



BADGER FARM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Bushfield Room, Badger Farm Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 13th November, 2017.

Members Present: Cllr. Mrs. Rhian Dolby - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs. Julie Lacey – Vice Chairman
Cllr. Mrs. Heather Nicholson
Cllr. John Godbold

In Attendance: Mrs. C. Howe - Parish Clerk

2 Members of the public attended the meeting.

ACTION

25/17 To accept apologies

Cllr. Laming and Cllr. Jarvis, Cllr. Warwick and Cllr. Bell

26/17 Declarations of Interests

None.

27/17 To approve and sign the Minutes of Meeting held on 16th October, 2017:

Minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

28/17 Matters arising (urgent items not on the Agenda)

The parking of vehicles on May Tree Close is still causing problems. People affected have been advised to take the number on the side of the vans and to ring them and explain the problem. Council to investigate putting a flyer onto cars

29/17 To receive Member's reports

a. W.C.C.
Written report sent via e.mail.

b. H.C.C.
Written report sent via e.mail.

c. Planning
No planning.

d. Community Centre Lease compliance
Nothing to report.

e. Open spaces
Grass cutting is still poor and cuttings left on pavements.
Leaves are being blown into an area but are then just left to blow about with the next gust of wind.
The footpath at the back of Kestrel Close has had soil banked up which could cause a problem in the wet weather, soil could simply be washed down onto the footpath.
Kestrel Close is the responsibility of H.C.C., Highways. H.C.C. sent an e.mail to Cllr. Nicholson abdicating responsibility and quoting the builder as being responsible not H.C.C. Cllr. Nicholson is to send a copy of the H.C.C. email to Cllr. Laming.

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- f. Play equipment
Cllr. Godbold reported a loose rope fixing and some missing bolt caps on the play Equipment and that VitaPlay had not yet completed the repairs. Clerk was asked when the next inspection was due, it is due on 20th November, 2017. Councillors though it would be best to contact Mr. Chris Stubbs of VitaPlay rather than the M.D.
- g. Transport
Cllrs. were asked to go on to the HCC website to complete the Movement Strategy consultation.
- h. Communications
The website needs re-vamping. Clerk to investigate and bring findings to the December meeting. CH
- i. Parish Lengthsman
The next visit is on the 29th November. The Davis Play Area needs the brambles cut Back. Lengthsman to be asked to cut them back. JL
- j. Whiteshute Ridge
The fencing is being completed now along with the gates. Cattle will be moved onto the Ridge in December. A notice is to be put onto the B.F.P.C. Facebook page to inform residents that the W.C.C. Ecologist & Biodiversity Officer will be giving a presentation about Whiteshute Ridge at the December meeting of B.F.P.C. JL
- k. Notice board
Nothing to report.
- l. Newsletter rep
Next deadline for submission of articles is in February. There will be an edition of Community News published before Christmas.
- m. Police
P.A.C.T. meeting is due at the end of November.
- 30/17 To discuss moving Badger Farm Parish Council bank account to another Bank**
Cllr. Dolby proposed and Cllr. Lacey seconded moving B.F.P.C.'s bank account to another bank. All in favour.
Resolved: To move B.F.P.C., bank account.
- 31/17 To discuss signage for Central Play Area**
Resolved: Need 3 Eurosigns for the gates Clerk to get two other quotes for signage.
Clerk to request more information from VitaPlay Central Play Area signage. CH
- 32/17 Clerk's report**
Cllr. Godbold proposed and Cllr. Nicholson seconded granting £200 for Citizens Advice Bureau. The poles which were left when a notice board was removed are to remain in situ. Council thought the path from Central to the main pathway should have been laid by VitaPlay when the play equipment was installed. Clerk to ask VitaPlay to put down the path from the gate by the zip wire, past the bench to the main pathway. CH

33/17 Finance – to agree and sign the cheques for September payments**Resolved:** Payments for October were agreed and cheques signed.

PAYMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2017			
Chq.No.	Name	Supplied	Amount
D/D	Badger Farm Community Centre	Room Hire	25.21
1900	Vita Play	Playground inspection	76.80
1901	Mrs. R. Dolby	Postage	6.45
1902	Mrs. C. Howe	October Salary	632.47
1903	H.M.R.C.	October PAYE	158.00
1904	H.A.L.C.	Chairman's training	48.00
1905	3 Network	Mobile network	1.78
		TOTAL	£948.71

34/17 Budget for 2018/2019 – To agree the budget and precept requirement for 2018/2019
The budget was presented to Council. After a lengthy discussion Council decided to defer the decision until the December meeting. The Clerk recommended a 2% increase in the precept, in line with inflation. Council discussed this and raised the possibility of an increase to 3% or 4% but wanted more time to discuss it and the effect on a D Band house tax. The decision was deferred until the December meeting.

35/17 To discuss the appointment of an Internal Auditor**Resolved:** To appoint Ms. Eleanor Green as 2017/2018 Internal Auditor. Clerk to arrange.

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There being no further business to transact, the Chairman thanked the members of the public and Council and closed the meeting at 9.15 p.m.

The date and location of the next meeting -

Monday 11th December, 2017, Bushfield Room, Badger Farm Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.