

Badgeworth Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2017 at Badgeworth Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

Cllrs. Chris Haines MBE (Chairman), Nigel Cottell, David Hitchcock, Mike Howe, Jill Jones & Doug Nelson

Clerk: Mrs. H Jones

Also in attendance: Borough & County Councillor Robert Vines.

1. **Apologies** – Apologies were received from Jim Hunt.
2. **Declaration of Interest** – there were none.
3. **The minutes of the last meeting** held on 14th November 2017 were agreed as a true record and signed.

Matters Arising

- **Allotments** – the newsletter had been sent to all tenants
 - **Traveller site next to Rudgeley House, Badgeworth Lane** – a further planning application had been submitted but was not valid. TBC Legal Services are considering the next stage of the legal process.
 - **Unauthorised container at Greek Orthodox Church, Bentham** – enforcement action is being considered by TBC if the container is not removed.
 - **Shurdington School parking and traffic problems** – the parking will be monitored again to get a clearer picture.
4. **County and Borough Councillor Vines reported that:**
 - **The Joint Core Strategy** has been adopted by Gloucester, Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Councils
 - **Missing Link** – The Prime Minister has expressed support for the scheme to Alex Chalk MP during Prime Ministers Question time
 - **GCC Waste Disposal contract with Cory** – has been extended until 2020 when the new incinerator is due to open
 - **GCC Highways contract** – will be renewed by competitive tender in 2019 and split into 3 parts.
 5. **Planning:**
 - a) 17/01190/FUL Retrospective permission for the conversion & extension of existing garage into residential annexe accommodation ancillary to the main house at Elm Cottage Shurdington Road Shurdington – OBJECT. This is a newly built garage in the AONB & Green Belt. The proposal is essentially a

new dwelling in an area where such proposals are not normally allowed. This would set a precedent

- b) 17/01185/CLE B8 Open Air Storage on land To the Rear of Part Parcel 1982 Bentham Lane, Bentham – OBJECT. This is an inappropriate use in, and has an adverse effect on, the AONB & Green Belt

6. **Assets and responsibilities**

- a) **Little Witcombe Village Green** – to discuss ongoing problems with maintenance of eastern section of green (TBC owned). The Clerk is waiting for further information. It was agreed that a meeting be arranged with Officers at TBC to discuss the wider issues and the possibility of the Parish Council taking on responsibilities for this section of green

7. **Finance**

- a) **Donation request** – to discuss a donation request towards the production of the Witcombe Village News. Cllr Hitchcock proposed, and Cllr Howe seconded a proposal that a donation of £100 be given and this was agreed.
- b) **Badgeworth Village Hall accounts** –the audited accounts 2016/17 were received.
- c) **Financial Update** – the budget update and bank reconciliation were received and noted.
- d) **Payment was authorised and cheques issued:**
 - Clerk’s expenses (Dec)£97.66 inc. £3.55 VAT (Inc. £20 Clerk’s Networking)
 - PATA payroll services Oct-Dec 17. £22.50
- e) **Clerk’s salary** – payment was authorised & cheque issued.

8. **Ward Reports.**

A report was made about large rocks/bollards being placed on a highway verge in Bentham. This would be investigated and reported if necessary.

- 9. **The next meeting would be held on 25th January at Witcombe & Bentham Village Hall at 7.30pm** when the budget and precept for 2018/19 would be set.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed.....

Dated.....

| PAYMENTS | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| | PAID | BUDGET | % OF BUDGET SPENT |
| PAYE/SALARY | £4,093 | £5,600.00 | 73% |
| HOME OFFICE | £156 | £210.00 | 74% |
| GENERAL ADMIN | £237 | £350.00 | 68% |
| GRASS CUTTING | £1,650 | £1,800.00 | 92% |
| ROOM HIRE | £150 | £300.00 | 50% |
| SUBSCRIPTIONS | £511 | £550.00 | 93% |
| INSURANCE/LEGAL/ACCOUNTS | £985 | £1,200.00 | 82% |
| DONATIONS | £0 | £430.00 | 0% |
| ELECTION FEES | £0 | £0.00 | N/A |
| MAINTENANCE | £80 | £1,000.00 | 8% |
| OTHER/CONTINGENCY | £94 | £1,000.00 | 9% |
| ALLOTMENTS | £569 | £500.00 | 114% |
| TREE SURVEY & WORKS | £340 | £550.00 | 62% |
| TRAINING | £228 | £200.00 | 114% |
| WEBSITE/TRANSPARENCY | £171 | £160.00 | 107% |
| VAT | £188 | | N/A |
| TOTAL | £9,450 | £13,850 | 68% |

NB when VAT removed 67% of budget spent.