

BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 2nd September 2021

MINUTES

1. **Chairman's welcome** the chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
2. **Present** Councillor C Wild-Chairman, Councillor R Purslow -Vice-Chairman, Councillor S Mason, Councillor S Durkan, Councillor C Bonsey, Councillor N Biggs, Councillor H Carpenter. **Apologies** were received from Councillor S Shedden and G Jones. These were accepted by the Council. Also, present L Pardoe Clerk to the Council and several members of the public.
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests** There were none declared at this point.
4. **Public session**
Standing Orders were lifted to allow the public to speak.
 - A gentleman pointed out that after the road sweeper had been through the chippings and road markings on the road had been left damaged by the sweeper.
 - A gentle man was making the point that he believes that the street parking on The Chestnuts is dangerous particularly where a large van always parks. It is impossible to see around and having to pull out to pass it is causing him concern for the children who ride their bikes around the area. He asked about having yellow lines on the road. It was explained to him that when the Parish Council had the yellow lines put on the road that there had been many objections to yellow lines outside people's houses.
 - It was agreed that there would be an article in the Village Pump asking people to be more considerate when and where they are parking. It was also agreed that this gentleman and another member of the public would speak to local people to see if they would support yellow lines.
 - A question was asked about the proposal on the introduction of a quiet lane between Crosshouses and Atcham. A gentleman asked if any of the Councillors had done any research over the break into quiet lanes. He said that what Councillor Wild had said was correct, and there are no quiet lanes in Shropshire. Another member of the public stated that he drove that lane at 45mph all the way along it as it was quite wide enough to do so.
 - The speed limit signs are still not lit up. The clerk had chased this and this would be chased again.
 - A request was made for a footpath from on the verge towards the turn to Berrington.
 - A lady reported speeding on her lane. It is an unregistered road with a 60mph speed limit on it. Councillor Wild explained that once all the harvests were in the farm vehicles would slow down and contractors would no longer be speeding to get maximum journeys in.

Public session was closed.
 Standing Orders were reinstated.
5. **Council to agree the minutes from July 2021.** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting, proposed by Councillor R Purslow, seconded by Councillor C Bonsey and agreed by all members present.
6. **Clerk to report.** There was nothing to report all items covered on the agenda
7. **Allotment Wall update by Councillor Wild.** Councillor Wild explained that we were waiting for a third quotation for the job before we could look at tenders.
8. **Council to review and agree Insurance renewal for 2021/2022;** The clerk asked if the members would be willing for the Parish Council to take on the insurance of all of the Community Centre along with full public liability rather than just the buildings Proposed by Councillor H Carpenter, seconded by Councillor N Biggs and agreed by all members present.

- 9. Chestnut Play Areas -Update and Safety report from ROSPA.** The clerk had received copies of the report from ROSPA and would circulate it to all members. Councillor Wild explained that a meeting had been arranged with Greenbelt representatives, members of the Parish Council and the local Member of Parliament to discuss the state of the Play Areas. This was the only way the Parish Council was able to get any response from the Management Company. The Parish Council had been trying to get a response from the company for the last two or three years and had also brought Persimmon into the matter who originally owned the land.

10. Planning matters

- Reference: 21/03374/FUL (validated: 07/07/2021)
Address: 15 Lower Cross, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6JU
Permission Granted
- Reference: 21/02866/FUL (validated: 06/07/2021)
Address: 1 Russell Place, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6EY
Permission Granted

New Planning applications.

- Reference: 21/03915/FUL (validated: 10/08/2021)
Address: Birchill, Berrington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6HB
Proposal: Erection of first floor extension to provide additional bathroom
After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council have no objection to this application

11. Highways matters- members to raise any concerns

- It was reported that the footpath had been swept and the chippings had pulled excess tarmac off the footpath.
- Speeding through the village

12. Financial matters

- a) Council to agree payment of invoices as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor C Wild, seconded by Councillor S Durkan and agreed by all members present.

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| BGC | HMRC | PAYE | 2.80 |
| | staff | expenses | 77.82 |
| | SJF Printing | newsletter | 286.00 |
| | Playsafety | ROSPA | 535.20 |
| | D Malley | DPO | 110.66 |
| | PKF Littlejohn | Audit | 360.00 |
| | total | | 1372.48 |

- b) Council to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk Proposed by Councillor H Carpenter, seconded by Councillor C Wild and agreed by all members present.
- c) Members agreed a late payment that had come in that day for the Audit to PKF Littlejohn.

13. Parish Matters

- It was reported that dog walkers are parking in Brompton and as result are causing problems. They are leaving their cars and going walking and making it difficult for cars to safely pass.
Clerk to contact the National Trust about this matter.
- Councillor Wild reported that the speed signs for Berrington and the other hamlets would be in place by the end of October.

- There would be a meeting next Thursday with the clerk to attend along with the Chairs of Berrington and Atcham Parish Council and engineers, to look at the possible improvements of the road between Crosshouses and Atcham.
 - Councillor H Carpenter reported that they would be resuming the Community Led Plan next week and would be looking at key items and seeing what has been affected by Covid19
 - Councillor Purslow reported that he had been approached by a resident from the Chestnuts asking if the Parish Council had any objections to him purchase some land at the side of his property from Greenbelt. The resident had been maintaining this piece of land by mowing it and keeping it tidy. The Parish Council has no objections and are happy for him to proceed with the purchase.
 - The hedges as you come on to the Chestnuts needs trimming, clerk to request Shropshire Homes to deal with this.
 - The Notice Board outside the Community Centre has been removed and is being repaired
 - The Hedges at the Mount need trimming back. There are new owners in the property. Clerk to contact and request they trim back the hedges.
 - Councillor Mason reported that there is still a problem with people parking on the pavement on Noel Hill Road.
14. **Date & time of next Council meeting.** It was agreed that this would be held on Thursday 7th October 2021
15. **The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.00pm**