

BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Confidential

LOCATION

Bayford Village Hall

DATE

5th June 2017

PURPOSE OF MEETING

Parish Council Meeting

PRESENT

Michael Wainwright (Chairman), Alan Fitzjohn, Jane Honeyman, Bob Orme, George Rowley, Maggie Broomer (clerk), and 4 members of the public.

CIRCULATION

Above listed + Councillors Ken Crofton and Linda Haysey

ITEM	MINUTE	ACTION
1.0	Apologies	
1.1	Linda Haysey, Colin Taylor	
2.0	Minutes of the previous meeting	
2.1	Minutes of the previous meeting were read, signed and agreed by all the councillors.	Noted
3.0	Matters Arising	
3.1	Water leak – James Vine of Ringway has it on his list to be done in this financial year, the cause of the problem is a land drain.	Noted
3.2	The tree that needed cutting down on the cricket pitch has been dealt with by Jo Aumayer – thanks to her and BPC has paid her £150 for doing this.	Noted
4.0	Finance	
	Payments since last meeting	
	John O’Conner – March	£159.72
	Paul Curson – March / April	£115.80
	AON - insurance	£382.91
	At 28.04.17 Current account balance is £14,285.25	
	HIBA account balance is £830.44 - unchanged	
	Charity account balance is £2783.03 - unchanged	
4.1	The end of year accounts were presented to all councillors and were read, agreed and signed by the Chairman. They will now be given to David Sitwell our internal auditor to be signed off.	Noted/MB
4.2	The VAT return needs to be submitted online. MB to do this.	MB
4.3	The BDO audit annual return form for the year ended 31 st March 2017 sections 1 –	MB

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	Annual Governance statement and Section 2 – Accounting statements were filled in and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Finance Officer. These will also be passed on to David Sitwell our internal auditor to be completed.	
5.0	Planning	
5.1	Bucks Warren – replacement of existing dwelling with a new 5 bedroom dwelling – permission refused. Bucks Warren – Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling – status ongoing. 2A Ashdene Road – permission was refused but an appeal has now been submitted to the new shortened procedure called the Householder Appeals Service in Bristol. Home Farm - Retrospective application for temporary building for farm office and staff canteen facilities – status ongoing.	
6.0	Any Other Business	
6.1	Willow Corner Parking.- awaiting response from Network Homes re any way of creating additional parking for residents. It is not clear who owns the layby land – assumed to be NH. LH has been emailed to see if she is able to look into this but awaiting response. NH has denied any responsibility for any work on cars if they are taxed and have current MOT that is carried out in the layby or in the land in front of the garages by school entrance. Boards and gravel by pond to be done shortly by AF and BO.	Noted
6.2	Village sign – near Bucks Alley. Herts Highways have no problem with the proposed location. Sign to be ordered by MB.	MB
6.3	Playground / Football posts - MW to follow up ordering the posts. Ground may need to be flattened and topsoil applied. The benches may also be moved from the old playground to Bayford Green. MW to assess whether it is possible to move the fireman's pole. The lease for the existing playground site is up for renewal June 2018 - Rumbell Sedgwick solicitors to be contacted.	MW
6.4	Speed Awareness camera – JH reported that they have been out several times in Ashdene Road and by the war memorial. Ashdene road was a major problem with over 30 cars documented going over 50mph. MW to contact HH re 40mph signs as discussed at previous meeting also smiley face signs funded by BPC are an option. The offending drivers are sent a letter by the police and noted how many times they offend.	Noted/MW
6.5	Bill Brace raised about the colour of the staining of the new bench by Fourways. A darker colour was agreed. Grateful thanks to Bill for his continued maintenance of the seats and bus shelter.	Noted
6.6	Maureen Wyman reported that 14 Well Row – spotlights had been on again – this to be monitored. MB to contact planning / enforcement re stables and gate on the bend re any further developments.	MB
6.7	Jackie Fulcher asked whether the village was any further forward with a date for faster speed Broadband. MW to investigate.	MW
6.8	It was noted that the taped areas around the church were unsightly – but this was because the wall was crumbling and it was on H&S grounds.	Noted
6.9	Jason Ruben stated that he had checked the defib today and all ok.	Noted
6.10	JR said village hall AGM 19 th June 2017.	Noted

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6.11	It was stated that there is graffiti on the railway line bridge by the station – this comes under Network Rail.	Noted

7.0 Date and time of Next Meeting

Monday 3rd July 2017 – BPC Meeting
Monday 4th September 2017 – BPC Meeting
Monday 20th November 2017 – BPC Meeting

All meetings in village hall and at 8.00pm

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.10pm

Signed.....

Date:.....