

Minutes of Berrington Parish Council Meeting - Crosshouses Community Centre, Thursday 6th October 2022

Present: Cllrs Nick Biggs, Geoff Jones, Susan Mason, Richard Purslow, Claire Wild.

In attendance: 4 members of the public and Ian Cruise-Taylor, Locum Clerk

1. **Chairman's welcome** – the Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting
2. **Apologies** - Cllr Claire Bonsey, Stef Durkam, Sue Shedden, Henry Carpenter
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests** – none
4. **Council unanimously approved the minutes of the September 2022 meeting**
5. **Public session – members of the public:**
 - invited Council to reconsider its decision on the pedestrian crossing in Cross Houses in the light of the priorities listed in the Community Led Plan. He was invited to discuss the matter with Cllr Henry Carpenter outside the meeting
 - invited Council to consider encouraging the use of the Community Centre as a warm space during the current cost of living crisis. Council agreed
 - asked for copies of road safety reports referred to in February 2022 to be made available – Council agreed to follow this up
 - invited Council to consider purchasing bulbs for planting as in previous years – Council agreed
 - asked Council if it would consider providing a location for a memorial tree for the late Queen Elizabeth II – Council noted that a member of the public had offered to source and plant a suitable tree, and agreed to seek to identify a location once the tree had been purchased
 - asked Council to consider supporting a Footpaths Group – Council agreed
6. **Police Report** – to include agreement on top three priorities. There was no report, Council identified Speeding, ASB and theft as its top 3 priorities
7. **Clerks report to cover items not on the agenda – verbal** – none
8. **Highways matters**
 - **Members to report any highways issues** – The Chairman reported that public consultation should commence within two weeks on the extension of speed limits in Cross Houses
 - Council noted that discussions between Shropshire Council and Fletcher Homes regarding completion of roads were still ongoing

- It was agreed to press the National Trust to cut hedges along the A458 at the entrance to Cross Houses from Shrewsbury direction.

9 Planning Matters

9a Decisions – noted by Council

- 22/02853/LBC: Berrington Manor, Berrington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6HB
Proposal: Installation of replacement oil tank and external boiler affecting a Grade II star Listed Building
Decision: Grant Permission

9b New planning applications

- 22/03993/FUL: High Elms, Betton Strange, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6HZ
Proposal: Erection of First floor extension and remodelling of dwelling
Decision: No Comment

10 Financial Matters

- To consider and agree renewal of insurance policy - AJG Community Schemes Ecclesiastical Insurance Office Plc. - £1,404.51. Council agreed to include insurance parts of the Community Centre in its main insurance as it owned the Community Centre
- To receive the report from the external auditor – Council noted the report – no actions necessary
- To agree that the Clerk should invite quotes for rebuilding the Allotments wall, once the tree has been removed – unanimously agreed
- Council unanimously approved the payment of monthly invoices as presented by the Clerk – see Appendix A
- Council unanimously accepted the Monthly Bank Reconciliation as presented by the Clerk – Appendix A

11 Parish matters- members to report items not covered on the agenda

- New Woodland Proposal – email circulated – Council unanimously supported the development
- Council unanimously agreed to pay for the installation of broadband and Wi-Fi in the Community Centre at an estimated cost of £25 per month
- Council unanimously approved a proposal to employ a caretaker for the Community Centre, and to be re-imbursed by the Community Centre for the cost of wages.

12 Date & time of next Council meeting. Thursday 3rd November 2022

Appendix A revised

Known Payments: September and October

September	Waterplus	16.80
	Shropshire Council	135.49
	SJF	252.00
	subtotal	404.29
October	L Pardoe	526.94
	Locum	477.74
	HMRC	189.60
total		1598.57

Bank Balances at 30th September 2022

account name		balance at	balance at
account name	last four	1st April 2022	30th September 2022
Treasurers Account	2781	£1,994.21	£26,489.50
BB Instant online	6168	£80,582.88	£80,591.71
BB Instant Online	5768	£25,024.69	£25,027.43
Business Banking Instant	3026	£2,240.19	£2,240.44
		£109,841.97	£134,349.08
Includes Receipts		£37,123.81	
Payments to 30 th September		£13,964.74	
Uncleared payments		£1,348.04	
Balance at end September		£134,349.08	£134,349.08