



BADGER FARM PARISH

COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th April, 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the Whiteshute Room, Badger Farm Community Centre

Members Present: Cllr. Godbold – Chairman
Cllrs. Barlass, Dolby, Jarvis, Johnston and Skinner

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

Invited: Cllrs. Warwick, (H.C.C. & W.C.C.) Williams and Laming (W.C.C.)

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.

No member of the public attended the meeting

50/22 The Chairman opened the meeting

51/22 To accept apologies for non-attendance at the meeting
Cllr. McColl, Cllr. Cochrane, Cllr. Williams

52/22 To receive Declarations of Interests in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011
No declarations of interest were received.

53/22 Minutes – To approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting on 14th March, 2022
Resolved: The minutes of the meeting on 14th March, 2022 were approved and adopted as a true record of the meeting.

54/22 Chairman's report

The Chairman attended a meeting of the Southern Parish Council Chairmen (S.P.C.C.), to discuss the Local Plan and, in particular, the SHELLA sites. There are only two sites that will directly affect Badger Farm and these will be fully considered at our next meeting on, 12th April, 2022 in the Badger Farm Community Centre. I will report back to Council before the next PC meeting, 9th May, 2022. Initially, this group was set up for the Southern parishes only to offer each other support but we decided to expand it to include all parishes which border the city area. This will lend more weight to Parish Councils' findings and comments. It is hoped as a pressure group, we will ensure Parish Councils opinions are heard and taken notice of.

The city planners have been very lax in meeting deadlines for the Local Plan and, as a result, now expect Parish Councils to rush through their consultations which does not allow due consideration to the proposals in order to make up for lost time. Badger Farm Estate is starting to look scruffy again and I hope Winchester City Council will not repeat last year's fiasco.

The question of parking has raised its ugly head again. I was copied in on a letter from residents in Elder Close complaining about rented houses (not HMOs) with multiple tenants and cars taking up more than their share of parking spaces. Unfortunately, their communication was sent anonymously, so we have no point of contact to speak to them and try to resolve the problem.

I attended the Chatty Café which was very enjoyable, and talked to many of the older residents who thought the volunteers were providing a great service to the community. There is some talk of putting on a welcome to any Ukrainian refugees who have been housed in the area but identifying them is proving problematic.

Signed by Chairman.....

11th April, 2022

- 55/22 To receive the report from H.C.C. Member Cllr. Jan Warwick**
Cllr. Warwick gave a verbal report. Written report available on the website and attached.
- 56/22 To receive the report from W.C.C. Members Cllrs. Warwick, Williams and Laming**
The report was circulated prior to the meeting.
- 57/22 Finance**
- 1. To approve the payments for running the parish during March, 2022**
Council approved the payments for March, 2022 at £1,931.71
 - 2. To agree the monthly bank statement for March, 2022 with the bank reconciliation**
The Chairman verified the March, 2022 bank statement reconciled at £113,569.93
 - 3. To receive the end of year accounts**
Received and approved.
 - 4. To receive and discuss the Internal Audit Report 2021/22**
The Internal Auditor reported everything was in order. Received and noted.
 - 5. To approve the internal audit report 2021/22 for submission to the external auditor.**
Approved. Clerk to submit it to the External Auditor. CH
 - 6. To approve Section 1 of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) 2020/21 Annual governance statement of the annual Return for submission to the external auditor.**
Council approved section 1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return and asked Clerk to submit it to the External Auditor. CH
 - 7. To approve Section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22 Accounting statements of the annual return and statement of variances for 2021/22 for submission to the external auditor.**
Council approved section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return and asked Clerk to submit it to the External Auditor. CH
- 58/22 To receive the Clerk's report**
1. The annual Clerk's pay award (2021/22) has been agreed at 1.75%. I am on Sc.pt. 25, 15 hours per week, an increase of £241.80 p.a.
 2. AVA were informed the zipwire needed attention. It is now working properly. They have also been asked to spray the playground surfaces.
 3. Carving of the standing tree trunk - Winchester School of Art unfortunately do not do sculpt wood. I am still waiting for the Prince's Trust to get back to me.
 4. Details of Harry Stubbings' woodwork company were sent to Councillors prior to the meeting. Also, details of a 'chain saw sculpture' who works with wood, details are available if Councillors would like them. Council agreed in principle to order the medium sized English Oak Greyfriars Bench with a carved silhouette of Her Majesty on an inserted back panel. Clerk to put it onto the Agenda for May. CH
- 59/22 To receive reports from B.F.P.C. Members**
Cllr. Dolby has asked all Councillors to send their submissions for the next magazine to her by 2nd May in preparation for printing at the end of May.
Cllr. Dolby has frequently been asked by residents about the history of Badger Farm. The website has a very limited amount of sketchy information available, so Cllr. Dolby will ask one of H.C.C.'s archivists, David Rymill, Hampshire Records Office (H.R.O.), to research and produce a local history article for the Bugle and the Website. In return for producing a local history article, BFPC could offer H.R.O. some good publicity, as our publication will be delivered to over 1,000 residences in Badger Farm. David could also mention the kind of work H.R.O. does: local history, family history, film and sound archives, digitisation work and conservation work which many people are interested in on a personal level. A longer version could be included onto the website. RD
- 60/22 To discuss planning applications received from W.C.C.**
22/00382 – 12 Ashbarn Crescent, SO22 4LW, single storey rear extension.
Comment – No objection. Clerk to inform W.C.C. Planning Department CH
- 61/22 Estate Management**
A new 12 month commences on 4th May. The contract is for 48 hrs. divided up into quarterly visits. These will take place on 15/6/22, 7/9/22, 30/11/22 and 8/3/23. The

responsibility for the Lengthsman visits will now be overseen by the Clerk.
Cllr. Skinner will take over the portfolio for Estate Management from Cllr. Dolby.

62/22 Highways and Recreation:

Highways

The speed camera is having a slight effect on reducing the speed of drivers. Mr. Nelson is to be asked when relocating the camera, to set it in a 'stealth mode' for 2 weeks and then return to normal setting for 2 weeks. This will help in monitoring the effectiveness of the speed camera.

Recreation

AVA to be asked for an update on possible replacement inclusive roundabout.

CH

63/22 To ratify previously agreed (in principle), grant of £19,200 (inc.vat) to BF&OBRCA

Resolved: Council agreed to award BF&OBRCA the grant of £19,200 (inc.vat). BFPC to purchase equipment needed for the renovation.

Cllr. Dolby abstained from the vote as she had not read through all the documents.

64/22 To agree the change the venue to the Community Centre for the monthly meetings to begin with the 9th May '22 Annual Parish Council Meeting

The Community Centre have informed BFPC they now have a room available for BFPC to hire on a regular monthly basis for the Parish Council meetings. Council voted unanimously to return to the Community Centre for their meetings.

Resolved: Council to return to the Community Centre from 9th May 2022.

Clerk to inform Stanmore School BFPC will no longer require their hall for meetings.

CH

65/22 Items for inclusion on the Agenda for the 9th May, 2022 meeting

1. To ratify the purchase of the Harry Stebbings 'Greyfriars' bench to celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked all present and closed the meeting at 8.51.p.m.

The next meeting* on 9th May will take place in the Clarendon Room, Badger Farm Community Centre.

** This is the Annual Parish Council meeting which will follow on immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00 p.m. in the same venue.*