

BADWELL ASH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

BADWELL ASH VILLAGE HALL

WEDNESDAY 3 OCTOBER 2018

7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Councillors Clive Hawkins (CH) (Chairman), Ed Walsh (EW), Clive Morris (CM), Diane Donat (DD), Christopher Evans (CE) and David Smith (DS).

IN ATTENDANCE:

Christopher Garman (CG) (Parish Clerk) and 4 members of public.

1. PUBLIC FORUM

- 1.1. The applicant of planning application DC/18/04256 (item 7.4) clarified the situation in respect of the proposed changes.
- 1.2. There was concern about a damaged gate on a footpath.
- 1.3. There were positive comments on a new bridge on a footpath.
- 1.4. There was concerns about the future of the public house.
- 1.5. There was a report from County Councillor Jane Storey which had been previously circulated. The contents were noted.
- 1.6. There was no report from Councillor Roy Barker.

2. APOLOGIES

Richard Morris and the reason was accepted.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

- 3.1. None.
- 3.2. None.

4. MINUTES

- 4.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2018 had been previously circulated.
It was resolved that these were an accurate record of the meeting.
- 4.2. There were no matters arising.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Correspondence had been previously circulated and noted.
- 5.2. The matter of having a Neighbourhood Plan was considered. It was noted that this was a lengthy procedure and needed positive input from residents. It would involve a considerable amount of resources of both time and money to implement. It was decided to defer this further until 2019.

6. ENVIRONMENT

- 6.1. Progress with the conversion of the bus shelter at Long Thurlow was reviewed. It was noted that work has not started but is expected to do so shortly.
- 6.2. Progress with the installation of the bench as a memorial for the school headteacher was reviewed. It was noted that work has not started but is expected to do so shortly.
It was resolved to now proceed with the purchase of the Elwood seat from Glasdons at a cost of £581 plus VAT.

- 6.3. Progress with the installation of new grit bins was reviewed. SCC Highways require a separate application for each of the replacement grit bins and an application will initially be submitted for the one by the church wall opposite Richer Road. When agreed by SCC Highways and quotation received for installation, consideration will then be given to purchase and installation.
- 6.4. The new noticeboard at Long Thurlow is still work in progress. CM will again chase to understand what is delaying installation. There was concern about the delay in completing the project.
- 6.5. The way forward with potential projects relating to the recreation ground was considered. There was discussion on how best to take this forward. It was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk should have a meeting with Tony Bass who is the Strategic Leisure Advisor at MSDC to see how to manage such a project and understand what funding might be available. Then if the project is still feasible, then perhaps a public meeting in early 2019 to consult with residents.

7. PLANNING

- 7.1. Progress with previous planning applications were noted.
- 7.2. The planning application number DC/18/04074 relating to The Cottage, The Street, Badwell Ash, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 3DG was considered.
It was resolved to advise MSDC that there are no objections but to request if permission is granted then the annexe should only be used in conjunction with the main residence.
- 7.3. The planning application number DC/18/03882 relating to Green Farm Barn, Badwell Green, Badwell Ash, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 3JG was considered.
It was resolved to advise MSDC that there are no objections.
- 7.4. The planning application number DC/18/04256 relating to land to the rear of Back Lane, accessed off The Broadway, Back Lane, Badwell Ash, IP31 3DW was considered. CH asked the applicant to further clarify the situation in respect of the proposed changes.
It was resolved to advise MSDC that there are no objections.

8. FINANCE AND POLICIES

- 8.1. The following cheques were considered for payment:
 - £119.27 for salaries for September 2018
 - £1071.33 for salaries for April to September 2018
 - £16.20 to D Clarke – expenses
 - £45.00 to D Clarke – village maintenance
 - £93.19 to C Garman – Clerk's expenses July to September 2018
 - £357.20 to HMRC – PAYE/NI
 - £25.00 to Royal British Legion – donation.**It was resolved that the above cheques can be issued.**
- 8.2. The transfer of surplus funds on the Barclays current account to the Barclays deposit account was considered.
It was resolved to transfer £30,000 to the deposit account.

9. FUTURE MEETINGS

- 9.1. The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 31 October 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Christopher Garman
Parish Clerk
8 October 2018