

Badgeworth Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19th October 2021 at Witcombe & Bentham Village Hall at 7.00pm.

Present:

Cllrs. Cottell (Chair), Marshall (vice Chair), and Haines

Clerk: Mrs. H Jones

1. **Apologies** - agreed that apologies are 'accepted' from Cllrs M. Howe and J. Jones and 'received' from Cllrs D. Hitchcock and H. Sanders.
2. **Declaration of Interest** - There were none.
3. **Minutes of the meeting** held on 2nd September 2021 were agreed and signed.
Matters Arising not included as an agenda item - none
4. **To Receive a Report from the County and Borough Councillor** - not in attendance.
5. **Parish Council Administration**
 - a) **Councillor attendance** - the rules on Councillor attendance at meetings, and apologies had been circulated for clarification. This was noted.
 - b) **Asset Register** - has been updated but Bentham Green plaque not yet included.
 - c) **Parish Council email addresses** - Cllr Marshall and Clerk to arrange a meeting to discuss options
 - d) **Training** - agreed that Clerk could attend networking session in December at cost of £20. Councillor training deferred to next meeting.
 - e) **Meeting dates 2022** - agreed.
 - **Witcombe & Bentham VH** - 18/1/22, 5/4/22, 5/7/22, 18/10/22
 - **Badgeworth VH** - 3/3/22, 19/5/22, 8/9/22, 1/12/22
6. **Planning**
 - a) **Enforcement Issues - discussion regarding liaison with Tewkesbury Borough Council.** There is extreme disquiet about the apparent lack of action/progress regarding enforcement action and long running planning breach at a site in the Badgeworth Ward. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the Development Management Team Leader (South) to find out a timescale, and if no satisfactory response received, the matter would be escalated.
 - b) **Delegated Comments to note:**
 - **21/00949/FUL** Erection of a single storey front extension and porch. Erection of a single storey rear extension. Alterations to the roof and front and rear dormer extension. **Stayawhile, Badgeworth Lane, Badgeworth. NO OBJECTION**
 - **21/00991/FUL** Change of use from Agricultural land to Equestrian (for use as a paddock). **Bamfurlong Operations Centre - Northern Paddock, Bamfurlong Lane, Staverton. NO OBJECTION**, but consideration should be given to impact/colour of fence.
 - c) **Planning Decisions - none notified, Appeals** - PP-09609782 - The Sheiling, Badgeworth Lane, Badgeworth, Cheltenham.
 - d) **Parish Council response to planning applications received.**
 - **21/01000/FUL** - The redevelopment of the site to include the demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings, for the erection of a replacement dwelling and change of use of land to residential curtilage. **Wind in the Willows, Sandy Pluck Lane, Bentham.** The Parish Council has concerns that this proposal could be considered over development of the site and an inappropriate development in the Green Belt. If allowed, it could set a precedent for future proposals.
 - **21/01127/FUL** - Erection of single and two storey extensions. **Leaffield Cottage, Green Lane, Witcombe.** The Parish Council has concerns that this might be considered overdevelopment of

the site and inappropriate development in the Cotswold's AONB and Green Belt. If allowed, it could set a precedent for future proposals

- **21/01170/FUL** - Conversion and extension of existing outbuilding into residential annex accommodation associated with Elm Cottage. **Elm Cottage, Shurdington Road, Shurdington.**
NO OBJECTION

7. Highways & Public Rights of Way

- a) **Footpath ASH7 - Badgeworth/Shurdington – request for replacement of stile with kissing gate.** Information is needed from the landowner about whether they would be prepared to allow/carry out this change. PC will discuss again when/if costs are identified.

8. Community & Environment

- a) **Bentham Ward Project** - 1 quote received for installation, 1 declined, 1 more to be sought.
- b) **Badgeworth Ward/Village Project** – Cllr Cottell provided an update. Traffic speed is now significant problem and many residents have expressed concerns. After the discussion of the report, it was agreed that a meeting would be arranged between Cllr Cottell, the Clerk and the GCC Area Highways Manager to discuss village gateways, Vehicle Activated Signs, line painting etc.
- c) **Village Greens** – memorial benches and street furniture. Deferred to December meeting.
- d) **Little Witcombe Village Green** – repairs required after work by Wales & West. Discussion of requirements and costs (to be reclaimed). Negotiations are ongoing but it appears that re-turfing will be carried out spring 2022
- e) **Allotments** – inspection report. Deferred.

9. Finance & Insurance

- a) **Bank reconciliation** –noted. Balance at the bank is: £27,316
- b) **Independent internal audit** - Authorised GAPTC to do 21/22 Independent Internal Audit £175
- c) **Payments agreed for the following:**

Payee	Details	Date of invoice	Amount (ex VAT) £	VAT £	TOTAL £
Greenfields Garden services	Grass cutting	30/9/21	169.95	33.99	203.94
National Association of Allotment Gardeners	Annual subscription	2/10/21	55.00	11.00	66.00
Tewkesbury Borough Council	4 x dog waste bins (note: reduced price because of S.106 contribution)	8/9/21	399.00	79.80	478.80
PATA	Payroll services July – September	6/10/21	23.85	0	23.85
Clerk	Expenses: October 21	10/10/21	35.60	1.99	37.59

- d) **Clerk's salary** –Payment agreed for October 21.

10. Ward Reports.

The hedge to the Badgeworth Village Hall car park needs cutting – a quote would be sought and brought to the next meeting for authorisation.

11. Next meeting – 2 December 2021, Badgeworth Village Hall at 7.00pm

The meeting finished at 8.20pm

Signed..... Date