

BAUGHURST PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 20 April 2017
7.30 pm, Heath End Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs M G Slafford (Chairman), C Curtis, C Grenville, F Langley, G Porter, P R S Postance, S E Terrett
Also present: Borough Councillor M Bound and 4 members of the public
Apologies for absence received from County Councillor W Lovegrove, Cllrs A Narracott, J Hewitt, P E Garrett, R T Ward
In attendance: Mrs P J Waterfield, Clerk

123. Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2017, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read.

124. Declarations of interest

Councillors were reminded that for those with any interest to be disclosed in relation to any item included in the agenda for this meeting, it was their duty to do so at the appropriate agenda item (as required to be disclosed by Section 96(1) of the LGA 1972, and in accordance with the Parish Councils Order 2001).

125. Matters arising

a) Speedwatch

Recent outings had netted fewer offenders, which is good news. A 2nd time offender had been identified as having made the first offence in another area, proving that cross-county policing is being carried out. Agreed that fliers should be distributed to the key areas (Heath End Road and Wolverton), where people are able to record offenders and submit them to the relevant authorities. Also agreed that these forms should be available from our website and via our Facebook page.

b) School Under the Pines

A planning application is expected imminently. Promoters are able to use the site for 28 days per year without planning approval, and if further use is made, a planning application is required. Articles left on site, however, (tents, chemical toilets etc) are a separate planning issue. BDBC officers to meet promoters during the following week. Local residents have formed an informal group protesting against the existence of the 'school', and were armed with evidence of alleged transgressions. Logs and photographic evidence were requested of use of the site. Parking, on land which is the responsibility of this Council, and where permission was granted for its use providing two spaces are left for other users, had allegedly been impossible. Visitors to the 'school' had blocked in the two spaces allocated.

c) Pinch points – Wolverton

A holding response had been received, with the promise of a more detailed communication at a later date.

d) Stoney Heath – traffic speeds

Rural Inspector Paul Pressley had attended the Annual Parish Meeting and had given an update on the situation.

e) Renewal of rental, SLR device

- o BDBC can currently only offer a Speed Indicator Device, showing the actual speed of vehicles. This would be dependent upon a firm commitment from several councils. They are seeking to update their equipment, and were awaiting Traffex 17 exhibition in April.
- o Both Chineham and Kingsclere councils had been contacted regarding the possible rental of their Speed Indicator Devices. Chineham have no further capacity to share.

f) Moles, Wolverton Field

6 mounds are still extant. Contractor advised that several moles had moved into the old runs, but he expected these to be caught quite quickly. He caught two several weeks previously.

126. **County, Borough, Police and BDAPTC reports**

a) Borough Councillor Bound reported that:

- BDBC are proposing an increase in the fine levels for fly tipping. These will range between £200-£400, with a levy of £250 if fines are paid promptly.

In response to a question from councillors regarding BDBC's provision of traveller sites, Borough Councillor Bound advised that they cannot commit to build the required number of sites identified in the Local Plan within 5 years, as this would be dependent upon the Borough finding a suitable developer and the time it would take to establish the housing estate. Under LP4, large developments are to include traveller sites on the periphery of these sites. There is currently a shortage of deliverable sites.

b) Police

01/04/2016 – 01/04/2017 – Yearly Police Report

for Tadley North, Baughurst and Sherborne St John, it also covers Monk Sherborne, Wootton St Lawrence.

Our current local community policing priorities are:-

- **Traffic related offences**
- **Dwelling burglaries**
- **Non dwelling burglaries (shed/garage/business addresses)**

Reported incidents between 1 April 2016 to 1 April 2017

126	Suspicious incidents - (from suspicious people to vehicles).
95	Assault (not necessarily physical, between partners)
60	Criminal damage incidents
40	Road traffic incidents
184	Anti-social behaviour incidents (environmental, between people known to each other, vehicle, groups of youths)
31	Public order
8	Dwelling breaks
41	Non dwelling breaks
12	Theft from vehicle
8	Theft of vehicle
34	Theft
8	Drugs
28	Driving complaint
4	Action fraud
1	Arson

Dwelling burglaries – Over March 2017

Between 1 March and 31 March there was 1 reported incident of attempt break in Baughurst.

28/02/17 – 01/03/17 Mornington Close, Baughurst – Resident at the address heard a noise during the night time, on checking the address in the morning a patio door and front door catch found damaged and loose.

Non dwelling burglaries – Over March 2017

Between 1st March and 31st March - 5 reported incidents of non-dwelling breaks in the area of Tadley, Baughurst and Sherborne St John.

On 02/03/17 between 13.45 – 19.00hrs, Birch Road, Tadley – Garage located in a block of garages broken into by cutting off the lock. At this time no reported items stolen.

Over 04/03/17 18.00hrs – 05/03/17 09.30hrs, Violet lane, Baughurst – Report of unknown offender gaining access to a small holding site and stealing a sledge hammer.

Over 10/03/17 14.00hrs – 12/03/17 17.00hrs, Priors Road, Tadley – Garage located in a block of garages broken into by cutting off the lock and forcing the door open. At this time no items reported stolen.

On 14/02/17 between 15.00 - 16.00hrs, Hazel Green, Baughurst – Persons unknown have forced entry to a garage located in a block of garages, a male's mountain bike was then stolen.

Over 17/03/17 17.00hrs – 20/03/17 - 9.30hrs, Vyne Road, Sherborne St John – A window was found open sometime over the weekend. No entry was gained to the premises but the offender left muddy footprints on a box underneath the window.

Traffic Related Offences –

Between 1 March and 31 March 1 driver was arrested for drink drive offences in the rural area.

- 1 vehicle showing no insurance, the driver was reported for the offence
- 1 vehicle showing no insurance, MOT or tax, the driver was reported for summons
- 1 driver issued with points and fine for using mobile phone while driving

- 25 - Incidents of driving complaints
- 22- Incidents of Road traffic Collisions

Baughurst Speed Watch team were out on the 07/03/2017 from 08.00 hours to 08.30 hours on Heath End Road in Baughurst

1 - 1st time offender, letter sent out

Baughurst Speed Watch team were out on the 08/03/2017 from 15.45 hours to 17.00 hours on Heath End Road in Baughurst.

3 - 1st time offenders, letter sent out

c) BDAPTC

Cllr Stalford reported that, in his capacity as Chair, he had joined an interview panel for a Deputy Chief Executive Officer for BDBC.

127. Open forum

Wolverton residents gave a brief resumé of the current situation in Sandford Woods, where the 'school under the pines' is in situ, and the problems facing local residents and other users of the woods. No planning application for change of use has yet been received by BDBC, and an officer will be meeting with the organisers of the 'school' during the coming week.

A Baughurst resident protested about the speed of traffic along Baughurst Road. He was invited to join Speedwatch in an effort to deter speeding traffic. This Council fought for 30 mph speed limits along all the major urban roads in Baughurst, but these need to be policed. He put forward ideas for a static speed limit reminder; speed humps and pinch points, but HCC would not consider the latter two ideas because it is a bus route.

Another resident asked for an update of the remedial surgery of trees on land owned by this Council. The immediate urgent surgery, including felling of trees, required by Health and Safety regulations and this Council's insurers, will be completed by the end of April. Further remedial pruning and cutting of ivy, identified as being required within 12 months, will be carried out within that timeframe. She also urged this Council to replant as a matter of necessity, to preserve the heritage of Baughurst.

Clerk advised that her annual appraisal had been carried out satisfactorily.

128. Planning

17/01126/HSE	Rose Cottage, Baughurst Road	Single storey rear extension following demolition of rear extensions	No objection
T/00090/17/TPO	6 Heathrow Copse	T1 oak – crown reduction of 1-2m to good growth point and deadwood	No objection
17/00737/HSE	109 Long Grove	Single storey front extension to include gated arch to form entrance to rear courtyard. Side and rear extensions. Detached rear garage and demolition of existing outbuilding	No objection
17/00886/HSE	Oakley Cottage, Haughurst Hill	Two storey extension to side of property, following demolition of existing single storey extension, with raised terrace	No objection
17/00893/FUL	Little Brook caravan, Pound Green	Dwelling with associated garage/home office building following removal of existing mobile home	Objection

b) decisions by BDBC

16/04326/FUL	41 Long Grove	Detached dwelling to side garden	Approved
16/04701/FUL	Land at West View Farm, Baughurst Road	2 dwellings with associated parking, turning, landscaping, private amenity space and creation of shared access point	Approved
17/00240/LDPO	Rose Cottage, Baughurst Road	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed erection of single storey rear extension	Refused

c) any matters arising

Land at Violet Lane – gypsy sites – following the local Hearing at BDBC earlier in the month, a response is to be made to the Appeal Inspector advising that, to the knowledge of this Council, no taxi-share service exists in the vicinity. In their opinion, access to the site for large caravans would also be problematic.

129. Finance

- a) The latest financial statement and signing of accounts for 2016/17 was approved.
- b) Renewal of annual subscription for Hampshire Association of Local Councils was approved at £419, plus £134 contribution to NALC.
- c) Clock – Heath End Hall – the extension to the small hall currently being built will hide the gable clock, donated by public subscription in memory of Cllr Bob O'Bea in 1997. Agreed that a local resident would be permitted to clean and restore the clock, and that it should be replaced in the gable end of the new extension, if the Hall

Committee are in agreement. A letter of thanks is to be sent to the Hall for their guardianship of both the clock and the Millennium tapestries.

- d) Clerk
- response to Pensions Regulator (mandatory pension scheme) was confirmed
 - Hampshire Pension Fund tri-annual increase – to receive information
- e) Maintenance contractor – annual indexation increase was approved
- f) Tadley Age Concern – grant aid of £150.00 was approved, under Section 137 of the LGA Act 1972, for the benefit of the area and its inhabitants
- g) Approval was given to reinvest half yearly precept

130. **Playing Fields and Open Spaces**

a) Bark chippings

Alternative quotation of £1497 + VAT was deferred.

- Moss clearance, Long Grove

Alternative quotation of £892 + VAT was deferred.

- Wolverton field car park

Quotation for patching of tarmac at a cost of £1672.80 was deferred.

- BDBC monthly inspection reports

Clerk now exports these to Excel and sends to contractor for information/guidance.

- Vitaplay- agreed that payments could be made monthly by direct debit

Play areas – other matters outstanding

- Dropped gate – Wolverton field – working party to be arranged in an effort to repair
 - Dogs – Wolverton field – signs had been ordered and installed
 - Rotten boards – multiplay unit – Vitaplay to be asked to repair at a cost of £200.00.
 - Leaning tree, The Withies – contractor to be asked to clear
- b) A walking group organised by Tadley Community Centre have included parking in Wolverton Play Area as a starting point for the walk. Clerk to write, reminding them of the need to ask this Council's permission before doing so.

131. **Highways and Rights of Way**

Eroded verge edges in Wolverton Common are to be reported to HCC.

132. **Annual Parish Meeting**

The meeting had been reasonably well attended, and three items were brought forward for attention. These included an overgrown gorse bush in Wolverton Road, the turning of dog fouling notices in Heath End Road to face pedestrians, and the interim parking of the Stagecoach Jazz 2 bus opposite 'The Cricketers' public house. All three are to be investigated.

132. **Accounts for payment**

Balance brought forward	£136,082
Interest	£3.10
Calleva fees	£73

February payments

Clerk	Salary and allowances April	987.84
Vitaplay	Playground inspection April	84 + 16.80
Regency	Payroll April	14.00 + 2.80
Southern Water	Pavilion	4.70
HCC	Pension – April	355.34
Inland Revenue	Tax and NI April	229.16
SEB	Pavilion	41.45
Vitaplay	Playground repairs	2125.44
Norton	Anti virus	49.99 + 10.00

Chris Martin	Newsletter delivery	120.00
HALC	Annual fees	419.00
NALC	Annual fees	134.00
Age Concern	Grant aid	150.00

Current account **1193.44**

Premier account **77152**

Petty Cash **224**

BDBC account **48618**

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Balance brought forward 127187

Add: balances R&P 55249

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122. Date of next and future meetings

The next meeting of BAUGHURST PARISH COUNCIL will be the Annual Meeting of Council, to be held on **Thursday 25 May 2017, 7.30 pm, Wolverton Village Hall.**