to speak will be the same as normal meetings, that is, during the opportunity to do so in the agenda item allotted for the purpose. Due to time limitations the speaker should limit their question/presentation to 3 minutes