

# BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

## MINUTES

1. **Chairman's welcome** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. **Co-option of Councillor on to the Parish Council;** After discussion it was agreed to co-opt James Healey on to the Parish Council; Proposed by Councillor C Wild seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.  
*He was given a copy of the Berrington Code of Conduct, Clerk and Councillors Protocol and a copy of a Good Councillors Guide. He was also given a copy of Register of Interests which the clerk asked him to complete and return to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.*
3. **Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office.** Mr. J Healey signed the declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the members.
4. **Present:** Councillor C Wild - Chairman, Councillor R Purslow- Vice-chairman; Councillor S Hawksworth; Councillor E Brayne; Councillor J Brayne; Councillor C Bonsey; Councillor S Mason .Also present L Pardoe clerk to the council and two members of the public (see sheet attached to the minutes) and Apologies were received from Councillor L Picton who had work commitments.
5. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests:** Councillor R Purslow declared an interest in an item on agenda item 13 ii
6. **Confirmation and Acceptance of the minutes from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018;**It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting; Proposed by Councillor C Bonsey; seconded by councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present.
7. **Clerks report on matters not covered on the agenda from the last minutes.** All Matters were covered on the agenda.
8. **Public session:** Mr H Gibbs showed the plans for the proposed Poultry Unit at Bettonfield Farm. He explained that he had written to all those living in the vicinity of the proposal and had received no adverse comments to the application.
9. **Police Report:** The clerk had received no report and would forward it to members when it was received. PC D Walton had said that due to his work load he would only be producing a report bi-monthly from now on.
10. **Council to consider consultations from Shropshire Council.**
  - **Budget consultation**
  - **Early Help consultation**

After discussion it was agreed that the clerk would write to Shropshire Council and express the council's feelings that the consultations were not user friendly and hard to find and read. The Council requested that an Executive Summary be made available with the general points of the consultation that would be easier for people to read rather than have to read through reams of pages.
11. **Highway Matters**
  - i. Councillors to report on Highway matters

- ii. Councillor C Wild reported that Fletchers had kept their site clean and tidy during their operations. Bromford are in the process of putting in ground source heat pumps and have made a terrible mess of the verges. They are blocking up the drives of some residents. Some residents had received a letter on 25<sup>th</sup> Jan notifying them of the proposed work and others had not received any notification. Everyone has been disrupted and very upset. It was agreed for the clerk to write to the CEO and express these complaints to them.
- iii. Councillor E Brayne reported that Colin Blower was looking at the gulley on Noel Hill Road and will be getting the cement raised so the gulley will work properly.
- iv. Councillor E Brayne reported that Colin Blower will look at the drains at Brompton.
- v. Councillor C Wild reported that the problem with fallen trees and blocked drains at Fox Farm has been sorted out.
- vi. Councillor S Mason reported that the King Street Crossroads is still bad.
- vii. Councillor S Hawksworth reported that on the road from Atcham to Cronkhill there is a bad pothole which needs dealing with.

## 12. Planning: New Applications

Reference: 18/00111/FUL;

Address: Proposed Poultry Unit at Bettonfield Farm, Betton Strange, Shrewsbury

Proposal; Erection of one

Poultry unit (32,000 birds), associated feed bins, formation of a vehicular access and associated works

After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council fully support this application; proposed by Councillor S Mason; seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.

### Council to consider new planning applications received after the Agenda has been published

There were no new applications for consideration.

## 13. Finance

- i. Bank Reconciliation for the month end January 2018; 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 S Hawksworth; seconded by Councillor J Brayne and agreed by all members present.

|                | Payee          | Details       | Amount  |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------|
| 1133           | E-on           | Repair        | 100.14  |
| 1134           | SJF Design     | Pump printing | 304.00  |
| Standing Order | L Pardoe       | Salary        | 358.21  |
| 1135           | HMRC           | PAYE          | 34.60   |
| 1136           | L Pardoe       | Exp           | 37.91   |
| 1137           | L Pardoe       | Pump delivery | 20.00   |
| 1138           | BHP Heating    | Heating       | 65.00   |
| 1139           | RJP Decrationg | Decorating    | 175.00  |
| 1140           | Playsafety     | ROSPA         | 79.80   |
|                |                | total         | 1174.66 |
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- iii. Council to look at renewing the grounds Maintenance Contract for three or five years at the same cost. It was agreed to renew the Maintenance Contract with Shaun Bott for five years at the same cost as last year. Proposed by Councillor C Wild; seconded by Councillor S Mason and agreed by all members present.
- iv. Council to appoint B Malley as The Data Protection Officer to the Parish Council. The clerk had received a copy of the professional indemnity Insurance and also the certificate for being a Certified EU GDPR Foundation Practitioner. They had also

agreed to hold the price for three year. It was agreed to appoint Ben Malley as the Data Protection Officer. Proposed by Councillor R Purslow; seconded by Councillor S Hawksworth and agreed by all members present.

- v. Council to agree to continue anti-virus protection for the Laptop; after discussion it was agreed to continue using Windows 10 defender on the parish council laptop. This runs alongside Windows 10 and is continually updating and checking. Proposed by Councillor S Hawksworth seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.

#### 14. Youth Club Matters:

Councillor J Brayne reported that the Youth club now had 24 members, 16 boys and 8 girls. One of the volunteers had approached the local supermarkets and Tesco had given them a box of items which will take them through the year for various events.

Councillor C Wild reported that the netball club was open to all in the village. Councillor C Wild would like this to link in with the youth club and hopefully this would lead to more volunteers to assist with the Youth Club. It was agreed that Vanessa from Shropshire Youth would speak with Lisa who runs the netball and see what they were able to come up with. It was agreed that Councillor R Purslow would look at the costs of netball hoops for the next meeting.

Councillor E Brayne said that he would like to have more control of the children at Youth Club before he would consider taking them to Berrington Hall for Wide Games.

15. **Correspondence:** This was noted. A letter received by the clerk from Balfours was discussed re the proposal for a cycle path from Crosshouses to Weeping Cross.

#### 16. Parish Matters:

- Councillor J Healey reported that the National Trust woods where people walked with their dogs were being used by youths with bicycles and he was concerned that if the paths were damaged the National trust would stop people from having access to the Woods.
- Members requested that the clerk write to Fletcher Homes and say they appreciated the way they had kept the roads clean and clear during the construction so far. Members were keen to know if they would be able to have a tour of the site later when the weather is better and the nights are lighter.
- Councillor J Healey reported that he is looking at an alternative cycle path on the right hand side of the road on the other side of the hedge on outskirts of Crosshouses.
- Councillor E Brayne reported that B Thurston said he would put in a gate at the Playing field for February.
- Councillor E Brayne would then need 2 tons of dust to level the entrance to help alleviate the flooding problem that currently exists.
- It has been reported to the Parish Council that the owner of 42 The Chestnuts has allowed his holly hedge to overgrown and encroach on the footpath making it very difficult to walk past. Councillor Healey said he would speak to the owner and ask him to trim it please.
- Councillor C Wild reported that there had been 2 meetings with Severnside which had been cancelled.

17. **Date and time of next meeting:** It was agreed that this would be held on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018** at Crosshouses community Centre starting at 7.00pm.

18. **The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.10pm**