

BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th February 2015

PRESENT: John Godbold (Chairman) Dean Upton Rhian Dolby Julie Lacey
Fenella Jarvis Monica Pelling Heather Nicholson

Cllr Brian Laming (WCC)
Cllr Patrick Fancett (WCC)
Cllr Phil Bailey (HCC) – after item 1287

Clerk: - Vivienne A Brooks

1282. Apologies.

Simon Fletcher

1283. Minutes of the Meeting of 12th January 2015

The minutes as amended will be reissued and signed.

1284. Reports and Recommendations from Working Parties

a) Police

Two reports have been received and circulated previously.

b) Open Space

WCC Officers will be attending the March meeting of this council to discuss Whiteshute Ridge and the idea of native wildlife planting. Natural England has visited the Ridge to compile their report.

Maps will be made available for the Lengthsman so that each Councillor can report their works via a detailed map.

Harrowdown was discussed and the issue of fly tipping on the site.

c) Planning

(i) The 3 applications were:- W18427/01
56, Lowden Close
Demolish existing conservatory and replace.

W24086
18 Broadchalke Down
Demolish shed and replace with a log cabin

Sainsbury's supermarket
Retrospective illuminated sign.

The council was not minded to object to any application.

(FJ) observed that with an increase (20%) of housing being rented the occupants do not make any comments on adjoining applications.- Noted

d) Play Equipment

- (i) "In-house" fortnightly play equipment inspections have not been received this month.

Equip	Defect	Action	Risk
Central Kick about			
Trim Trail	Timber uprights are showing signs of rot and need replacing shortly, we need ropes replaced on the metal top bar,	Replace	C
Davis Kick about			
Swings	Wobbly base legs. See note below	Replace asap	C

The report has not changed from last month. Do we wish to use WCC for the annual check this year at £31.50 per site? This was agreed.

We are still trying to find someone to clear the algae off the play areas

The questionnaire is in the next issue of the Community News and (DU) is asked to compile a survey monkey survey the closing date will be the end of March 2015.

Council **AGREED** that these defects should be monitored.

e) Transport

(RD) Circulated a report she has spoken to Colin Wright who will consult with us better next time. The landslip at Leamington Spa is causing delays to trains from Winchester to via Leamington Spa to Coventry.

f) Communications

(DU) sent the Clerk a copy of the recent questionnaire to the Clerk to hold with the minutes.

- (g) Parish Lengthsman – Is not due.

(h) Community Centre Lease Compliance.

(BL) reports that he is in the process of changing the strip lights from florescent to LED's the payback period is believed to be 12/14 months. The council discussed the issue of lighting and the benefits of LED over other lighting.

New gates to the car park need fitting, and other expenses so the centre will be asking for a grant to include the community news annual grant.

- (i) Whiteshute Ridge.
The Clerk has a quotation from Greensmile for maintenance next year and the works are cheaper than last year – the Clerk is asked to accept the quotation which will need to be done for at least another 12 months.
- (k) City Council – Brian Laming, Patrick Fancett.
Ongoing works on Badger Farm Road and a traffic survey is ongoing.
- (l) Notice Board rep – all is going well.
- m). Newsletter Rep
(i) Issue has been prepared and it is with the printers. There is a link to the website for the questionnaire and to survey monkey.

1285. Play Areas – Meeting of 26th January 2015

Has been covered previously.

1286. Correspondence

1. E-update HALC –copied previously
2. Urgent sewer repairs St Cross Road/St Michaels Road starts 13/2 – copied previously
3. Copy letter to Office of the Police Crime Commissioner for Hampshire/2 emails and two reports.
4. Do we wish an annual playground report by WCC at £31.50 per report – noted above?

1284 (J) County Council report. – Cllr Bailey.

Online is the Hampshire County Council Access Plan that closes on the 31st March 2015 please take a look at it and comment if required.

Telephone numbers have all changed at the County the general number is 0300 555 1375 a report will be circulated.

The highways walkabout will be arranged in the next couple of weeks and (JG) will attend if he is able to.

1287. Finance/Accounts to be paid as Listed.

Accounts to be paid as Listed

	£
001741 Littleton Landscapes/Fungicidal washes	20.00
001742 Dave Denby/Whiteshute tree works	3650.00
001743 V A Brooks salary/Exp	450.58

The accounts were agreed and the cheques were signed and the bank statement signed by **(JG)**

1288. Councillors Questions.

(BL) The new hospital plans were unveiled for 10 acres at North Waltham, the owners of the site , we understand have purchased 50 acres so there is concern at what they intend to do with the other 40 acres. The Clinical Commissioning Group have not met and will not do so until after the election, however the application will go in before the decision by the (CCG). We have had no firm decision regarding RHCH or the Southampton general hospital and whilst it is 18 minutes away from Badger Farm by car, there is no public transport there. Plus the outlying villages would find it harder to reach than RHCH.

It is understood that the A&E's will not be affected but the maternity and cancer specialities is in doubt.

We have been promised a public meeting in Winchester at a date to be decided.

(FJ) asked if we had heard from the old Clerk – No.

(HN) invited Councillors to help her celebrate a big birthday and the meeting closed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed

Date