

BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Confidential

LOCATION

Bayford Village Hall

DATE

23rd May 2016

PURPOSE OF MEETING

Annual Parish Council Meeting

PRESENT

Michael Wainwright (Chairman), Alan Fitzjohn, Bob Orme, George Rowley
Jane Honeyman, Maggie Broomer (clerk), and 9 members of the public.

CIRCULATION

Above listed

ITEM	MINUTE	ACTION
1.0	Apologies	
1.1	Linda Haysey	
2.0	Nomination and election of Chairman	
2.1	Mike Wainwright was nominated to continue as Chairman Proposed by :- A.F. Seconded by :- G.R. Unanimously carried	Noted
3.0	Minutes of the previous meeting	
3.1	Minutes of the previous meeting were read, signed and agreed by all the councillors.	Noted
4.0	Matters Arising	
4.1	War Memorial – JH has spoken to Peter Hilliard and he is waiting for the summer months to return and apply the sealant.	Noted
4.2	Drive Safe Campaign – David Sitwell stated that he fully supported the campaign. Everything is now in place for it to begin, just training needed of the 3 named villagers who will be manning the campaign. Speed humps and chicanes were mentioned to be proposed in the village but it appears that street lights would have to be installed for this to occur.	
4.3	Land Registry – we are only able to obtain copies of the original documents and it is uncertain if the L/R. would accept these. A solicitor may have to be used.	
5.0	Finance	
5.1	Payments since last meeting	
	Paul Curson – Jan and Feb	£115.80
	Les Swain	£296.00
	John O'Connor - January	£159.72
	Lewis Collins	£1800.00

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	Banner – Mike Wainwright	£72.00
	John O'Connor - February	£159.72
	Paul Curson – March and April	£115.80
	John O'Connor – March	£159.72
	HBPT	£20.00
	DeFib	£1117.00
	At 29.04.16 Current account balance is £9051.99	
	At 29.04.16 HIBA account balance is £830.14	
	At 29.04.16 Charity account balance is £2781.98	
	Annual Insurance – this is due for renewal at a cost of £374.37 last year £377.45 it was agreed to continue with Aon.	
	Precept payment of £2255 – received on 25.04.16	
5.2	The accounts for the last financial year were presented to the councillors, agreed and signed off. A set of notes explaining the accounts was also submitted.	Noted
5.3	The annual return section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2015/6 and section 2 Accounting Statements 2015/6 were filled in by MW and signed off by MW and MB. This with the supporting paperwork is now ready to be handed over to David Sitwell our internal auditor.	Noted/MB
6.0	Planning	
6.1	Prior notification under schedule 2 - Proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house and associated operational development barn – Bucksbury Farm, Bucks Alley status – prior approval is required and refused..	
	Demolition of existing barns and erection of 3 dwellings with garages and parking – revised proposal – status ongoing	
	Change of use and conversion of an existing barn to 1 dwelling – Flanbury Oaks, Ashdene Road – appeal registered with Secretary of State.	
	Prior notification under schedule 2 - Single storey rear extension – prior approval is required and refused and full planning permission required for 2 storey side extension– 6E Broad Green Wood – this now granted	
	Proposed single storey rear extension and various internal alterations – West Stable, Ashdene – status ongoing.	
	Revised design to the Directors House, 4 extensions, and demolition of single storey office addition – The Directors House – permission granted	
	Enclosure of existing outdoor arena – Ashdene Stud – status ongoing.	
	Regularisation of tipped contours – Bunkers Quarry – status ongoing.	
	Demolition of existing detached garage/store building and erection of new outbuilding for use as garden /studio/store – 33 Bayford Green – permission granted	

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6.2	Bunkers Quarry – new application has been received similar to the one refused last year. Planning Dept. at EHDC and the local PC's not happy with this new proposal. Case to be heard at County Hall this Thursday 26 th May at 11.00am – Annie is to speak on behalf of Bayford. It is recommended that this application be refused. Bunkers and surrounding land greatly overtipped. A drone survey is to be done by HCC with 3D mapping. BPC grateful to Annie and George.	Noted
7.0	Any Other Business	
7.1	Bench and Posts – Bill Brace stated that one of the wooden seats in the village has been broken by youths but it was noted that it was not in a good state prior to this. MW has ordered a new seat at a cost of £300 that will be delivered to AF on Wednesday.	Noted
7.2	The defib storage cabinet has now been received and the village hall committee will pay for an electrician to install as part of their £500 contribution. The defib will follow shortly.	Noted
7.3	Speeding – an email has been received from Bruce of Wychwood Cattery re the speeding along White Stubbs Lane, also it was noted that the speed limits in the village should be extended to go from Bucks Alley to Broad Green, 40mph was suggested to the boundaries of the village. MW to look into this.	MW
7.4	Playground – Questionnaire needs to be sent to all villagers to gauge the interest in a new playground and possibly involve the school parents. Football posts to be repaired by AF. AF stated that 10 sleepers and 10 posts are needed at a cost of approx. £500 to finish off the edge of the pond where the cars park.	Noted / AF
7.5	AF stated that potholes are still not good and BO added that the drains in Bucks Alley are blocked. This comes under Herts Highways.	Noted
7.6	Maureen Whyman said that the pond looks good and hopes that it will be regularly maintained. BO is to do some strimming and Neil Morris with other residents will help. The scaffold poles used as a fence barrier need to be replaced.	Noted / BO
7.7	Maureen also stated that Network Rail replacement coaches seem to be using Bayford lane again.	Noted
7.8	Neville Hudson said that there is now difficulty for residents to park at the station as the car park is full during the week.	Noted
7.9	Bill Brace – the pavements in the village have been resurfaced but already weeds are growing through.	Noted
8.0	Date and time of Next Meeting 27 th June – BPC meeting 5 th September – BPC meeting 21st November – BPC meeting All meetings on a Monday at 8.00pm There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.35pm	

Signed..... **Date**.....

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