

BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th October 2015

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

Clerk: - Vivienne A Brooks

WCC – Brian Laming

1334. Apologies- Cllr Heather Nicholson

1335. Minutes of the Meeting of September 14th 2015

The minutes were signed by the Chairman (**JG**)

1336. Reports and Recommendations from Working Parties

a) Police

Many thanks to Sandy Vining who's reports have been circulated to all Councillors. The Clerk will deal with future emails by correspondence only.

b). Open Spaces

The grass has been cut at last. (BL) felt that the cut length is too long and has had a word with the compliance officer at WCC.

(BL) at the end of Ivy Close the bollards are being repositioned to ensure that there can be no vehicular access.

Trampoline, if it is still in situ the Clerk will word a new letter.

c) Planning

Leaflets have started going out and will be finished shortly. The applications in Rooks Down Road and Kestrel Close are going through Planning. Please get your objections in and we await the decisions with concern. Council thanked Cllr Upton for his work on these two applications and leaflets. The Chairman (JG) does know the applicant at Kestrel Close and informed Council of this fact but he does not have a code of conduct interest.

If these applications are refused we will ask the Enforcement Officer for immediate compliance.

d) Play Equipment

(i)

| Equip | Defect | Action | Risk |
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| Central Kick about | | | |
| Wicksteed cradle swings 2 no seats need monitoring | | | |
| Multi play toddler unit is delaminating and need replacing | | | |

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| Davis Kick about |
| Nothing to report |

Council **AGREED** that these defects be monitored

The Chairman had meet with Simon White (Vita Play) on site and he and the Clerk agreed emergency repairs a stepping stone had been removed and its attached to a large spike. The Other stepping stones will be inspected for the same defect (loose in the ground)

- e) Transport
Two new bus services full report circulated previously and held in full with these minutes.
- f) Communications
No report.
- (g) Parish Lengthsman – due next on December 14th
The Clerk listed the works proposed. The shrub planting will need advice and a person to plant; the Clerk will consult with Brambridge Gardens for advice.
- (h) Community Center Lease Compliance
(BL possibly next year the Centre will add solar panels at a cost of £55,000 and will request a £2000 grant. The Clerk will assist with any grant applications that she can.
The pay back term will be 7-8 years and it could make the centre £9000 per annum. If these do not go ahead there will be a total toilet refurbishment. The Center is 30 years old next year and it is hoped to stage something in June to possibly also recognise the Queen’s birthday. In association with Oliver Battery Parish Council. Possibly ending with a BBQ at Whiteshute Ridge?
- i) Whiteshute Ridge.
(BL) there has been a new Officer employed to assist with the transfer of land to the City Council. So hopefully we can get some movement next year. The ecology team are also anxious to put bat boxes in the wooded area alongside the Clarendon Way.
- (j) County Council Report
No report.
- (k) City Council Report – Cllr Fancett
Electrified information bus signs should be working by the end of the month. May Tree Close garages- there will be another working party.

(BL) Pitt Vale will go to committee month end we could have three minutes to speak if needed. The park and ride facility at Winchester Village is of concern with only 20 places to drop off children for school and service people parking to go to work in Winchester.

First Bus seem to be using the estate roads as a rat run for school buses. (BL) to investigate.

(l) Notice Board rep – (JG)
Nothing to report

(m) Newsletter Rep – (JG)
The newsletter will contain something on dog attacks and the need to keep dogs under control and also speeding traffic by locals.

1337 Playground – Instructions on the tender document.

The short list is Lapsett, Hags Play and Sovereign Play (DU) will send the Clerk the questionnaire requirements simplified. We possibly have £40,000 for the first phase and we will try to attract funding and precept for additional funding. It may need two phases to complete Davis play area. Currently the instructions are too vague when (HN) returns we will meet up to discuss the finite details.

1338. Correspondence.

1. Email from Cllr Upton re a planning issue – copied to all Councillors.
2. Report from Cllr Dolby re a dog attacked by a staffie in one of our play areas.
3. A list of planning objections copied to all – (DU)
4. Email from Cllr Dolby re the distribution of planning advice notes from Council
5. Letter of introduction from a rep for Playquest Adventure Play.
6. Sandra Vining Crime reports – circulated to all previously.
7. Lists of enforcement action open and closed – passed (FJ)
8. Winchester City Council devolution newsletter – copied to all previously
9. Email to Clerk from Cllr Laming re tree problem
10. E Mail copied to all from Cllr Upton re planning issues.

1339. Finance/Reports to be Paid as Listed.

(a) Accounts to be paid as Listed

| | | £ |
|---------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 001773 | Vita Play Ltd safety checks | 76.80 |
| 0001774 | D Denby (Whitshute trees) | 1200.00 |
| 001775 | Inland revenue (3 Months) | 286.80 |
| 001776 | v a Brooks Salary/Exp | 454.13 |

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| Balances | Carry Forward | 51484.10 | |
| | Income | 37176.32 | |
| | Expenditure | 8340.25 | Balance £80,320.17 to statement 272. |
| | Less above cheques | £78,302.44 | |

We did receive the other half of the precept this month.
The accounts were agreed and the cheques signed.

(b) Precept – Budget requirements for 2016/17

The Clerk issues the budget for the second quarter to 30th September. As we can see we do have funds in hand but we do need amounts extra for the playarea works and the Community Center plans. Please let the Clerk have any amounts required to allow us to look at the figures next month.

1340. Councillors Questions.

(JG) Would council consider limiting the amount of years that a Chairman stands to three years? This will be an agenda item, next month.

(FJ) Devolution there is a meeting on the 20th October at the Guildhall that she will attend on our behalf.

(MP) Apologies for the next meeting.

(DU) Residents are required to erect the orange signs as part of their planning compliance; if they aren't up we can inform the City Council.

(JL) We could have a sign to "GO SLOW" on the road entrance near Larkhill Rise that should slow traffic down. This request has gone forward to Cllr Bailey.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:17 pm

Next Meeting November 9th 2015

Signed

Date