

BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Thursday 4th January 2018

MINUTES

1. **Chairman's welcome:** the chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. **Present:** Councillor C Wild- Chairman ;Councillor R Purslow-Vice-chairman; Councillor S Mason ; Councillor S Hawksworth ;Councillor L Picton ; Councillor E Brayne :Councillor J Brayne ; **Apologies** were received from Councillor C Bonsey and Councillor M Howorth. Also present were L Pardoe clerk to the meeting James Healey and members pf the public(please see signing in sheet)
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests:** There were none at this point
4. **Confirmation and Acceptance of the minutes from 2nd November 2017:** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Councillor R Purslow; seconded by Councillor L Picton and agreed by all members resent.
5. **Clerks report.** The clerk reported that she had attended a briefing session in November on the new Data Protection Act regulations coming into force this May. The Parish Council has to appoint a Data Protection Officer to comply with the rules and regulations. There are two options to date with two offers of becoming the DPO with various costs attached. Telford & Wrekin will do this for the Parish Council at a significant cost and the clerk had another offer to do the same job for a fraction of the cost. The members asked the clerk to clarify a few points with the second person and would look at appointing them in the near future.
6. **Public session: Standing Orders were lifted to allow members of the public to speak.** James Healy had set up a map projected on to the wall to explain to all those present where the land he was looking at trying access for a cycle path from Crosshouses to Weeping Cross. He asked the Parish Council for a further twelve months to continue his research into the project. He has spoken to some landowners and Mrs Gibbs is not interested in allowing any of his land for the project. Longnor Estate is not interested in allowing him access to their land as Mr Taylor has also declined to be part of the project.
There is another alternative to run the cycle path down the side of the A458.He will keep the parish council informed of his progress regularly.
He will also e-mail the map to the clerk for the council's records. The Chairman thanked him for his time and presentation and Mr. Healey then left the meeting.
A member of the public complained that recently her daughter had been left stranded when a bus had failed to turn up.
Another member of the public was very concerned that the diversional traffic particularly that of heavy vehicles was causing vibrations in their properties. They said that the speed watch team had very little impact and often received verbal abuse from drivers. They wanted to know if Crosshouses could have speed camera or chicanes to slow the traffic down. The chairman explained that the Parish Councils main priorities were slowing the traffic in the village and also to improve the road to Atcham. The clerk was asked to follow up with Jason Hughes to ask when the VAS would be moved to the new agreed siting. The clerk was asked for the speed data checks to be redone for up to date speeds.

It was explained that when the Fletcher Development Roundabout is put in the 30 mph and VAS will be moved further out of the village.

They also asked for some grit bins to be placed just past The Bell and on the Green.

Standing Orders were reinstated and the meeting continued.

7. **Police Report:** The clerk had received no report from the Police as it was early in the month but this would be forwarded to members when it was received.

8. **Council to review sites of Community Concern within the parish.**

It was agreed that these would be as follows: proposed by Councillor S Hawksworth seconded by Councillor C Wild and agreed by all members present.

- The State of the Allotments wall is of grave concern to residents and members.
- Speeding through the village of Crosshouses remains a grave concern to the residents and members.
- The Atcham road needs a speed reduction and some passing places.
- The disregard of many drivers for the pedestrians using the road crossing is of concern and the members would request that the crossing is upgraded to a Pelican Crossing
- Speeding on the Acton Burnell road Cantlop to the A458 is of concern to residents and members of the Parish Council

9. **Council members to review list of Place plan priorities within the parish. It was agreed that these would be as follows:**

Critical Strategic

Improvements to Road from Cross Houses to Atcham.

Extension of 30 and 40mph speed limits

Additional classroom for Condover School. Subject to a review of school catchment areas

Priority – Local Strategic

Upgrade the Zebra Crossing to a Pelican Crossing at Crosshouses.

Additional Vehicle Activated Speed Signs

Footpath/cycle path to Shrewsbury

Gateway entrance to the village

Allotment Education Project and Wall renewal

Key- Community

Extension to Community Centre Kitchen

Renewal of fencing around the Open Space

Improving parking in Noel Hill Road in conjunction with garage are improvements with Severnside

Improvements on the Allotments

Improvements to Brompton Playing Fields drainage

New Street Lights

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New village benches

10. **Council to consider and adopt Councillors/ Clerks Protocol.** It was agreed to adopt this and the Chairman signed the protocol at the meeting.

11. **Highway Matters**

- i. Councillor E Brayne reported that there was a large pothole on Fox Farm Bank

- ii. Councillor R Purslow reported there was a large pothole on the zebra crossing on the A458 Shrewsbury bound.
- iii. Councillor S Mason reported that there is a tree in the dip of the road to Fox Farm causing concern. Clerk asked to contact Steven Shields the tree officer to ask him to look at it for safety.
- iv. Councillor S Mason asked if we could have the recycling sign at The Bell removed as there is no recycling there now.

12. Planning

Previously considered applications:

- Reference: 17/03554/FUL;
 • Address: Royal Oak, Pitchford Road, Condover
 Proposal. Demolition of existing outbuildings; conversion of existing pair of dwellings into one dwelling with garage extension; erection of detached dwelling with garage and formation of new relocated site access. **Granted October 2017**
 - Reference;17/04112/PMBPA
 Address: Grove Barn, the Grove, Pitchford Road, Condover
 Proposal: Application for prior approval under part3, class MB of the Town * Country Planning (General permitted Development)(Amendment & Consequential provisions) (England) Order 2014 for the change of use from agricultural to residential use. **Refused 19 October 2017**
 - Reference: 17/04868/MAW (validated: 05/10/2017)
 Address: Bayston Hill Quarry, Sharpstones Lane, Bayston Hill, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 0QE
 Proposal: Extraction of sand and gravel, construction of screen bank, diversion of access to Bomere Farm and related engineering operations
 - Reference:17/05122/AGR
 Address: Cantlop Farm, Condover, Shrewsbury
 Proposal: Replacement Steel Framed Agricultural Building **Prior approval not required.**
- This is a scoping opinion and not for consultation at this point.**
- Reference:17/05036/SCR
 Address: Proposed Poultry Unit at Bettonfield Farm, Betton Strange, Shrewsbury
 Proposal; Screening opinion for the erection of a free range egg production unit, including silos, formation of a vehicular access and associated works

Council to consider new planning applications received after the Agenda has been published. There were no planning applications.

13. Finance

- i. Bank Reconciliation for the month end December 2017; it was agreed to accept the Bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk.
- ii. Accounts for payment; It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk; proposed by Councillor E Brayne seconded by Councillor S Hawksworth and agreed by all members present.

1129	E-on	Maintenance contract	345.29
1130	HMRC	PAYE	69.00
Standing Order	L Pardoe	Salary	358.21
1131	L Pardoe	exp	136.21
1127	SJF Printing	Pump printing	372.00
1128	SL Bott	Grasscutting	1976.00
		Total	3256.71

- iii. Council to agree precept for 2018/2019. After discussion it was agreed to set the precept at £10,871 which would have a 0% increase in the council tax on a band D property. This would be £27.00 per Band D property. ; proposed by Councillor E Brayne seconded by Councillor S Hawksworth and agreed by all members present

- iv. It was agreed to pay the balance owing to Mr. L Smith for the repairs to the fence of £1,750.00. Proposed by Councillor S Mason; seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.
- v. Council to look at renewing the grounds Maintenance Contract for three or five years at the same cost. It was agreed to give the contract to Shaun for five years at the same price of £900 for cut, trim, weed spray and hedge cutting both sides and top, £45 per cut. ; proposed by Councillor C Wild seconded by Councillor S Hawksworth and agreed by all members present
- vi. Council to agree to register with the ICO (Information Commissioners Office) for Data Protection at a cost of £35.00. It was agreed that the Parish Council should register with the ICO at a cost of £35.00; proposed by Councillor J Brayne seconded by Councillor L Picton and agreed by all members present
- vii. Council to agree to apply for additional Transparency Funding for the website. It was agreed that the clerk should reapply for transparency funding. ; proposed by Councillor R Purslow seconded by Councillor S Hawksworth and agreed by all members present
- viii. Council to consider purchase of new litter bins for the Play Area. It was agreed to purchase a steel litter bin and ask Shaun Bott to put it in place for the Parish Council. ; proposed by Councillor C Wild seconded by Councillor E Brayne and agreed by all members present

14. Youth Club Matters:

- Councillor J Brayne reported that there have been three meetings to date. The first meeting was attended by 18 children and 18 attended the Christmas party evening. The next meeting would be held on 17th January 2018.
- Councillor E Brayne reported that he had visited a site in Berrington and was impressed by the facilities there for day events. He was wondering if there was any possibility of holding Wide games there for the Youth Club. The clerk raised concerns over the insurance and said we would need to see a copy of their Public Liability Insurance.

15. Correspondence: This was noted. The clerk reported that she had received the resignation from Councillor M Howorth and that she would get a Notice of a Casual Vacancy up for the **Vacancy**. She was asked to notify James Healey of the vacancy as he had expressed an interest in coming on to the Parish Council.

16. Parish Matters: Councillor E Brayne reported that Bob Thurston from The National Trust wanted to attend the next Parish Council meeting to speak to members on public footpaths. Councillor Brayne reported that B Thurston would put the gate into the field at a cost of no more than £150.

Councillor S Hawksworth reported that the concrete bollard that was broken off had been taped back together. The clerk to contact Bromford Carinthia and ask them to remove the broken bollard as it was dangerous.

Councillor R Purslow asked if the clerk would be available to clerk the management committee meeting of the Community Centre in March.

Clerk to contact C Blower again about the King Street crossroads. The drain head is too high and the water cannot get into it to get away.

17. Date and time of next meeting: It was agreed that this should be held on Thursday 1st February 2018

18. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.50pm.