

BAGINTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2021 AT VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:

Councillor	Pam Redford	District Councillor
Councillor	Julie Keightley	Chairman
Councillor	Chris Goodwin	Vice Chairman
Councillor	Robert Taylor	
Councillor	Walter Bush	
Councillor	Roger Horsfall	
Councillor	Rob Newman	
Councillor	Steve Williams	
Councillor	David Hewer.	

Clerk	Phil Clark.
Public	7 members of the public were present.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:30 and welcomed those present.

2087. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, APOLOGIES & WELCOME

2087.1 Declarations of interest were sought and Councillor Hewer highlighted an ongoing interest in planning item W/21/1313.

2087.2 The following had apologised: - Councillor Mike Meakin
 Councillor Wallace Redford - County Councillor
 Councillor Trevor Wright - District Councillor

2088. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

2088.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 7th October 2021, having been circulated, were approved without amendment. Proposed by Councillor Keightley & seconded by Councillor Williams.

2089. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WALLACE REDFORD

2089.1 Councillor Wallace Redford had apologised, but had sent a report via a colleague.

2089.2 An update was received on COVID, indicating that positive numbers had increased, including hospital admissions, but fatalities were fewer within the region.

2089.3 Councillors Hewer and Horsfall drew attention to observed failings in the new Stoneleigh Road / Coventry Road layout, including speed signs placed too late within the Village and asked whether a 30mph speed restriction can be brought in on the Stoneleigh Road just before Smiths Garden Centre. **Clerk to submit formal request to Councillor Redford**

2089.4 Issues were again raised regarding poor road surface around Rosswood Farm Bungalow. **Clerk to forward photographs to Councillor Redford.**

The Chairman thanked Councillor Redford for the report.

2090.REPORTS FROM WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2090.1 Councillor Pam Redford highlighted that the Malaysian Delegation were impressed with the Leamington Spa bowling facilities for the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

2090.2 The advertising board adjacent to 'The Maze' was discussed, and Councillor Redford confirmed it does require advertising permission so has been passed to enforcement.

- 2090.3 The noise from UKBIC was discussed, with Councillor Pam Redford highlighting she had directly approached the owners about the noise issues and asked for temporary acoustic fencing to be installed. A response is expected soon from the Health, Safety and Environmental Manager at UKBIC.
- 2090.4 Councillor Williams raised concerns about the slip road onto the A45 eastbound from the new bridge over the A45. Visibility for traffic is poor leading to danger when merging. As the road is outside the parish, Councillor Williams will contact Highways England with his concerns.
- 2090.5 Recycling of 'Key items', was raised at the last meeting and still needs to be clarified
- 2090.6 There is a new third sector grant scheme that has started with grants up to £12500 available.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Redford for her report.

2091. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD.

- 2091.1 A member of the public highlighted overgrown vegetation on Mill Hill opposite the allotments, that was impinging on the pavement. The Clerk confirmed that the issue had been reported.
- 2091.2 A member of the public proposed that 'blocked drains' existed on Mill Hill and Coventry Road. The Chairman highlighted that leaves congregating on the grill will have restricted the flow in the heavy rain, but the drains themselves are not blocked.
- 2091.3 A resident highlighted that 'Give Way' on Frances Road were set too far back. Councillor Keightley highlighted it was authorised by WCC Highways and was positioned to allow HGVs a safe turning circle at the junction, but it was agreed that cutting back the resident's vegetation may improve visibility **Clerk to action.**
- 2091.4 A member of the public working on the airport site asked for the Parish Council to join them in a media campaign against the proposed Gigafactory. It was confirmed that we had objected and it would be worthwhile for the airport businesses to actively enlist support from residents. Councillor Taylor invited the attendee to write an article for publication in the Newsletter.

2092. SOUTH OF COVENTRY (SoC) DEVELOPMENTS

- 2092.1 WDC Environmental Health continues to explore whining noises, currently attributed to the UKBIC development. Councillor Pam Redford is also pursuing this item on behalf of residents and has written directly to UKBIC asking them to consider further soundproofing.
- 2092.2 Completion of the works on the Bubbenhall Road was delayed by 2 days due to Tarmac laying issues.
- 2092.3 Works on the Stoneleigh Road were completed 24 hours ahead of schedule and the road re-opened on the evening of 28th October.

2093. POLICE MATTERS.

- 2093.1 Police continue to perform speed checks on Mill Hill.
- 2093.2 A new Policing Priority needs to be submitted to the next Community Forum for consideration. High visibility patrols to be requested. **Clerk to action.**

2094. BAGINTON EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

- 2094.1 The film 23 Walks was held on 29th October.
- 2094.2 A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood will be shown on 26th November.
- 2094.3 The Bonfire Event will be held on 6th November. The Risk Assessment has been submitted and accepted by our Insurers.
- 2094.4 Baginton Lions are arranging for BE to have their storage container.

2095. AIRPORT MATTERS

2095.1 It was noted that there was a significant increase in light traffic activity on the airport site. Councillor Horsfall suggested a meeting with the Consultative Committee would be beneficial prior to the scheduled meeting in February.

2096. PLANNING

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

2096.1 W/21/1282 – Signage on the UKBIC site, Rowley Road. **SUPPORT** response issued 26th August. **GRANTED** 8th October.

b. To note applications awaiting WDC decision.

- 2096.2 W/21/1370 – Outline planning application with all matters reserved apart from access for the development of battery manufacturing facility with ancillary battery recycling capability including landscaping, car parking, access and associated works, Coventry Airport. **OBJECTION** reported 20th September.
- 2096.3 W/21/0558 – Erection of 1 bungalow. 4 the Smallholdings, Stoneleigh Road. **OBJECTION** issued 8th September.
- 2096.4 W/21/1313 – Two dwellings on former Sunday School site on Church Road, Baginton. **SUPPORT** issued 8th September.
- 2096.5 W/21/1443 – Position, access, appearance, layout, landscaping and scale of the primary substation – Gateway South, Coventry Airport. **OBJECTION** reported 3rd October.
- 2096.6 W/21/1527 - Position, access, appearance, layout, landscaping and scale of the first plot 4A on Gateway South, Coventry Airport. **NEUTRAL** response reported 10th October.
- 2096.7 W/21/0711 – Erection of a single storey dwelling, The Granary, Church Road. **NEUTRAL** response reported 10th October.
- 2096.8 W/21/1655 – Reserved matters relating to the Gateway South Community Park. **NEUTRAL** response reported 10th October.
- 2096.9 W/21/1077 – Extension of welfare block, canopy for main entrance, flagpole and branded signage. Walkers Snack Food, Middlemarch Business Park. **SUPPORT** reported 10th October.
- 2096.10 W/21/1591 – 1st storey rear extension – No. 74 Mill Hill. **SUPPORT** reported 10th October.

c. New planning applications or planning matters received since the last meeting.

None.

2096.11 Councillor Hewer complained about the lack of response from officers from the planning department and Councillor Redford agreed that she had problems contacting officers working from home. The situation is the responsibility of the Chief Executive. **Clerk to contact the Chief Executive to complain.**

2097 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 – **Lamp out at Old Rectory.**

- Coventry Road
- Frances Road
- Friends Close
- Kimberley Road –
- Hall Drive
- Holly Walk
- Mill Hill
- Mylgrove – Lamp Out
- Oak Close
- Roman Way – Lamp post at entrance out
- Rowley Road
- Stoneleigh Road
- Underhill Close

2097.1 Further notice and updates of Bubbenhall Road and Stoneleigh Road closures were circulated to Councillors on 23rd October.

2098 OPEN SPACE.

2098.1 Councillor Taylor attended a WALC training course on Playground Inspection and Maintenance on 8th October.

2098.2 An update was received on progress with the Lucy Price Playground renovations. The Chairman asked for thanks to be conveyed to the project team for their work so far.

2098.3 The hedges along Kimberley Road and along the Lucy Price Playground were cut week commencing 18th October.

2099 GRANTS – None to report.

2100. HOUSING & GENERAL MATTER. None to report.

2101 FINANCIAL MATTERS.

a. To advise Bank balances as at 30/10/2021

HSBC treasurers (community) account: -	£ 16465.01
HSBC savings (BMM) account: -	£ 24000.26
Total.....	£ 40465.27

Data as of 1st April 2021 (as within end of year accounts).

Nominally reserved Monies	£1330.29
Nominally Committed Funds (Lucy Price Playground)	£15000.00
Underlying Council Reserves.....	£16216.69

b. To confirm items for payment: -

	Value	Cheque No.
Clerk's salary (37 hours @ NJC Level 7 - £418.47)	£418.47	102100
Thompsons Invoice #0174	£560.77	102101
Reid's Playground Maintenance Ltd #4621	£8158.50	102102
Reid's Playground Maintenance Ltd #4643	£189.00	102103
Thompsons # 156	£560.77	102104
Thompsons # 182	£480.00	102015
Un-cashed Cheques – (102095,102096,102097,102098)	£1201.24	
Cash needed in Current Account	£11468.75	

- i. The Draft Budget will be circulated for consideration prior to the next meeting.
- ii. We thank the Lucy Price Relief in Need Charity for their contribution of £5827.50 towards the first of the Playground invoices.
- iii. In addition to the ongoing maintenance that will be included in the budget, the Council decided that further funds should be allocated for refurbishment of the Playground to allow a replacement fund to build up over the lifetime of the new equipment.

2102. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS.

2102.1 A draft consultation on changes to WCC Highways verge cutting was circulated to Councillors on 17th October. Closing date was 1st November and Councillors were invited to respond as individuals.

2103 BROCHURES AND DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR PURUSAL

- i. Warwickshire Outlook – Autumn 2021

2104 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

None

2105 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting: **Thursday 2nd December 2021** @ 7.30pm, Baginton Village Hall.

2106 CLOSE The meeting closed at 8:19pm