

BADWELL ASH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

BADWELL ASH VILLAGE HALL

WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019

7.30 PM

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Christopher Garman (CG) (Parish Clerk), District Councillor Roy Barker (RB), County Councillor Jane Storey (JS) and 12 members of public.

1. PUBLIC FORUM

- 1.1. The applicant of planning application DC/18/05599 spoke about the application.
- 1.2. Concern was expressed about the lack of facilities for children. It was clarified that the Parish Council plan to provide children's playground equipment but the process has had challenges.
- 1.3. Concerns were expressed about the rubbish and leaves around the fish and chip shop area.
- 1.4. Concerns were expressed about the increasing amount of dog poo not being cleared away by dog owners. It was made clear that this was unacceptable and any pictures taken of offending dog owners should be submitted to MSDC for them to take appropriate action.
- 1.5. JS read her report which had been previously circulated and clarified issues. JS was asked about action to be taken in respect of Back Lane and JS answered that it is on the list to be resurfaced probably in 2021. As for the parking on the pavement in Back Lane, there is no immediate solution.
- 1.6. RB gave an update of the budget and the expected MSDC increase. RB gave a report on the use of his locality budget in Badwell Ash, the closure of Footpath 3 and planning issues.

2. APOLOGIES

None.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

- 3.1. None.
- 3.2. None.

4. MINUTES

4.1. The minutes of the meetings held on 5 December 2018, 19 December 2018 and 23 January 2019 had been previously circulated.

It was resolved that these were accurate record of the meetings.

4.2. There were no matters arising.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Correspondence had been previously circulated and noted.
- 5.2. CG gave a presentation following a SALC training session on the forthcoming elections and the process to be followed.

6. ENVIRONMENT

6.1. SCC Highways have responded with a vague response and with a cannot do attitude. After a discussion and guidance from JS consideration was given to replace the with a new grit bin and then ask SCC to fill. This will provide a facility for self-help for clearing public pathways in severe weather.

It was resolved to purchase a 400l green grit bin to replace the previous bin.

6.2. The option of having another annual village litter pick was considered. The date will be Saturday 6 April 2019.

7. PLANNING

7.1. Progress with previous planning applications were noted.

7.2. The planning application DC/18/05599 relating to land at The Paddocks, Badwell Ash was considered. The main concern was that it is outside the village development area. Also, the siting of the proposed property does not seem appropriate. There was concern about the possible increased use of the access track.

It was resolved to advise MSDC that the Parish Council object to this proposed development.

8. FINANCE AND POLICIES

8.1. The following cheques were considered for payment:

£119.27 for salaries for January 2019

£16.20 to D Clarke – expenses

£15.00 to SALC – training

£97.32 to C Garman – expenses Oct – Dec 2018

It was resolved that the above cheques can be issued.

8.2. The income and expenditure for April to December 2018 was noted and the bank reconciliation was confirmed with the bank statement.

9. FUTURE MEETINGS

9.1. The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 6 March 2019 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Christopher Garman
Parish Clerk
12 February 2019