

BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council
9th January 2017

PRESENT: John Godbold (Chairman) Phil Hodgetts Simon Fletcher
 Heather Nicholson Julie Lacey Fenella Jarvis
 Kia Pope Rhian Dolby
Clerk: - Vivienne A Brooks / Grace Austin

WCC– Cllr Mrs Warwick

1437. Apologies- HCC – Cllr Bailey, WCC – Cllrs Bell & Laming.

1438. To appoint a new Clerk – Grace Austin

The Chairman introduced the new Clerk Grace Austin who's shadowing (VB) today and welcomed her to Council.

1439 Minutes of the Meeting of December 2016

The minutes were signed by the Chairman (**JG**)

1440. Matters Arising from Minutes.

1432 (c) (FJ) attended the meeting which was well attended by the public. Concern was expressed regarding access to the proposed industrial site, bearing in mind the traffic problems we already have on the Badger Farm Road every morning.

1433.3 tree overhanging - the Clerk will instruct Dave Denby to consult with (JG) over the works at this Council's cost.

1441 To Receive Reports & Recommendations from Working Parties:-

a) WCC

Cllr Warwick had circulated her report prior to this meeting and council discussed the following issues.

Bushfield Site – in particular, concerns have been raised with the access to the site from Badger Farm meaning that site users may not use the park and ride, but instead may park in Ivy Close and walk increasing parking problems on the estate. The Clerk intimated that we will seek CIL funding should the site get planning to assist with traffic schemes to alleviate blocking residents parking in what is a congested area.

Communal areas around the estate – some householders may not be aware that their deeds may contain responsibility for them to maintain communal walls etc. There are communal areas falling into disrepair due to age. Whilst this Council is unable to fund repairs, consideration could be given to assist with leaflets to inform residents to check their deeds and also to be aware of potential liabilities in case of any accidents for which residents should check their household insurance policies.

the Leisure Centre – Bar End, the council has completed the purchase of the rest of site from Tesco.

Cllr Godfrey has stood down as Leader of the City Council.

- b) HCC – No Report.
Cllr Bailey is not in attendance.
- c) Planning
22 May Tree Close, side extension - whilst it is a large extension on a corner plot it should not overlook or affect the neighbours therefore no objection.
- d) Community Centre Lease Compliance.
A tender request has been put out to replace the toilets in the centre.
- e) Open Spaces
No problems reported.
- f) Play Equipment
 - (i) No issues, the replacement cap covering for the new climbing frame at Davis is on order.
Prior to this meeting, a public meeting was held to seek input into the proposals for the renovation of the Central play area. A report will be issued in due course and a meeting has been scheduled for January 23rd to formulate the Tender proposal documentation. The public meeting was not as well attended as the previous one (in August 2016), but as the first play area is so well used the priority was met. The preference for new equipment on the Central play area appears to be for older children. The dots on the pictures (placed by the public meeting attendees to show play equipment preferences) will be evaluated to form the tender document.

Equip	Defect	Action	Risk
Central Kick about – refurbishment			
Davis Kick about – replaced			
	Signage a priority		

- g) Transport
The report has been circulated, our thanks to Cllr Dolby.
- h) Communications – (PH)
Suzanne Hodnett has begun work on the website and we would like more pictures to form an interesting front page. Watch this space!
- i). Lengthsman
Due again on March 15th 2017
- j) Whiteshute Ridge

lease. We are concerned that working days have been arranged without the City Council asking our permission as this Council still holds the head lease. Whilst not wishing to deter the interest this Council must be shown adequate insurance cover and risk assessments to ensure there are no potential liabilities for the work. A polite letter will be sent expressing our concerns to WCC. It is also noted that it is not yet a done deal and a final decision on the proposals and finances should be taken by this Council before any agreement is finalised with the City Council

k) Notice Board rep.
No report

l) Newsletter rep – (HN)
To be added; - New Clerk details.
Lengthsman duties, how to get your problem on his list.
Play area proposals and possible timeline.

m) Police – Cllr Hodgetts
Next PACT meeting 19th January 2017.

1442. Correspondence

1. WCC – Band D figures this year £44.49 (2017/18)
2. HCC – grant application to Cllr Bailey – copy
3. Religion or Belief – a guide to the law.

1443. Accounts to be paid as Listed

	£	
001841	Inland Revenue	95.60
001842	V Brooks Salary/Exp	456.26
001843	Winchester Night Bus/Section 137	500.00
001844	Crawley PC (green otter waste)	50.00

The accounts were agreed and the cheques signed.

1444. Councillors Questions.

(JG) asked the new Clerk if she has any questions please ask.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed

Date