BPC0521 BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 24th May 2021

MINUTES

Starting at 7.00pm

- 1. Clerk's welcome the clerk welcomed all returning and new councillors to the meeting and invited all members to sign their DOA forms
- 2. Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office by ALL members following elections. This was done by all members in the presence of the clerk
- **3. Election of Chairman** Councillor R Purslow proposed Councillor C Wild for the office of Chair, this was seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all members present.
- 4. Chairman to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office. This was done in the presence of the council members.
- **5. Chairman's welcome** The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and asked that in line with the Covid regulations the meeting be kept as brief as possible.
- **6. Election of Vice- Chairman** Councillor C Wild Proposed Councillor R Purslow, this was seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all members present.
- Vice-chairman to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office. This was done in the presence
 of the council members.
- 8. Election of members to following:
 - a. SALC-Councillor C Bonsey
 - **b.** Planning Committee-Councillors H Carpenter, R Purslow, G Jones and S Shedden
 - c. Community Centre Management Committee-Councillors R Purslow, C Wild, S Mason
- 9. Present Councillor C Wild-Chairman, Councillor R Purslow-Vice-Chairman, Councillor C Bonsey, Councillor S Mason, Councillor S Shedden, Councillor G Jones, Councillor S Durkan, Councillor N Briggs, Councillor H Carpenter., Also present, L Pardoe clerk to the council and five members of the public. There were no apologies, all members were present.
- **10. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests.** Councillor C Wild declared an interest in planning application 21/01777/FUL
- 11. Public session. Standing Orders were suspended to allow the public to speak.
 - One member of the public stated that for the second year running the road between her and the Cookery School was flooded and she was cut of for 10 days. Councillor Wild explained that there is a problem with the drainage site which goes back to behind the playing field. A Large drain has been blocked, which the tenant farmer has been unblocking on the way to the river. Clerk to arrange for a drainage engineer to meet with the tenant farmer and the National Trust to look at the matter.
 - Russel Place footpath stops quite suddenly. Is it possible to have the footpath
 go around the corner? Councillor Wild said that the traffic calming initiatives
 will look at Russell Close to the end of the village. The Parish Council will
 invite a traffic engineer to a council meeting and get some input from him on
 the situation.
 - The same gentleman planted bubs last November and asked if it was
 possible to pretty up the verges a bit. Councillor Purslow explained that the
 Parish Council had been looking at getting the entrances to the village "gated
 "to assist in speed reductions
 - The same gentleman asked what the Parish Council was doing with the CIL monies. Councillor Wild responded by attempting to allay the misinformation

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that has been put about regarding the CIL money and the statement that the Parish Councils have not been claiming their share of CIL and thus giving it to Shropshire Council. It is paid over by SC with the Precept monies in April. Another member of the public replied with the question SO Parish Councils do not claim their share of CIL. Councillor Wild stated categorically NO we do not claim the money it is given to the Parish Council from the SC CIL Neighbourhood fund pot.

 A lady asked if the Parish Council had any power to rein in the comments of the Community Face book page as some of the comments were very upsetting. Councillor Wild explained that it was a Community Facebook page and run by a local resident so we had no power to do anything. Any Parish Council statements were made on the Parish Council website or in the Village Pump newsletter.

Standing Orders were reinstated at this point

- 12. Council to agree the minutes from March 2021. It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting Proposed by Councillor R Purslow, seconded by councillor S Shedden and agreed by all members present.
- 13. Clerk to report on matters arising not covered on the agenda The clerk reported that she had been in communication with SC, and GEL about the broken branches in the Chestnut tree on the green. She had received a communication from Stephen Shields and he was proposing putting a TPO on both of the large Chestnut trees as they were an important community feature, they were very large and magnificent, and he was concerned that the maintenance company would fell the trees rather than fulfil the programme of works which he had recommended that they carry out.

14. Planning matters

- Ref 20/04461/FUL Proposed barn conversion 66 Cantlop. Permission Refused 9th April2021
- Ref 20/04528/FUL The Mill, Berrington *Pending Consideration*
- Ref 21/00322/DIS Lower House Farm, Berrington Pending Consideration
- Reference: 21/00565/LBC (validated: 04/02/2021)
 Address: The Mill, Berrington Manor, Berrington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6HB
- Reference: 20/03554/FUL (validated: 16/09/2020) Boreton Farm, Boreton Permission refused 31 March 2021

New applications. Councillor Wild left the meeting at this point.

• Reference: 21/01777/FUL (validated: 28/04/2021)

Address: Haven brook, Mascott, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6EP

Proposal: Siting of 3no. garden room buildings following removal of 1no. outbuilding and refurbishment of an existing outbuilding for office use. To install additional tarmac area for car parking

After discussion it was agreed that he Parish Council fully supported this application so long as the pods remain in use for the intended our pose. Proposed by Councillor S Shedden, seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all members present. **Councillor Wild returned to the meeting at this point.**

15. Highways matters

- It was reported that in Noel Hill Road there are designated spaces for emergency vehicles and people are parking in them and the Emergency Vehicles are unable to turn around. There are NO PARKING signs there but people are ignoring them. Clerk to write to Severnside about this.
- Councillor Bonsey reported that Severn Trent had a series of leaks and were working to replace the fractured pipes.

16. Financial matters

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a) Council to agree payment of invoices as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to pay the invoices as presented by the clerk Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.

BGC	staff	salary	550.52
BGC	HMRC	PAYE	11.80
	HMRC	PAYE	-6.40
	staff	expenses	256.12
	SJF Printing	newsletter	252.00
	D Malley	payroll services	95.00
	National Trust	Rent	112.10
BGC	Mr Fire Safety	Fire saftey checks	150.00
BGC	staff	salary	550.52
BGC	SALC	Subscription fees	449.48
	total		2421.14

- b) Council to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.
- c) Council to agree Year End Accounts as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Year end Accounts as presented by the clerk Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.
- d) Council to receive Internal Audit Report It was agreed to receive the Internal Audit as presented by the clerk Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.
- e) Council to agree Section 1 of Annual Governance and Accountability Return-Accountability Statement 2020/2021. Members agreed Section 1 of Annual Governance and Accountability Statement 2020/2021 Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.
- f) Council to agree Section 2 of Annual Governance and Accountability Return Accounting Statements 2020/2021 Members agreed Section 2 of Annual Governance an Accountability Return Accounting Statements 2020/2021 Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor R Purslow and agreed by all members present.

17. Parish Matters.

- Councillor Purslow suggested that a group of members walk the villages and estates to note all the problems that need attention. Councillor C Bonsey suggested that this could be done when the Summer Litter Pick s done
- Councillor C Bonsey reported that the Allotments wall still needs work doing
 on it. Suggested that we get a Structural engineer to look at it. Clerk to look at
 quotes for the July meeting.
- Councillor Durkan had raised some money for some benches to be placed around the village for people to just sit and chat or rest. This is for all residents. It was suggested that she ask people for suggestions where they would like them to be placed.
- Councillor S Mason, Councillor R Purslow are having an opening for the new kitchen during the first weekend in July. It was suggested that this would be an ideal opportunity for people to suggest locations for the 4 benches.

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- Councillor Carpenter reported that the Community Led Plan probably needed revisiting after the summer holidays as people may well have changed their focus since the Coronavirus and lockdown has placed great changes upon us all.
- A member of the public asked if we could have recycling bins instead if the boxes. Councillor Wild explained that this would be happening in the near future.
- Councillor Wild explained that Councillors E & J Brayne had stepped down at the elections. Councillor E Brayne and J Brayne had put a great deal of effort into getting the Youth Club to be as successful as it had been. It was agreed to get a gift voucher for them as a token of the Councils appreciation for all their hard work.
- 18. **Date & time of next Council meeting.** It was agreed that this would be held on Thursday 8th July 2021 at The Community Centre starting at 7.00pm
- 19. The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.10pm.