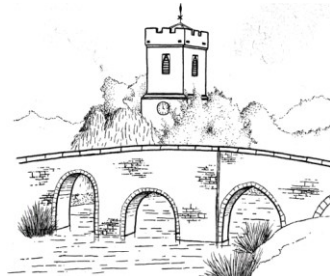


BIDFORD ON AVON PARISH COUNCIL

In the County of Warwickshire



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 27th March 2017 @ 7.30 pm at the Parish Council Meeting Room, Bramley Way, B50 4QG

PRESENT

Chairman Cllr. Harvey - Chairman of the Council

Cllrs. Fleming, Mrs Keeley, Knight,
Pound, Ms Randell and Mrs Taylor

Also present: County Councillor Brain
District Councillors Cargill and Pemberton
9 members of the public

In attendance: Mrs E. Uggerløse, Clerk to the Parish Council

1. TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Atkins, Ms Deacon and Hiscocks

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

- i. All members of the Council are respectfully reminded that in order to comply with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Parish Council on 30th July 2012, if any matter arises during the meeting in which they have declared a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) they should leave the room.
None declared
- ii. Written requests for Dispensations for DPI should be received by the Clerk no more than 24 hours prior to the meeting.
Dispensations will be granted as appropriate.
None required

3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30 PM ON 27TH FEBRUARY 2017

Cllr MS Randell proposed the Minutes be accepted as being accurate

RESOLVED: that the Minutes be accepted as an accurate account, and signed by the Chairman.

4. YOUTH FORUM

None present.

5. PUBLIC FORUM

No issues raised

6. COUNCILLOR FORUM

No issues brought forward.

7. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR

- i. Bidford Bridge** – there has been an unacceptable delay in the ordering of the signs though confirmation has now been received that signs have been ordered
- ii. Salford Road** – it was acknowledged that this site has created traffic issues and, regrettably, it will be some time before the work is completed. It had been noted that there were long stretches of time when no work appeared to be carried out. Meeting has been arranged to consider the management of all sites.
- iii. Nursery** consideration of having this facility at the Friday Furlong site allocated for health centre is on going

On behalf of the Council, the Chairman thanked Cllr Brain for his hard work for the Bidford on Avon parish community.

8. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

- i. NDP Cllr Pemberton** advised he had been holding discussion with planners and advised that they are aiming for a Referendum date of 29th June 2017. Report to go to Cabinet at its meeting of 8th May for full approval on 17th May.
- ii. Meeting** to discuss coordination of building sites is taking place on 18th April at Elizabeth House
- iii. Jacksons Meadow** both District Cllrs had met on site due to further problems. This is considered the worst site in the district and an Enforcement Note is being prepared.
- iv. Redditch Hospital** South Worcester Trust has been invited to attend the next Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 3rd April to explain its current position.

The Parish Council Chairman thanked Cllr Pemberton for his significant support at the Planning Committee (West) meeting when the application for 23 bungalows on allocated POS land on the Friday Furlong development was considered.

The Chairman added that the Parish Council had been surprised, disappointed and concerned that this application had been brought forward to the planning

committee with a recommendation to grant: it was clearly directly against NDP policy, which had allocated this site as Local Green Space and, had the application been granted, it would have derailed the NDP and left Bidford-on-Avon open to more speculative development.

The Clerk was instructed to request a written statement as to how the decision to recommend grant had been reached.

Another concern was that Taylor Wimpey had been booked to speak (the Clerk was advised of this when she booked the Parish Council as a speaker): why was the Parish Council not advised that they had withdrawn: it only found out at the planning committee meeting after the PC Chairman, speaking on behalf of the Parish Council at the meeting, had referred to the fact that Taylor Wimpey would be speaking and objecting.

9. TO RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT

this had been circulated and it was **RESOLVED** to note the contents

10. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL'S WORKING GROUPS

- i. **Grant Applications** – recommendations circulated
 - o **Bidford Area Community Choir**
Grant request of £600 towards a second keyboard
Recommendation: to award £300
RESOLVED to accept the recommendation and award £300
 - o **Bidford-on-Avon Chamber of Trade & Commerce**
Grant request of £500 towards a gazebo
Recommendation: not to award the grant
RESOLVED to accept the recommendation and not award the grant
- ii. **Amenities Strategic WG** – to report at the Strategy meeting
- iii. **Business & Development Strategic WG** – to report at the Strategy meeting
- iv. **Communications & Marketing Strategic WG** – to report at the Strategy meeting
- v. **Quarterly Accounts WG** – report circulated
RESOLVED to note the report
- vi. **NDP**
Chairman referred to Cllr Pemberton's comments that we are aiming for a Referendum date of 29th June 2017

11. TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES

- i. **Standing Orders**
RESOLVED to approve
- ii. **Financial Regulations**
RESOLVED to approve
- iii. **Internal Control Policy**
RESOLVED to approve

12. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE FROM NALC/WALC

- i. **Legal Briefing L02-17** the Code of Recommended practice on Local Authority Publicity (England)
Council to note
RESOLVED to note
- ii. **Extracts from Chief Executive Bulletin**
Council to note
RESOLVED to note

13. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE FROM STRATFORD CAB REGARDING ITS MERGER WITH WARWICK DISTRICT CAB AND REQUESTING CONSENT

Recommendation as the aim is for Bidford Outreach service to continue using the same staff and approach, the recommendation is to grant consent.
RESOLVED to accept the recommendation and grant consent

14. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- i. **17/00565/FUL & 17/00566/LBC Mr Aidan Lines, The Old Falcon, Church Street, B50 4DA**
Proposed covered and weatherproof link to the rear of the ground floor from utility
RESOLVED no representation
- i. **17/00676/FUL Cranbrook Homes Limited, Land East of Westholme Road, Bidford-on-Avon**
change of use of approximately 0.85ha of agricultural land to public open space
RESOLVED to object on the following grounds:
“the site is unsuitable as a POS due to:
 - a. Having poor drainage
 - b. Lack of connectivity
 - c. Lack of natural surveillance”

15. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE

- i. **Completed accounts for the month of February 2017**
These had been circulated
RESOLVED they should be accepted and approved
- ii. **To approve payments to be made in February 2017**
the Clerk advised that the following payments had been made since the last Parish Council Meeting:
 - Cheque 6771 to NABMA for £190.80 approved by the Business & Development WG
 - BACS payment to WPD for £15,092.69 as approved by Council at its meeting of 27.02.2017

List of cheques to be raised and signed had been circulated
List of payable invoices form part of these Minutes and totalled an amount of £30,590.50

RESOLVED to approve the March payments, cheques to be signed by Cllrs Harvey and Ms Randell

Due to the sensitive nature of this item, the Council may resolve to exclude the public (Public Bodies (Admissions of Meetings Act) 1960 s1 (2))

16. TO CONSIDER QUOTATIONS/BIDS PUBLICISED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE FOLLOWING

- Sole Catering Rights for the Big Meadow 2017 season
RESOLVED to grant to Mr M Dobson
- Sole Ice Cream Rights to the Big Meadow 2017season
RESOLVED to grant to Mr T. L. Best
- Inflatable rights to the Big Meadow 2017
RESOLVED to grant to Mr M Dobson

The meeting closed at approx. 8.25 pm

