

**Minutes of Berrington Parish Council Meeting, held at Crosshouses  
Community Centre on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Present:** Cllrs Nick Biggs, Henry Carpenter, Geoffrey Jones, Susan Mason, Richard Purslow, Claire Wild (Chairman)

In attendance: 1 member of the public and Ian Cruise-Taylor, locum clerk

**13/22 Chairman's welcome** – the Chairman welcomed everyone and introduced the locum clerk

**14/22 Present and Apologies** – Cllrs Claire Bonsey, Stephanie Durkin, Sue Shedden

**15/22 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests** – there were no declarations of interest

**16/22 Council to agree the minutes of the May 2022 meeting** – Council unanimously approved the minutes of the May meeting

**17/22 Public session** – no comments made

**18/22 Police Report** - none

**19/22 Allotment Wall** – The Chairman reported that after investigations it was proposed to remove a tree to allow the wall to be rebuilt in its original course in accordance with the requirements of its historical listing. Council unanimously approved the costs to be incurred by the removal of the tree.

**20/22 Signalisation of the Crossing at Cross Houses** – The Chairman informed Council that the estimated cost of improving road safety by signalising the pedestrian crossing in Cross House was up to £60,000, which could be paid for from the Council's CIL funds. Council agreed that a feasibility study should be undertaken before a final decision was made.

**21/22 Berrington Meadows - Maintenance of open space areas** – It was reported that a contract had now been put in place by the developers which should lead to an improvement in maintenance

**22/22 Verge cutting along A458 to Church Lane** – It was proposed to arrange for the verge to be cut by Shrewsbury Town Council at £15 per cut. Unanimously agreed

**23/22 Damage to seating by bus shelter and playing fields damage** – it was agreed that the grounds maintenance contractor be asked to remove the remaining damaged seating, purchase a replacement padlock and chain for the playing field gates and advise on further preventative measures in conjunction with Cllrs Sue Mason and Richard Purslow.

**24/22 Clerks report to cover items not on the agenda** - none

**25/22 Highways matters**

Councillors noted the proposal to work with Shropshire Council to reduce the size of the triangle in Berrington village, make one-way and install kerbs. It was also agreed to invite the Village Hall to match fund up to £250 with the Parish Council to tidy up adjacent trees

## **26/22 Planning Matters**

### **1.Decisions**

None notified

### **2.New planning applications**

22/02350/OUT: Land At Bettonfield, Betton Strange, Cross Houses, Shropshire  
Proposal: Outline application (access for consideration) for the erection of one (agricultural workers) dwelling and associated works

Council determined unanimously to support the application

## **27/22 Financial Matters**

- a. Council to consider quotes for LED lights in the chapel and agreed next steps – Council unanimously approved the quotation by MC Electrical
- b. Council to agree payment of monthly invoices as presented by the Clerk – see Appendix A – unanimously approved, with the addition of:  
Payment to Helen Ball for covering May meeting - £68.75  
SYA youth activities contract for 22-23 - £2400  
SALC – annual subscription - £510.63  
DM Payroll Services - £95.00
- c. Council to accept the Monthly Bank Reconciliation as presented by the Clerk. – to be provided later

## **28/22 Parish matters- members** to report items not covered on the agenda

Council agreed that an email be sent to Bromford Housing in respect of maintenance of land at Highcross Avenue

***It is recommended that pursuant to Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and press should be excluded during discussions of Items 13, due to the likely disclosure of confidential information***

**29/22 Date & time of next Council meeting. Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**30/22 Council to consider and determine the appointment of a Locum Clerk –**

Council unanimously approved the appointment of Ian Cruise-Taylor as locum clerk for the period the Parish Clerk's sick leave, on the same terms as the Parish Clerk

**Signed - Ian Cruise-Taylor  
Locum Clerk**

**Appendix A revised****Known Payments:**

payments June 2022

<b>Creditor</b>	<b>method</b>	<b>amount</b>
E-ON	chq	£ 104.33
Water Plus	DD	£ 44.86
SJF Village Pump	chq	£ 286.00
SJF Community Led Plan	chq	£ 48.00
Shropshire Council	chq	£ 135.49
Clerks salary	SO	£ 526.74
Locum Clerk salary	chq	£ 477.74
HMRC	chq	£ 189.80
		£1,812.96