

BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Confidential

LOCATION
Bayford Village Hall

DATE
26th March 2015

PURPOSE OF MEETING
Parish Assembly

PRESENT

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

CIRCULATION

Above listed

| ITEM | MINUTE | ACTION |
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| 1.0 | Apologies | |
| 1.1 | None | |
| 2.0 | Introduction by the Chairman | |
| 2.1 | The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. | |
| 3.0 | Chairman's Report | |
| 3.1 | <p>War Memorial renovation now complete and everyone very impressed with the standard of work carried out. Thanks to JH and GR for taking charge of getting the work done. No money had been forthcoming from the War Memorial Trust but EHDC have today given £1500.00 towards the cost of the project. BPC thank David Sitwell for being our internal auditor and also to David Broomer and MB for doing the groundwork first. It is still hoped to move the playground later this year. The Bayford Gardens Open Day held in June 2014 made a substantial profit helped by the good weather bringing out large crowds. Paul Smith is still hoping to get faster broadband for the village but progress is very slow. Broad Green Quarry – this was turned down by EHDC and also on appeal. There was a lot of hardwork behind the scenes in getting this verdict – thanks to all. GR still pursuing the overfilling of Bunkers. Yellow lines at the station and the school have finally been painted. Bridleway Ashdene Road – is proving a great benefit to those that are using it. On one section completion has been delayed while old drawings are located. BPC have to agree to it being designated a public bridleway. Finally the Chairman thanked all councillors and the clerk for the continuing work and support for the past year.</p> | Noted |
| 4.0 | Any Other Business | |
| 4.1 | Village Clean Up – thanks to GR for organising a successful event again. Paul Curson doing a good job on a monthly basis keeping the village clean between the village sign boundaries. | Noted |
| 4.2 | The trees in the playground still need some maintenance but due to personal problems it is difficult to get Peter Musk to do this at present. | Noted |

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| 4.3 | Bunkers Quarry – concern at County level is still being expressed re the massive overfilling of this quarry, this was highlighted at a recent meeting with AF, GR, Annie Willoughby and County. The data submitted by Frank Lyons is not a true picture of the actual work being carried out on site. An independent 3 rd party survey is to take place at the end of April but the applicant does not want this to take place. BPC councillors voted unanimously to support the original planning application and its contours not what is happening now. LH suggested when writing to County again to also to add that overtipping a major problem so that enforcement should be instigated. | Noted |
| 4.4 | Garages by school entrance – Jackie Laycock Neighbourhood Officer at Riversmead met with JH and LH re the problems of part of the area being used as a car workshop. A letter has been received today stating that the car with no number plate will be forcibly removed. Jackie Fulcher and other local residents have been asked to keep a diary documenting car movements and noise. There is also a deep pothole half way down the drive which no one is taking responsibility to repair it. There is still a problem with litter created on and around the drive by school children and parents. | Noted |
| 4.5 | Bill Brace stated that the rose triangle needs maintenance. The ideal answer would be kerbing but in the event of an accident BPC would be liable. Posts are the only solution. | Noted |
| 4.6 | Drains not being emptied or properly maintained are still a problem. This work is supposed to be carried out every year but there is no evidence of this happening. MW was grateful that at last the manhole cover down Bayford Lane had been repaired. | Noted |
| 4.7 | It was agreed to renew the grass cutting contract with John O'Connor again this year.. | Noted |
| 4.8 | JH asked what the road repairs in Ashendene Road scheduled from sometime in April – September were but no-one knew. | Noted |
| 4.9 | Rumballs Hump – new lighting has been installed and none of the raised concerns highlighted in previous planning applications have been followed through. MW to find original letter and write to planning again. | |
| 4.10 | MB has asked if BPC would fund replacement fencing on the sharp bend in Bayford Lane just down from the church – this was agreed. | |
| 5.0 | Date and Time of Next Meeting | |
| 5.1 | Next meeting is the Annual Meeting on Thursday 30 th April 2015 at 8.00pm | |
| 5.2 | There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.05pm. | |

Signed.....

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