

BAGINTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 4th February 2021 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

Councillor	Wallace Redford	County Councillor
Councillor	Pam Redford	District Councillor
Councillor	Julie Keightley	Chairman
Councillor	Chris Goodwin	Vice Chairman
Councillor	Robert Taylor	
Councillor	Walter Bush	
Councillor	Steve Williams	
Councillor	Rob Newman	
Councillor	David Hwer	
Councillor	Mike Meakin	
Councillor	Roger Horsfall	

Clerk Phil Clark.

Public 4 members of the public were present.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm, welcoming those present.

1953. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, APOOGIES & WELCOME

1953.1 Declarations of interest were sought and none were declared.

1953.2 The following had apologised:- Councillor Trevor Wright District Councillor

1954. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

1954.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held via ZOOM on 7th January 2021, having been circulated, were approved without amendment. Proposed by Councillor Keightley & seconded by Councillor Newman.

1955. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WALLACE REDFORD

- 1955.1 Councillor Redford confirmed that 6 more deaths had been recorded that day in the County but the district rate is steadily falling, especially in the over 60s. However, 6 Leamington Wards are in the top 10 'hotspots' for infection.
- 1955.2 Since opening, the Pound Lane COVID testing centre has dealt with over 10,000 tests.
- 1955.3 Stoneleigh Park has now opened as a mass vaccination centre. WCC Highways and HS2 have both agreed to stop any construction work in the area that would close local roads and make it more difficult for resident to get to Stoneleigh Park.
- 1955.4 The Mega Lab scheduled for Leamington is now advertising vacancies.
- 1955.5 All WCC care home residents and staff, plus hospital and ancillary workers who requested a vaccination have received one.
- 1955.6 When questioned raised, Councillor Redford confirmed that the WCC care homes he was aware of could receive visitors provided an appointment is made and strict COVID restrictions are followed, but he could not comment on care homes in other areas.
- 1955.7 Councillor Horsfall raised concerns about a pothole outside Oak Close, which Councillor Redford confirmed had been reported and scheduled for repair.
- 1955.8 Several Councillors raised issues with blocked drains in Baginton. Councillor Keightley highlighted that with so much rain and flooding across the district, those areas were being prioritised above areas that were not flooding, which is why Church Road has been addressed.

1955.9 Councillor Hewer highlighted standing water by the Buckingham compound on Bubbenhall Road. Councillor Keightley pointed out that Buckingham had already contacted us, having discovered that the problem was caused when a local land owner diverted run-off water, which over whelmed the ditch and caused the road to flood. Buckingham is in contact with WCC Highways to try to resolve the issue.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Redford for his report.

1956.REPORTS FROM WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

1956.1 Councillors Hewer & Horsfall asked whether WDC Planning would be adopting the ideas that planning notices would only be issued electronically rather than the placing of hard-copies on the site. Councillor Redford said they would not. Planning notices will continue to be placed on site, sent directly to near neighbours, advertised in newspapers and held electronically on the WDC website in order to maximise coverage.

1956.2 Councillor Williams thanked Councillor Redford for her work investigating the new bungalow adjoining No. 12 Coventry Road. Councillor Redford confirmed that the resident has 6 weeks to apply for a variation of the build. Councillor Keightley confirmed that the garage application at No. 12 Coventry Road was still live and no decision had yet been made.

The Chairman thanked Councillors Redford for her report.

1957. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD.

1957.1 A member of the public contacted WCC directly and asked if additional parking could be installed for residents of Rowley Road. The Parish Council agreed, provided the trees planted in the area were not compromised and the development was in keeping with the practical needs. **Councillor Wallace Redford has offered to meet with residents.**

1957.2 Excessive litter was discussed and it was suggested that Buckingham and UKBIC sites may be responsible for much of the litter and other debris. It was suggested that this was contributing to litter spreading further into Baginton. They should be cleaning up their sites. **Clerk to contact Buckingham, SEGRO and UKBIC.**

1957.3 A member of the public stated that the expanse of Frances Road kerbstones dislodged by an HGV had now been replaced and also asked both if the HGV Company responsible had been contacted and if an 'unsuitable for HGV' or similar sign could be installed. Councillor Keightley highlighted the Company details are with WCC debt recovery team and Councillor Wallace Redford said he would look into signage.

1958. SOUTH OF COVENTRY (SoC) DEVELOPMENTS

1958.1 Buckingham has agreed to restrict their contractors parking opposite houses on Rowley Road and to repair damage already caused to the verges.

1958.2 WCC Solicitors have confirmed that provided the ANPR system is registered and managed in line with ICO regulations, it is legal on a public highway. SEGRO reiterated that residents' number plates would not be retained by the ANPR system and no 'footprint' of their movements would exist. Councillor Keightley confirmed with Councillors that they had no further questions about this.

1958.3 SEGRO agreed with our suggestion about when the ANPR system should operate and would be happy to propose that it is initiated to address issues on an 'as needed' basis, provided WDC, Bubbenhall and Stoneleigh Parish Councils agree. **Clerk to submit a formal request to WDC Planning**

1958.4 Buckingham has acknowledged standing water along Bubbenhall Road and are addressing the issue with County Highways and local landowners.

- 1958.5 Councillor Pam Redford identified the location of 2 planned ANPR cameras, one on the Haul Road and one at the entrance to the Gateway South site. **Clerk to circulate.**
- 1958.6 Councillor Goodwin highlighted noisy works to the side of The Oak pub and asked what was being done and how long it would go on for. **Clerk to contact Buckingham.**
- 1958.7 Councillor Goodwin reiterated that once the Haul Road becomes operational, very little traffic will make the extra effort to use the village roads. The Haul Road is effectively a very efficient by-pass for Baginton.

1959. POLICE MATTERS.

- 1959.1 Police confirmed that all 18 residents who put their name forward as part of the Community Speed Watch have passed the suitability assessment, but COVID restrictions are preventing their training from being started.
- 1959.2 The new Policing Priority vote went live on 21st January, with Baginton seeking extra Anti Social and Drug Patrols.
- 1959.3 Further patrols regarding off-road bikes on land behind the Old Mill have been undertaken. A new access to the land has been identified and will be addressed.
- 1959.4 Speed checks continued along Coventry Road during December and January, with several notices being issued to speeding drivers.

1960. BAGINTON EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

- 1960.1 End of year accounts have been completed and approved.

1961. AIRPORT MATTERS

- 1961 Flights are currently only being allowed via appointment.

1962. PLANNING

a. The following planning decisions were received since the last meeting.

b. To note applications awaiting WDC decision.

- i. W/20/0020 – Reserved matters related to scale, layout, appearance, lighting, landscaping etc of the car showroom in Zone 2 of the Whitley South (Rowley Road) development. Circulated to Councillors on 15th February. **NEUTRAL** response reported 25th February along with a letter of concern regarding the timing of the showroom development, which was to support the new JLR technology campus.
- ii. W/20/0808 - Affordable housing at Rosswood Farm, Coventry Road. **NEUTRAL** response reported 6th July. **NEUTRAL** response reiterated on 13th November, reiterating our previous reservations.
- iii. W/20/1483 – Reserved matters related to appearance, layout, parking, lighting, landscaping etc. for office building on Zone 3 of Whitley South (SEGRO Offices). Circulated to Councillors on 30th September with **NEUTRAL** response reported 19th October.
- iv. W/20/1404 – Retrospective application for a miniature railway at Russell’s Garden Centre, Mill Hill. Circulated to Councillors 28th October. **SUPPORT** response issued 13th November.
- v. W/20/1541 – Garage at No.12 Coventry Road. Circulated to Councillors 21st November with **OBJECTION** issued 9th December.
- vi. W/20/1901 – Application regarding reserved matters from W/18/0522 in relation to landscape bunding. Circulated to Councillors on 7th December. **NEUTRAL** response issued 18th December.
- vii. W/20/1842 – Removal of ‘agricultural occupancy only’ condition for Stag’s Head Farm. Circulated to Councillors on 15th December. **SUPPORT** issued 29th December. **WITHDRAWN** 2nd February 2021.

c. New planning applications or planning matters received since the last meeting - None

1963 HIGHWAY MATTERS.

Summary of known Highways issues, by area.

Major Matters reported previously and awaiting action

None

1. Minor Matters reported previously and awaiting action from 18 locations

- Andrews Close
- Bosworth Close
- Bubbenhall Road (excluding area at stables& Oakey Hill)
- Bubbenhall Road at Stables
- Church Road
- Coventry Road – Blocked drain @ Greenthatch
- Frances Road
- Friends Close
- Kimberley Road
- Hall Drive
- Holly Walk
- Mill Hill
- Mylgrove
- Oak Close – Standing Water at Road Junction
- Roman Way – Light fixed
- Rowley Road
- Stoneleigh Road
- Underhill Close

1963.1 WCC Highways leaf blowing staff was seen working in the village on 11th January.

1963.2 The street cleaner operated in Baginton on 12th January.

1963.3 Notice was received regarding progress with the cycle path and footpath down Rowley Road to the mini roundabout.

1963.4 The drains on Church Road have been cleared, but heavy rain still left standing water at the end of Oak Close.

1963.5 Councillors Horsfall and Hewer raised concerns about the volume of litter along the verges between Baginton, Bubbenhall and Stoneleigh. Councillor Pam Redford highlighted that COVID restrictions has reduced the staff available and has curtailed the types of jobs that can be undertaken. It was also highlighted how dangerous collecting rubbish from country lanes can be and that COVID has also caused volunteer groups to suspend their plans to clear verges.

1963.6 Councillor Hewer highlighted that the edges of B roads in the area were being eroded by increases in traffic both directly as a result of construction traffic and because so many roads are closed, the remaining roads are seeing large increases in traffic. Councillor Wallace Redford sympathised, but the approved approach is to use compacted aggregate to rebuild road edges. Country roads will not be actively widened. **Councillor Hewer to supply Councillor Redford with locations and pictures and MUST report the issue to HS2 (Jonathan Lord).**

1964 OPEN SPACE.

1964.1 A proposal to place dog fouling warnings stencils on pavements was approved by Councillors. WDC dog warden notified.

1964.2 Councillor Taylor asked what was happening with land between The Church and Holly Walk. Councillor Keightley said that as far as she was aware it was still for sale.

1965 GRANTS – None to report.

1966. HOUSING & GENERAL MATTER. None to report.

1967. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

a.	To advise Bank balances as at 25/01/2021	
	HSBC treasurers (community) account: -	£ 1961.94
	HSBC savings (BMM) account: -	£ 32530.76
	Total.....	£ 34492.70

Data as of 1st April 2020 (as within end of year accounts).

Nominally ring fenced Monies	£1330.29
Committed Funds (Lucy Price Playground)	£15000.00
Underlying Council Reserves.....	£12630.43

b. To confirm items for payment:-

	Value	Cheque No.
Clerk's salary (37 hour per month @ NJC Level 7 –(£418.47)	£418.47	102055
PR Thompson Invoice #0128	£300.00	102056
Un-cashed Cheques - None		
Cash needed in Current Account (Inc Un-presented cheques)	£718.47	

c. To note our precept request was issued to WDC on 11th January.

d. To note the Annual Governance meeting with the Finance Committee will be held virtually. **Clerk to circulate possible dates.**

1968. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS.

1968.1 The WCC Local Transport Key Theme Consultation was circulated on 23rd January, with response required by 18th March.

1969. BROCHURES AND DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR PURUSAL

i. Clerks & Councils Direct – January 2021.

1970. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

i. A new litter picker has been appointed.

1971 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting: **Thursday 4th March 2021** @ 7.30pm, Baginton Village Hall or via virtual meeting (to be confirmed)

1972 The meeting closed at 8:24pm.