



BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Parish Council held on 10th October, 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in Badger Farm Community Centre – room to be advised

Members Present: Cllr John Godbold – Chairman,
Cllr. Cochrane, Cllr. Barlass, Cllr. Jarvis, Cllr. McColl, Cllr. Skinner

Minutes were taken by Cllr. Godbold as the Clerk was unwell

Invited: Cllrs. Warwick, Laming, Williams

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.

125/22 To open the meeting

The Chairman welcomed everyone after the extended summer recess and opened the meeting.

126/22 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr. Dolby

127/22 To receive Declarations of Interests in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011

None received.

128/22 Minutes – To approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting on 11th July, 2022

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 11th July, 2022 were approved, adopted and signed as a true record of the meeting. Summer recess in August so no meeting. Due to the state period of mourning following the death of Queen Elizabeth II there was no meeting in September.

129/22 To receive the Chairman's report

The Chairman received a complaint from the residents of 40 and 41 Elder Close regarding W.C.C. owned land behind their back gardens. The Chairman had a site meeting with the residents and agreed the area was very unkempt and needed W.C.C. to attend to it. The Chairman contacted Cllr. Warwick to get the problem resolved. Ms. C. Rogers, Recreation and Projects Officer, W.C.C. has agreed the area of land is W.C.C.'s responsibility and has assured B.F.P.C. the matter will be resolved as soon as is practicable.

The long-awaited tree survey is due to start this week.

The problem with the water hydrant in Ridgeway is now under investigation.

Due to illness, receipt of the Jubilee Bench has been delayed. Council to repurpose the bench as a dedicated memorial to Queen Elizabeth II's reign, the design to be agreed.

The Chairman asked Councillors if they considered a Vice-chairman would be acceptable to provide continuity should the Chairman be on holiday or in the event of sickness and proposed Cllr. McColl, seconded by Cllr. Jarvis. and agreed unanimously. Cllr. McColl accepted the nomination.

The Chairman is concerned about the Local Plan and, in particular, Bushfield Camp. As any plans for this area affects Otterbourne and Oliver's Battery Parish Council as well as Badger Farm, it was suggested all 3 parish councils work together and to keep all residents informed of any future development.

130/22 To receive the report from H.C.C. Member Cllr. Jan Warwick

The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Signed by Chairman.....

12th September, 2022

131/22 To receive the report from W.C.C. Members Cllrs. Warwick, Williams and Laming

The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

132/22 Finance - All items deferred until the November meeting as the Clerk/RFO was absent

133/22 To receive the Clerk's report

1. Cllr. Johnston resigned on 6th September with immediate effect. W.C.C. Democratic Services have been informed and her name removed from B.F.'s list of Councillors on the W.C.C. site and on B.F. website. As is legally required, 'Local Government Act 1972 (Sec. 87(2))', the Notice of Casual Vacancy has been placed onto the notice board and uploaded onto the website. If, after 14 days of the publication of the Notice of Casual Vacancy, no poll is called then Council May proceed to co-opt another Councillor.
2. A complaint has been received from a resident who is unhappy with the grass not being cut on the wildflower area on Harvest Close. The complaint was forwarded to the Chairman for inclusion on the list of complaints about the poor standard of grass cutting on Badger Farm which will be presented to W.C.C. when B.F.P.C. meet them later in the year.
3. The second half of the precept, £30,202.50 was received from W.C.C. on 7th September, 2022.
4. AVA's playground inspection report for August highlighted loose railings posts at the newly installed railings around Lark Hill playground. AVA will continue to monitor the railings and re-set the posts if necessary. As these railings are only recently installed, AVA has agreed not to charge B.F.P.C. for re-setting the posts/railings.
5. H.C.C. working in partnership with Sustrans are to start work on developing a local cycling and walking infrastructure plan (LCWIP) covering the Winchester District. This will follow the same approach used in the Southern Test Valley, Eastleigh, Fareham and Gosport, Havant, Rushmoor and Basingstoke Boroughs. Two on-line workshops took place on 4th and 5th October.
6. Following the sad news of the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, the wording on the Platinum Jubilee bench will need to be changed.

134/22 To receive reports from BFPC Members

(i) Cllr. Skinner: The M3 Junction 9 Improvement

By building new slip roads that connect the M3 and A34 without the need to use Junction 9, the scheme will reduce congestion and improve traffic flows. Pedestrian/cyclist/horse-riding facilities will also be improved.

The Development Consent Order is being submitted in winter 2022 for approval. This is an 18-month process and, if successful, construction is expected to begin late 2024 / early 2025, with completion planned for late 2027.

A significant proportion of the works will be off-road with little to no impact on road users. There will be some overnight closures required to install traffic management, however, diversions through Winchester will be kept to a minimum.

Webpage: [M3 junction 9 improvements - National Highways](#) (subscribe for updates)

Enquiries: m3junction9improvements@nationalhighways.co.uk / info@nationalhighways.co.uk
0300 123 5000

(ii) Cllr. McColl reported the wildflower areas had still not been cut.

135/22 To discuss planning applications received from WCC

22/01510 - 58 St. Annes Close, SO22 4LQ - Shed attached to garage.

BFPC unable to enter a comment as the submission date fell before the meeting.

22/01427 - 10 Ivy Close, SO22 4QR - Two Velux roof lights to front and two to rear of roof to create 4th bedroom in the loft.

Resolved: No objection, submitted 13th September, 2022.

22/01571 - 3 Broad Chalke Down, SO22 4LR - 3m x 2m summerhouse.

Resolved: No objection, submitted 13th September, 2022.

22/01599 - 65 Honeysuckle Cl, SO22 4QQ - Loft conversion with rear flat roof dormer and Velux front windows.

Resolved: No decision was reached as awaiting information from W.C.C. Planning Dept.

22/01653 - 7 Swift Close, SO22 4Q – 3m x 2m summer house

Resolved: No objection, submitted 13th September, 2022.

136/22 Estate Management

Nothing to report.

137/22 Highways

See Item 134/22 (i)

138/22 Playgrounds

See Item 133/22.4

139/22 Discuss terms and conditions for the 2022-23 photographic competition

Council decided to commence the competition next year but on a small scale. Cllr. Skinner to revise the plan and provide costings for the November meeting.

140/22 To discuss holding a garden competition starting next year

Council agreed a feasibility study should be done with the intention of setting a competition in 2023. Cllr. Barlass to report back to Council at the November meeting.

141/22 To discuss holding an advent trail event next Christmas

Council agreed to look at providing an advent trail event for Christmas 2023.

142/22 Items for inclusion on the November Agenda

1. Garden competition.
2. I.T. management.
3. Photographic competition.
4. All finance items deferred from October meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting at 8.55 p.m.

Date of next meeting: 14th November, 2022 to be held in Badger Farm Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.

As the Community Centre requires the door to remain locked at all times, please ring the bell for access.