

BAGINTON PARISH COUNCIL (BPC)
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 6th June 2019 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BAGINTON.

PRESENT:

Councillor	Trevor Wright	District Council
Councillor	Julie Keightley	Chairman
Councillor	Roger Horsfall	
Councillor	David Hewer	
Councillor	Robert Taylor	
Councillor	Walter Bush	
Councillor	Rob Newman	
Councillor	Mike Meakin	
Councillor	Steve Williams	
Clerk	Phil Clark.	
Public	5 members of the public were present.	

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

1640. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APOLOGIES

1640.1 Declarations of interest were sought and the Chairman confirmed that Councillor Hewer had been given special dispensation to talk about Bagot's Castle.

1640.2 The following had apologised:

Councillor Wallace Redford	County Council
Councillor Pam Redford	District Council
Councillor Chris Goodwin	Vice Chairman

1641. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

1641.1 Minutes of the Annual Meeting on 16th May 2019, having been circulated, were approved without amendment. Proposed by Councillor Keightley & seconded by Councillor Horsfall.

1641.2 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 16th May 2019, having been circulated, were approved without amendment. Proposed by Councillor Keightley & seconded by Councillor Horsfall.

1642. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WALLACE REDFORD

1642.1 Councillor Wallace Redford had apologised and had nothing to report.

1643. REPORTS FROM WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

1643.1 Councillor Wright informed those present that WDC had 27 new Councillors following the election and the combined alliance of Conservative and Whitnash Residents Association held a majority, but it was a steep learning curve with so many inexperienced people joining the Council all at once.

1643.2 Approval has been sought for 25 new affordable houses to be built in Barford.

1643.3 Another HS2 engagement exhibition had been held in Leamington Spa.

1643.4 Philip Seccombe (Police and Crime Commissioner) was looking to re-establish the force headquarters in Leek Wootton and will be looking carefully at how best to Police villages such as Baginton once the force ends its ties with West Mercia Police.

1643.5 Councillors Wright confirmed that both he and Councillor Pam Redford had objected to application W/19/0559 (Hanger 5 on Coventry Airport).

1643.6 Councillor Wright informed those present of the housing development and new school planned for Crewe Lane in Kenilworth. He will be keeping us informed, as the development may impact Baginton, especially in combination with other projects in the area such as HS2, Gateway South and King's Hill housing.

1643.7 Councillor Hewer complained that HS2 were removing large areas of trees and hedgerows at a time when birds are nesting. Councillor Wright indicated there was little that could be done as HS2 own the land and they have legal exemptions that allow the work, but he would raise it within WDC.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Wright for his report-

1644. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD.

1644.1 A member of the public had confirmed that after securing approximately 1400 signatures, the Baginton School Bus petition was presented to WCC at their meeting on 21st May 2019. A further separate meeting with WCC Scrutiny Committee is scheduled for 18th June.

1644.2 A resident in Bosworth Close complained that in recent months, their refuse bins were not being returned to their property but were being left at the bottom of Bosworth Close. WDC had been informed by the resident.

1644.3 A resident in Mylgrove sought permission to remove branches from a Parish Council owned tree that was blocking satellite signals. It was confirmed that the resident had followed our policy of seeking an engineering solution following their previous request, but this had not been successful. Councillors agreed for work to be carried out, provided the work is done professionally and no more is removed than necessary. The resident had said they would cover the cost. **Clerk to inform resident.**

1644.4 Complaints were received that a house in Church Road was exceeding the development approved in their planning application. Councillor Keightley confirmed that WDC had been contacted about this by members of the public and WDC were looking into the situation.

1644.5 A resident asked about speeding traffic at the mini roundabout on Coventry Road. It was confirmed that speed watch checks at the entrance to the village along Rowley Road had been put forward as a June Policing Priority and residents were urged to vote online. Signage would be checked to ensure it was to standard and the hedges either side would be inspected to see if they needed cutting back to aid visibility. **Clerk to action.**

1645 WHITLEY SOUTH

1645.1 The next 'South of Coventry' development meeting is scheduled for 19th June at WDC Riverside House. Councillor Taylor volunteered to attend.

1645.2 Councillor Horsfall asked about the positioning of the security fencing outside UKBIC. The Clerk confirmed that photos had been taken and Councillor Wallace Redford was following it up.

1645.3 Councillor Williams asked about the pile of rubble and waste on the Whitley South site at the entrance to Baginton, suggesting it should be moved. Councillor Hewer suggested hiding it behind fencing.

1645.4 Councillor Williams asked about the size of the UKBIC building, as he felt it is bigger than the plans originally suggested. Clerk to send plans to Councillor Williams for him to consider. Councillor Wright asked to be copied in and offered to help if necessary. **Clerk to action.**

1646. POLICE MATTERS.

1646.1 The latest Safer Neighbourhood Newsletter was sent to Councillors on 27th May, with notes that PC Ross Kirby had left and had been replaced by PC Jo Whittaker.

1646.2 It was confirmed that parking advice leaflets had been delivered to residents in Kimberley Road and Market Corner and the Police will monitor the situation when they are in Baginton.

1647. BAGINTON EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

1647.1 Party in the Park 13th July

1647.2 Big Lunch 9th June (at Village Hall this year).

1647.3 Film Night 28th June – Stan and Ollie

1647.4 Further discussions were held regarding disabled access to the Millennium Field on Church Road. It was suggested that a permanent solution might be over engineering the issue. Temporary / removable solutions may be more sympathetic, such as reinforced matting. No conclusions were drawn.

1648. AIRPORT MATTERS

- 1648.1 Following the consultative committee meeting last week, Councillor Horsfall confirmed that air traffic movements were up from 32,000 to 35,000 over the last year.
- 1648.2 Councillor Horsfall also confirmed that Wellesbourne Airport will probably close in September and Coventry Airport was helping them through the transition.
- 1648.3 Councillor Horsfall suggested that a new road will start being built on the airport from September 2019, which will run along the airport boundary behind Coventry Road and Oak Close. Questions were asked whether permissions had been granted as the airport is in Green Belt. Councillor Wright said he would raise the question about whether permissions are needed.

1649. PLANNING

- a. The following planning decisions were received since the last meeting.**
- i. W/19/0492 – Replacement of existing side extension and home improvements at No.1 Frances Road, Baginton. **NO OBJECTION** issued 9th April. **GRANTED** 20th May.
 - ii. W/19/0362 – Proposed new property on land adjacent to The Maze, Hall Drive, Baginton. **NO OBJECTION** issued 9th April. **GRANTED** 24th May.
 - iii. W/19/0600 – Plans for the development of a new road off Rowley Road, directly into Zone 3 Whitley South. **NO OBJECTION** reported 17th May. **INVALIDATED** 24th May.
- b. To note applications awaiting WDC decision.**
- i. W/18/0522 – Gateway South Development – Commercial development of land to the south & west of Coventry Airport & Middlemarch Industrial Estate, Coventry. **OBJECTIONS** reported against original and all revisions.
 - ii. W/18/0643 – Site clearance and mixed use development of up to 2500 dwellings with associated infrastructure and amenities. Land at King's Hill, Stoneleigh. **OBJECTIONS** reported against original and all revisions.
 - iii. W/19/0559 - Change of use of Hanger 5, Coventry Airport, from air freight and aircraft maintenance to HGV Haulage Yard. **OBJECTION** reported 17th May
 - iv. W/19/0481 – Installation of fence, gates, generator, air conditioning, baler, compactor and smoking shelters. Unit 2 Imperial Park, Siskin Parkway West, CV3 4PB. **NO OBJECTION** reported 17th May.
- c. New planning applications or planning matters received since the last meeting.**

1650 HIGHWAY MATTERS.

1650.1 Summary of known Highways issues, by area.

1. Major Matters reported previously and awaiting action

- Coventry Road – Standing water opposite The Row
- Oak Close – Slow drainage leading to standing water at junction

2. Minor Matters reported previously and awaiting action

- Andrews Close
- Bosworth Close
- Bubbenhall Road (excluding area at stables & Oakey Hill)
- Bubbenhall Road at Stables
- Church Road –
- **Coventry Road – blocked drain opposite 15 Bromleigh Villas; pavements marked for repair**
- Frances Road
- Friends Close

- Kimberley Road
- Hall Drive
- Holly Walk
- Mill Hill
- Mylgrove
- Oak Close
- Roman Way
- Rowley Road
- Stoneleigh Road
- Underhill Close

1650.2 Major issues already reported: Standing Water on Oak Close & Coventry Road opposite The Row.

1650.3 Verges were cut by WDC on 21st May.

1650.4 WCC confirmed that resurfacing of the Mill Hill service road pavements were not scheduled within the current round of works as their condition did not warrant it following inspection by surveyors.

1650.5 Notice was received of road closures and further work on the Tollbar Island project between 2nd June and 28th June.

1650.6 It was reported that the 'public footpath' sign pointing from Church Road to Pool Cottages was broken. WCC Rights of Way have been informed.

1650.7 It was confirmed that the blocked drain(s) on Coventry Road would be cleared imminently.

1650.8 Councillor Meakin asked what the code 'RC' means in relation to pavement maintenance and when the work was due to be completed. **Clerk to enquire.**

1651 OPEN SPACE.

1651.1 A brief summary of the WALC Playground Inspection Course was received from the Clerk.

1651.2 Development and refurbishment of the Lucy Price Playground was discussed. The Clerk suggested from WALC training a 'Challenge Course' consisting of individual items were currently more popular and easier to maintain than larger single 'Multiuse' items. Councillors made various suggestions, including canvassing children's ideas, a competition and advertising in the Newsletter. The item is to be carried forward for further consideration. **Clerk to add to newsletter.**

1651.3 The future of Bagot's Castle was discussed. The owner of the Castle invited the Parish Council to become one of the 4 Trustees in order to have an input into the Castle's continued future. The owner confirmed that the Parish Council would not be financially incumbent, nor carry any liability for either the Castle or any other monuments associated with the site, as these were covered by the Trust itself.

Councillors were asked to consider the proposal and report back at the next meeting.

Councillor Wright confirmed he would also ask for WDC's viewpoint on the situation. **Clerk to action.**

1651.4 The hedges opposite the allotments on Mill Hill were cut on 3rd June.

1652 GRANTS – None to report

1653. HOUSING & GENERAL MATTERS – None to report

1654. FINANCIAL MATTERS.

a. To advise Bank balances as at 31/05/2019

HSBC treasurers (community) account: -	£ 3540.93
HSBC savings (BMM) account: -	£ 28420.60
Total.....	£ 31961.53

Data as of 1st April 2019 (as approved in end of year accounts).

Nominally ring fenced Monies	£1330.29
Committed Funds (Lucy Price Playground)	£12000.00
Underlying Council Reserves.....	£15047.14

b. To confirm items for payment:-

	Value	Cheque No.
Clerk's net salary for previous month (£382.51 Gross)	£382.51	101977
Office Costs and Overheads	£250.00	101978
Litter Picking Honorarium	£135.00	101979
Website Management	£62.50	101980
Cheques not cashed – 101966, 101971, 101972,101974	£937.39	
Cash needed in Current Account (Inc Un-presented cheques)	£1767.40	

- c. The Smithy rent was requested on 25th May.
- d. Our Certificate of Exemption was sent to our External Auditors on 24th May.
- e. All Annual Audit documents required are now mounted on our website and the Notice of the Date of Commencement of the Period for Exercise of Public Rights has been advertised on the notice board, website and in the Newsletter.

1655. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS. – None received

1656. BROCHURES AND DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR PURUSAL – None received.

1657. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- 1657.1 Councillors were reminded that the current village improvement 'Wish List' was circulated on 10th March. Councillors are invited to continue to make suggestions.
- 1657.2 WDC have confirmed that from 4th May, their 250 place car park at Riverside House Headquarters will be available free of charge from 7am to 7pm on Saturdays and Sundays over the Summer.
- 1657.3 To check that all elected Councillors have submitted their Election Expenses form to WDC (example circulated on 17th May).
- 1657.4 Councillor Hewer stated that a revised application for 1 dwelling on the Church Road Sunday School site would be submitted, replacing the current 2 dwelling application.
- 1657.5 It was noted that the next Community Forum would be held in Baginton Village Hall on 19th June from 7:00pm.

1658 The meeting closed at 8:42pm.

1659. DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Next Parish Council Meeting: **Thursday 4th July 2019** at 7:30pm in Baginton Village Hall.