

Badgeworth Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th March 2018 at Badgeworth Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

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

Clerk: Mrs. H Jones

Also, in attendance: Borough & County Councillor Robert Vines & 1 resident

1. **Apologies** – were received from Cllr Hitchcock.
Cllr Bruckshaw came to this meeting but has been absent from Parish Council meetings for over 6 months. Cllr Bruckshaw therefore ceases to be a Member of the Parish Council (Local Government Act 1972, s85(1) & (2). The Clerk will inform Electoral Services at Tewkesbury Borough
2. **Declaration of Interest** – there were none.
3. **The minutes of the last meeting held on 25th January 2018 were agreed and signed.**

Matters Arising not included as an agenda item.

- The problem of noisy helicopter pleasure flights has been looked at by Airport management who are investigating with the operator whether the flights could take a different route to minimise disturbance.
 - Grass cutting at Little Witcombe – Clerk to check with TBC whether provision has been made for extra grass cuts in budget
 - Dark Lane/Dog Lane – Cllr Haines has spoken with County Highways about the possibility of a sign to deter long vehicles and lorries from using the lanes.
4. **To Receive a Report from the County and Borough Councillor**
The Council tax will increase. TBC element of tax 4.70% and GCC part 4.49%
The Missing Link Consultation is underway and looks very hopeful at the moment.
Vision 2050 event held recently at the Racecourse.
 5. **Planning –**
 - a) **Parish Council response to the following consultations:**
 - i. **18/00040/FUL Change of use from Equestrian to Commercial Use (B8) (Retrospective) at Badgeworth Livery Centre Cold Pool Lane Badgeworth**
SUPPORT provided that
 - County Highways do no object
 - Visiting hours by persons/tradespersons to the storage areas should be strictly controlled e.g. 9 to 5 Monday to Friday

- The present/future items to be stored need to be specified to the Planning Authority so that the latter can judge whether other parties/bodies should comment/approve.
 - All items to be stored must be retained within the storage buildings and not stored externally
 - No vehicles/equipment related to the stored items should be kept on site.
 - There should be no sale of goods/items at the site
 - There should be no adverse impact on the National Nature Reserve close by
- ii. **18/00044/FUL Retention of six storage containers and associated open storage at Shurdington Nurseries Little Shurdington - OBJECT.** This site is in the AONB and Green Belt. The 6 large containers are intrusive, out of character and inappropriate development in this location.
- iii. **18/00163/FUL Outdoor arena 40m x 20m with silica sand, synthetic fibre and rubber surface at Marlborough House Birdlip Hill Witcombe** - subject to this arena being for private use only, and no objection from County Highways, the Parish Council would **SUPPORT** this application.
- iv. **18/00168/FUL An application for change of use of an existing agricultural building to a residential use (C3) and associated works necessary for conversion into a dwelling house. Jubilee Farm Badgeworth Lane Badgeworth - SUPPORT**
- b) **Enforcement issues** -
- i. Planning permission Part Parcel 8072, Badgeworth Lane, Badgeworth
 - ii. Caravan at the Orchard, Cold Pool Lane
- Mobile homes have been placed on both these sites for a period of time whilst works are taking place. Officers at TBC are investigating whether the periods of time proposed for construction works are acceptable.
- c) **To review and update Parish Council policy/procedure when dealing with planning consultations.** It was agreed that ALL councillors would look at the details of each application on-line before the meeting, and WARD members would liaise with neighbours.

6. Highways

- a) **A417 Missing Link Consultation** – It was agreed that route 30 would be supported as it is a safer option (than route 12) giving a better highway solution to increase traffic flow through the area. It was also agreed that Highways England should look at what happens with the old unused highway to avoid problems encountered on the old A417.

7. Allotments –

- a) To receive an update regarding current issues and vacancies – it was agreed that the vacant plot would be offered to the one applicant.

- b) To agree process for issuing 2018 tenancy agreements and collection of rents – new tenancy agreements would be sent out shortly, and the tenants would be asked to pay by bank transfer or cheque if possible. Arrangements for cash collection will be made if needed.
- c) To discuss and agree whether PC should install a noticeboard – the Clerk was asked to seek quotes.

8. Community

War Memorial, Witcombe – to discuss request for support and financial contribution. Contact had been made from St Marys PCC directly to the Chairman. After lengthy discussion it was agreed that much more information was needed. The Chairman would liaise.

9. Finance

a) Payment was authorised and cheques issued:

- Clerk’s expenses (Feb & March) – £56.81
- Community Heartbeat – replacement battery for Badgeworth Defibrillator £282 (£235 + £47 VAT). Already paid as emergency payment.
- PATA Payroll services (Jan – March) - £22.50

b) Clerk’s salary – payment was authorised & cheques issued

10. Ward Reports.

Full Minutes would be sent to the 3-in-1 Magazine to match those submitted by Shurdington PC

Badgeworth – volunteers have removed much of the vegetation obstructing the visibility at the crossroads

Bentham 106 – a letter to be drafted to find out more details

Planning application at Shurdington Primary School – The Clerk reported that Badgeworth Parish Council had not been consulted on the application to increase the size of the school. The application has already been granted consent.

11. The Annual Parish Meeting would be held on 20th March at Badgeworth

Village Hall at 7.30pm with reports from Chairman of the Parish Council, Borough and County Councillor Robert Vines, and Alison Robinson, Chief Executive Officer of the Gloucestershire Association of Parish and Town Councils. Refreshments would be served.

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on April 19th, 2018 at Witcombe and Bentham Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

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