



BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th October, 2021 at
7.30 p.m. in the Main Hall, Stanmore Primary School**

Members Present: Cllr Julie Lacey – Chairman, Cllr Helen Barlass, Cllr Ali Cochrane,
Cllr John Godbold, Cllr Fenella Jarvis, Cllr Jackie Johnston

In attendance: Mrs. Christine Howe (Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer)

By invitation: Cllr Jan Warwick, (HCC & WCC) Cllrs Laming and Williams (WCC)

Public question time - the public are invited to speak for 3 mins each on a topic relevant to this parish or an item on the agenda – total time allowed for the public session is 15 mins.

The Chairman opened the meeting.

60/21 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Dolby, Cllr McColl, Cllr Williams.

61/21 Declaration of Interests - To receive Declarations of Interests in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011

Cllr Godbold declared an interest in Item 69/21 Planning – 58 Honeysuckle Close.

62/21 Minutes - To approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 13th September, 2021

BFPC agreed the minutes of 13th September, 2021 were a true record of the meeting providing; Item 58/21: Chat tea Cafémust provide their own dedicated bank account is omitted due to some Councillors not hearing it and, Chat Tea Café to consider using environmentally friendly utensils when purchasing disposable cutlery and plates.

63/21 Chairman's report

The Chairman did not have anything to report which was not covered in the Agenda items.

64/21 To receive the monthly report from HCC Member, Cllr Jan Warwick

The report was circulated prior to meeting. Cllr Warwick expanded on her report about the planning consultation. The responses are still being reviewed as an unexpected amount which had been received. A new recycling initiative to provide articles of furniture etc. from recycling for other members of the public which will reduce waste. Recommended cllrs look at the HCC's cabinet paper on Climate change, the environment and sustainability if they are interested. Food waste is to go to a biomass to reduce further waste.

65/21 To receive the monthly report from WCC Members

The report was circulated to members prior to the meeting. It was noted that the Archaeology Day on 6th October was of interest but unfortunately BFPC did not receive the report in time. Cllr Warwick provided Council with the information on the Local Plan. There were approx. 7,000 responses from the public, far more than was expected, and which were still being assessed.

66/21 Finance

1. To approve the payments for running the parish during September, 2021

Council approved the payments for September, 2021 at £2,283.27

2. To agree the monthly bank statement for September with the bank reconciliation

The Chairman verified the September, 2021 bank statement reconciled at £134,463.90

3. To receive and approve the 2nd quarter budget report

Received and approved.

67/21 To receive the Clerk's report

1. I wrote and thanked the resident who volunteered to lock/unlock the zip-wire and explained Council would not require to take up her kind offer at this time as they are obliged to take account of the majority vote of the residents visited by cllrs. They were all in favour of the zip wire remaining unlocked.

2. The Manager of Sainsburys Mr. Daryl Copper, agreed to put a landscape contract in place to deal with the overgrown shrubs.

3. The solar panel for charging up the batteries of the speed cameras cost £400. The supplier

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would credit BFPC £100 if returned to them. However, it could be mounted permanently in one location, and support an environmentally aware approach This might also be a wiser use of the electorate's money.

4. AVA (playground maintenance contractors) will be commencing remedial work on the playgrounds on Wednesday 13th October.
5. Dog bins – A new employee has been appointed to the job of monitoring the dog bins at WCC and, after a short conversation with him we are being refunded a total of £2,025.
6. Comments from councillors were taken on the change of venue. The Clerk thanked Councillors for their comments and informed them the comments were noted.

68/21 To receive reports from members who attended outside meetings

Cllrs Barlass, McColl and Cochrane attended the Climate Action Day which they found very interesting. The Councillors asked to provide questions for Cllr Dolby to include in the survey.

69/21 To consider planning applications received from WCC

21/02087 – 9 Charfield Close, SO22 4PZ – Convert loft into accommodation, two story Front extension, single story rear extension, alterations to elevations.

Decision: No objection.

21/01995 – 3 Ivy Close, SO22 4QR – erection of shed in back garden to use as an office.

Decision: No objection.

21/02181 – 58 Honeysuckle Close, SO22 4QQ – retrospective – erection of conservatory Further investigation required as there are many factors to consider.

21/02236 – 32 Barley Down Drive, SO22 4LS – Amendment to 20/02241 – amend approved fenestration and addition rooflights in the loft.

No objection

Clerk to notify WCC planning department

CH

70/21 Estate Management

Shrubs behind Swift Close (number 11) need to be removed. Cllr Barlass will report to WCC. Clerk also to report to WCC.

HB

CH

Chairman asked Councillors to inform Cllr Dolby of any shrubs which needed to be cut back. Concern was expressed about the number of cuts on the open spaces on BF. There were problems with the maintenance this year but a new contract is being negotiated with WCC.

SM

71/21 Highways and Recreation

Clerk informed Council the maintenance is to start on Wednesday/Thursday on the playgrounds. The data for average traffic speed is shown to be conservative but a small number were in the Range of 60-70 m.p.h. As one of the sites is obscured by branches, the Lengthsman to be asked to trim the tree back with a councillor in attendance.

CH

Council discussed using the solar panel at the Meadow Way location. Clerk to ask the contractor for a price to erect the panel and inform Councillors.

CH

72/21 To approve locations and purchase of new benches for the parish

Chairman asked Councillors to think of possible bench locations and forward the information to Cllr Cochrane.

ALL

73/21 Receive the report on the wildflower project

Not discussed as Cllr McColl wasn't present.

74/21 Sustainability

Council did not discuss this as a report had not been prepared by anyone.

75/21 Councillors articles for inclusion in the next edition of The Bugle

The Chairman asked all Councillors to send their submissions to Councillor Dolby by 18th October, 2021 at the latest to ensure we meet the copy deadline for the printers.

ALL

76/21 To ratify BFPC's Biodiversity Policy

To be commuted to the November meeting as Cllrs wanted more time to assess the implications.

77/21 Items for inclusion on the Agenda for the November 8th 2021 meeting

1. To discuss and set the budget and precept for 2022/23.
2. Discuss change of venue for Council meetings.
3. Wildflower Project
4. Ratify the Sustainability Policy

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting at 9.30 p.m.

Date of next meeting 8th November, 2021 at 7.30 p.m. in the main hall, Stanmore Primary School

Signed by Chairman.....

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