

BAGINTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 3rd DECEMBER 2020 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

Councillor	Wallace Redford	County Councillor
Councillor	Pam Redford	District Councillor
Councillor	Trevor Wright	District Councillor
Councillor	Julie Keightley	Chairman
Councillor	Chris Goodwin	Vice Chairman
Councillor	Robert Taylor	
Councillor	Walter Bush	
Councillor	Steve Williams	
Councillor	Rob Newman	
Councillor	David Hwer	
Councillor	Mike Meakin	
Councillor	Roger Horsfall	

Clerk Phil Clark.

Public 7 members of the public were present.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm, welcoming those present

1913. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, APOLOGIES & WELCOME

1913.1 Declarations of interest were sought and none were declared

1913.2 The following had apologised: None

1914. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

1914.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held via ZOOM on 5th November 2020, having been circulated, were approved without amendment. Proposed by Councillor Keightley & seconded by Councillor Hwer.

1915. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WALLACE REDFORD

1915.1 Councillor Redford updated the Parish Council on COVID cases, highlighting that North Warwick had the highest numbers.

1915.2 A WCC general budget increase of 2% will be permitted by Government, with 3% for Social Care, giving a potential increase of 5% overall.

1915.3 It was confirmed that a £1.4 million Winter Grant was being made available for essentials such as food, heating, lighting etc for qualifying residents.

1915.4 Councillor Redford confirmed that the A46 link road consultation was now live for comments.

1915.5 Councillor Hwer confirmed that he had reported local issues directly to HS2, but had still received no response. Councillor Redford maintained that reporting directly to HS2 was the correct approach.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Redford for his report.

1916.REPORTS FROM WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

- 1916.1 Councillor Trevor Wright confirmed that Warwickshire had been entered into COVID tier 3 category and that grants were available for those businesses affected.
- 1916.2 It was confirmed that the Waste Management 1,2,3 proposal was continuing, but if approved it would not be initiated until 2022 at the earliest.
- 1916.3 Councillor Pam Redford confirmed that Stratford upon Avon had issued evidence that refutes their COVID tier 3 classification and have asked that the government reverse their decision, but no update was currently available.
- 1916.4 It was confirmed that WDC car parks would be free for the Festive Season, but Councillor Redford highlighted that on-street parking and non-WDC parking would still require payments and fines would be issued for illegal parking.

The Chairman thanked Councillors Wright and Redford for their reports.

1917. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD.

- 1917.1 A member of the public reported that drug taking appears to have restarted by the smithy. The resident was advised to report any such antisocial behaviour to Warwickshire police by ringing 101 or via the reporting forms on their website.
- 1917.2 A resident reported that a grant from Western Power Distribution had been used towards the provision of free meals to pensioners, supplied via home delivery under COVID guidelines from The Oak public house.
- 1917.3 A member of the public complained about vehicles parked on pavements. The Chariman confirmed this was a Police matter, not a council matter. Councillor Redford highlighted that the Police would not intervene unless the pavement was completely blocked.
- 1917.4 Councillor Hewer complained about mud along Coventry Road which was not being adequately cleared. **Clerk to report.**

1918. SOUTH OF COVENTRY (SoC) DEVELOPMENTS

- 1918.1 Notice was received that a new road on the Whitley South site will be called **FIREFLY ROAD**.
- 1918.2 The latest Gateway South timeline was circulated to Councillors on 21st November.

1919. POLICE MATTERS.

- 1919.1 Pictures of the new bollards installed on the land behind Mill Hill to prevent off-road activities were circulated to Councillors on 10th November. No trespassing signs have also been put up.
- 1919.2 Councillor Meakin described hearing 'shotgun' sounds on land behind his home. The Clerk has reported it, but highlighted that a 101 call to Police during any incident was the best option.

1920. BAGINTON EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

- 1920.1 The events committee were considering a donation to Coventry Round Table for their 'Santa Parade' through Baginton.

1921. AIRPORT MATTERS

- 1921.1 Councillor Wright reported an increase in air traffic to 4000 movements in previous months, but also highlighted the loss of further jobs from the site.
- 1921.2 Councillor Wright discussed the RNAV guidance system and that the airport were considering whether this was appropriate for them or if alternative aircraft navigation systems would be more suitable.
- 1921.3 No further consultative meetings are planned until March 2021.
- 1921.4 Councillor Horsfall reiterated rumours about the airport site being extensively developed. Councillor Wright expressed that Green Belt regulations would inhibit that process.

1922. PLANNING

- a. **The following planning decisions were received since the last meeting.** None.
- b. **To note applications awaiting WDC decision.**
- i. W/20/0020 – Reserved matters related to scale, layout, appearance, lighting, landscaping etc of the car showroom in Zone 2 of the Whitley South (Rowley Road) development. Circulated to Councillors on 15th February, with response required by 28th February. **NEUTRAL** response reported 25th February along with a letter of concern regarding the timing of the showroom development, which was to support the new JLR technology campus.
 - ii. W/20/0808 - Affordable housing at Rosswood Farm, Coventry Road. **NEUTRAL** response reported 6th July. **NEUTRAL** response reiterated on 13th November, reiterating our previous reservations.
 - iii. W/20/1483 – Reserved matters related to appearance, layout, parking, lighting, landscaping etc. for office building on Zone 3 of Whitley South (SEGRO Offices). Circulated to Councillors on 30th September with **NEUTRAL** response reported 19th October.
 - iv. W/20/1404 – Retrospective application for a miniature railway at Russell's Garden Centre, Mill Hill. Circulated to Councillors 28th October. **SUPPORT** response issued 13th November.
- c. **New planning applications or planning matters received since the last meeting.**
- i. W/20/1623 – To clad an existing open structure in order to create a secure pallet store at DHL (PepsiCo) on Siskin Parkway East. Circulated to Councillors on 12th November with response required by 2nd December. Resolution **SUPPORTED. Clerk to respond.**
 - ii. W/20/1541 – Garage at No.12 Coventry Road. Circulated to Councillors 21st November with response required by 9th December. **OBJECTION** proposed and seconded, based on conflict with existing planning conditions. Passed by show of hands. **Clerk to report.**
 - iii. W/20/1901 – Reserved matters regarding bunding in relation to the haul road. Circulated to Councillors on 2nd December with response required by 18th December. **Councillors to consider and respond to the Clerk.**
- d. **Additional planning items.**
- i. Queries were made regarding the new bungalow at No.12 Coventry Road. Specific comments regarding deviations from approved plans were raised in relation to the introduction of a new porch, parking and landscaping. Councillor Pam Redford will enquire, but it was confirmed that permitted development planning rules had changed significantly since the original application was approved.
 - ii. Councillor Taylor asked about businesses on Russell's site. Councillor Pam Redford confirmed that one business was planning to leave by the New Year.

1923 HIGHWAY MATTERS.

Summary of known Highways issues, by area.

Major Matters reported previously and awaiting action

None

1. Minor Matters reported previously and awaiting action from 18 locations - NONE

- Andrews Close
- Bosworth Close
- Bubbenhall Road (excluding area at stables& Oakey Hill)
- Bubbenhall Road at Stables
- Church Road
- Coventry Road
- Frances Road
- Friends Close
- Kimberley Road
- Hall Drive
- Holly Walk
- Mill Hill
- Mylgrove
- Oak Close
- Roman Way
- Rowley Road
- Stoneleigh Road
- Underhill Close

1923.2 Volunteers cleared a dangerously overhanging branch by Bubbenhall Bridge on 10th November.

1923.3 The fly tipping along Bubbenhall Road was reported on 11th November.

1923.4 Drain cleaners were seen operating along Mill Hill and the service road on 16th November. A note has been sent to WCC Highways indicating which drains further up the village still need attention.

1923.5 Councillor Meakin highlighted that blocked drains on Coventry Road were causing significant issues with water drainage, especially with building works in the area. The Clerk confirmed he had reported the matter.

1924 OPEN SPACE.

1924.1 Further gaps in the Lucy Price Playground boundary were repaired by volunteers.

1925 GRANTS – None to report.

1926. HOUSING & GENERAL MATTER. None to report.

1927. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

a. To advise Bank balances as at 25/11/2020

HSBC treasurers (community) account: -	£ 2872.82
HSBC savings (BMM) account: -	£ 33529.93
Total.....	£ 36402.75

Data as of 1st April 2020 (as within end of year accounts).

Nominally ring fenced Monies	£1330.29
Committed Funds (Lucy Price Playground)	£15000.00
Underlying Council Reserves.....	£12630.43

b. To confirm items for payment:-

	Value	Cheque No.
Clerk's salary (37 hour per month @ NJC Level 7 - £418.47)	£418.47	102048
Office Costs and Overheads	£250.00	102049
Litter Picking Honorarium	£140.00	102050
Website Management Honorarium	£62.50	102051
ZOOM meeting costs (previous quarter)	£43.17	102052
PR Thompson Hedge cutting	£192.00	102053
Cheques not cashed – 102046 (£261.00) & 102047 (£560.77)	£821.77	
Cash needed in Current Account (Inc Un-presented cheques)	£1927.91	

- c. The Smithy rent was requested on 25th November.
- d. The Village Hall grass reimbursement & rent was requested on 9th November and was paid into our account on 20th November.
- e. The Tax Base figures needed to calculate the Budget were received on 2nd December. Councillors agreed that a neutral budget was appropriate. **Clerk to circulate in advance of January meeting where the budget will need to be approved.**

1928. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS.

- 1928.1 The WDC Canal side redevelopment consultation was distributed to Councillors on 10th November, with response required by 21st December.
- 1928.2 A46 consultation referred to in 1915.4 will be circulated to Councillors, with response required by 22nd January. **Clerk to action.**

1929. BROCHURES AND DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR PURUSAL

- i. Countryside Voice – Autumn 2020

1930. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- i. During a difficult year, expressions of gratitude were voiced to all County, District and Parish Councillors, who have adapted to significantly changing circumstances. We thank them all.
- ii. Councillor Goodwin expressed gratitude to those who had secured grants for pensioners' meals and those who were volunteering to provide cream teas in the New Year.

1931 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting: **Thursday 7th January 2021** @ 7.30pm, Baginton Village Hall or via virtual meeting (to be confirmed)

- 1932** The meeting closed at 8:31pm