

## BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015

### MINUTES

- 1) Welcome by Chairman:** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
- 2) Present:** Present: Councillor Apologies were received from Councillor L Picton who was working. Apologies were received from Councillor R Ward who was away.
- 3) Co-option of Parish Councillor:** Following the vote in September it was agreed to appoint K Fulton on to the Parish Council
- 4) Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office of by new Councillor:** Councillor K Fulton signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office in front of the clerk.
- 5) Declaration of Interest:** There were none at this point
- 6) Representative from Severn Trent** Richard Clough from Severn Trent spoke to the members on a problem that has been happening for 9-10 months now. Someone is putting large quantities of rag like material down the drains and this is causing the macerator to become clogged up 3 times a week. Whilst there has been no knock on effect to the residents up to now, Severn Trent are concerned that with the onset of winter that this may cause problems for everyone. It was suggested by the members that Severn Trent get the material analysed and if they know what exactly it is they may be able to help identify where the material has come from. It was agreed that there would be another article on this in the next Village Pump and that Richard would send some posters for the members to put up around the village and bring them matter to everyone's attention.
- 7) Public Session:** There were no members of the public present.
- 8) LJC:** Councillor C Wild reported that it was expected to have someone speak on broad band at the next LJC meeting. Anyone was welcome to attend.
- 9) Confirmation and acceptance of minutes from 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015:** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Councillor R Purslow; seconded by Councillor M Howorth and agreed by all members present.
- 10) Matters arising:** Clerk reported that she had received an e-mail from GEL who admitted that they were responsible for the Play Areas and thanking the Parish Council for highlighting their concerns on the state of the matting. This would be passed on to the Operations Manager for inspection. She had received a communication from Lightsource who were unable to recommend any local suppliers for Solar panels but they had directed her to a link where there were many local firms to choose from. Clerk to investigate further.
- 11) Highways:** Clerk reported that she had been copied into an e-mail from Joy Margerum at the Nation Trust about the setting of fires in the hollows of some of the Willows at the

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corner of Brompton Playing fields. She was highlighting the dangers of setting fires in trees and the damage they cause. Clerk to send e-mail to Councillor Picton for inclusion in the Village Pump.

It was reported that the hedge on the Crosshouses Berrington Road is badly overgrown and needs trimming back as a matter of some urgency. Clerk to contact Balfours who manage the estate on behalf of Charles Holcroft to request they deal with this matter.

The sign on the entrance to Crosshouses by Russell Place was demolished in an accident a little while ago. Clerk to request its replacement

On the entrance to Berrington the Slow Children sign is hanging off and needs replacing. Also members would request a similar sign at the other end of Berrington Village.

Councillor C Wild reported that she had received a phone call from a resident about a manhole being marked up for repairs opposite the Old Fox pub. There is also a dip in the road between the zebra crossing and the entrance to The Chestnuts which causes noise vibrations. She has reported this and Tim Sneddon from Shropshire Council has said that the works are to do with a BT cover. There is a section 81 raised for the work and they will see if they can do the dip in the road within the spate of the permit.

### **12) Financial Matters:**

i) Bank Reconciliation for Month End September. It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk; proposed by Councillor S Mason; seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present

ii) Accounts for payment: It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor S Mason; seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.

iii) Council to consider quotes for the trimming of trees on Community Centre Car park. After consideration it was agreed that the council would get RJD Tree surgery to sectional dismantle Ash tree and nearby sycamore to ground level . 25-30% crown reduction on remaining two sycamore trees. Crown lift and removal of ivy and any dead wood. All wood to be chipped and removed from site for £1360.00

iv) Council to consider quotes for the roof of the Community Centre. Councillor R Purslow reported that there had only been one contractor who had turned up for their appointments to look at the roof. Cooper & Williams Nothing needs doing although there is some lead mission from one area of the roof. It was on the whole in good condition. There were some minor repairs and they recommended that the roof be insulated from inside. However he was going to e-mail a quotation through to the clerk for replacing the roof. The clerk to chase the quote up.

It was agreed that Mr. A F Smith would be approached to replace the lead and repair the gully.

v) Council to consider whether to move forward with the destratification fans in the main hall of the Community Centre. It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay for the fans when the Community Centre Management Committee had decided what they were doing with the rooms and what they needed.

vi) It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay the cost of the external lighting which needed replacing on the outside of the Community Centre.

Councillor R Purslow would be meeting with Graham Jackson to look at the kitchen and what could be done to it.

### **13) Planning Matters:-**

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**Clerk to report on earlier applications :) Clerk to report on earlier applications:**

- Reference: 15/00159/FUL; Upper Brompton Farm, Brompton, Shrewsbury SY5 6LE  
**Pending Consideration**
- Reference:15/00539/OUT: Land adj to Holcroft Way, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, Shropshire **Permission Granted**
- Reference: 15/01735/FUL: Address: 14, Holcroft Way, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury. SY5 6LQ; **Permission Granted.**
- Reference: 15/01774/FUL: Proposed Residential Development Rear of the Bell Hotel,, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, SY5 6JJ  
**Application Refused.**
- Reference:15/03149/FUL: Barns 3&4 Berrington manor, Shrewsbury: **Pending consideration.**

**ii) Council to consider new applications:**

- Reference: 15/03535/FUL  
Address: The Wain House, Betton Strange, Shrewsbury. SY5 6HZ  
Proposal: Erection of single storey extension to form a utility room  
*After discussion it was agreed that Parish Council supported this application. Proposed by Councillor C Bonsey; seconded by Councillor K Fulton and agreed by all members present*
- Reference:15/03636/LBC  
Address: The Wain House, Betton Strange, Shrewsbury, SY5 6HZ  
Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension to form a utility room affecting a Grade II listed building.  
*After discussion it was agreed that Parish Council supported this application. Proposed by Councillor C Bonsey; seconded by Councillor K Fulton and agreed by all members present*

**iii)Consider any new applications received after 31<sup>st</sup> September 2015**

There were no new applications

**14) Correspondence Received: This was noted.**

**15) Parish Matters:** It was agreed that Councillors K Fulton , C Wild, & L Picton would meet with the clerk and look at alternatives for websites .

**16) Date and Time of next Meeting**–It was agreed that this would be on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at the Community Centre at 7.30pm. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.