

Badgeworth Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 18th October 2016 at Badgeworth Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

Cllrs. Chris Haines MBE (Chairman), Nigel Cottell, David Hitchcock, Jim Hunt, Jill Jones, Dr. Helen Makins

Clerk: Mrs. H Jones

Borough & County Councillor Vines

30 residents.

Parishioners Questions – many questions were raised regarding the unauthorised developments at Parcel 5762 Land Adjacent Rudgeley House, Cold Pool Lane, Badgeworth. Answers were given where possible. There was extreme dismay and frustration regarding the breach of planning law and the apparent lack of measures to prevent further contraventions. It was agreed that residents would make representations to the relevant authorities to support the comments made by the Parish Council.

1. **Apologies** - apologies had been received from Mike Howe and Max Bruckshaw.
2. **Declaration of Interest** – there were none.
3. **The minutes of the last meeting** held on 22nd September 2016 were agreed as a true record and signed.

Matters Arising – the dog fouling reported at Elm Garden Drive, Bamfurlong had been investigated and did not appear to be a problem at this point.

4. **To Receive a Report from the County and Borough Councillor** – Cllr Vines reported that the Joint Core Strategy was currently being discussed by the Council's involved. GCC are now thinking ahead to 2050
5. **Planning**
 - a. **Parcel 5762 Land Adjacent Rudgeley House Cold Pool Lane Badgeworth** –
 - i. **To discuss the Parish Council response to the unauthorised development at the site** – it was agreed that responses would be sent by the Parish Council to various agencies regarding the issues on the site – highways, footpaths, environmental issues. Local residents would also report these issues directly.
 - ii. **To discuss the Parish Council response to the appeal against the Council's refusal for Change of use of land for 2 traveller pitches, 2 mobile homes, 2 utility day rooms and 2 touring caravans for nomadic use only** – A detailed response was outlined which included reference to

relevant local planning calculations about traveller sites, specific Green Belt issues, intentional unauthorised occupation of the site without planning permission, whether the 'traveller' definition was correct. A comprehensive response would be sent to the Planning Inspectorate by the deadline of 9/11/16

- b. **To decide the response of the Parish Council to consultations on the following planning applications:**
- i. **16/01037/FUL Erection of an agricultural building to house livestock as well as the storage of hay etc. on land to South of Badgeworth Lane Badgeworth Lane Badgeworth** – it was agreed to **OBJECT** on the grounds of Green Belt, highways & access, no other farm building in the vicinity and very close to a residential property and likely to cause nuisance.
 - ii. **Amendment 15/00751/OUT Outline planning application for the redevelopment of Bentham Country Club to include the erection of 40 dwellings, associated parking, public open space, landscaping and associated works at Bentham Country Club Bentham Lane** – the amendments do not address the original comments made by the Parish Council, so the original **objection** is maintained.
 - iii. **16/01126/FUL & 16/01153/LBC Proposed side Orangery to extend dining room at Yew Tree House Little Shurdington - NO OBJECTION**
- c. **To note the decisions of the Planning Authority** on planning applications –
- **REFUSED:** 16/00903/PDAD conversion of agricultural building into 2 No. dwellings (C3 use) together with associated building works at Bluebell Farm Cold Pool Lane, Badgeworth.
 - **Appeal DISMISSED** Dwelling - Rear of Ashley Villa Badgeworth Lane Badgeworth

6. Finance

- a. Payment was authorised and cheques issued:
- Expenses: £30.80
 - Erection of noticeboard at Cold Pool Lane - £35
 - National Allotment Society Membership £66.10 (inc. VAT)
 - Witcombe & Bentham Village Hall. Hall Hire July & Sept. £60
 - Grass cutting. October £150
- b. Clerk's salary
Payment was authorised and a cheque issued.

7. Miscellaneous

- a. **Allotments** – Cllr Makins gave feedback from a meeting with allotment tenants. Prices would be obtained for hardcore for the central track for the budget. Tenants would be reminded of the contract.
- b. **Grass Cutting contract** – The Parish Council is happy with the existing contractor and it was agreed that the contract would be renewed for 2017.
- c. **Trees on Village Greens** – it was agreed that the trees needed to be checked annually and the Clerk would obtain quotes.
- d. **Environmental Warden (dog fouling) proposal from Tewkesbury Borough Council** – it was agreed that Option 1 proposed would suit the Parish Council at

a cost of £155.41 per year. This was proposed by Cllr Hunt and seconded by Cllr Hitchcock.

e. **Street Naming and Numbering Consultation at Bentham Works site.** A response would be sent indicating that Cornflower and Cornfield could be easily confused.

8. Co-option to Parish Council –to co-opt a person to fill the vacancy on the Parish Council to represent the Badgeworth Ward

3 candidates had applied and provided written confirmation that they were eligible. The candidates were interviewed individually and a secret ballot taken. Doug Nelson was co-opted onto the Parish Council.

9. Ward Reports.

- A blocked footpath and blocked drains in Bentham and Little Shurdington had been reported
- Jill Jones would respond to the Cheltenham Transport report which touched on the Parish.

10. The next meeting would be held on Thursday 24th November 2016 at Witcombe & Bentham Village Hall at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 21.30pm

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