

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY 1st JULY 2019  
AT WESTON LULLINGFIELDS VILLAGE HALL

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Present: Councillors J H Lloyd (Chairman)  
Mrs G Tomlins  
Mrs S Richards  
B Leeden  
P Ridgley  
Mrs A P R Budgen  
B Welti,  
E R Roberts  
Mrs L McMaster  
  
Shropshire Cllr N Bardsley  
Mrs A Howls, Clerk  
  
Six members of the public

The Meeting commenced at 7.30p.m

114/2019 APOLOGIES

Cllr J Carr (Holiday), T Feltus (Work commitment) D Sheldon (Work Commitment)

115/2019 DECLARATION OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST IN A MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING AND WHICH IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE REGISTER OF INTERESTS.

There was none

116/2019 DISCUSSION IN RESPECT OF SMARTWATER

A presentation was given by Rachel Oakley, Business Development Manager and Senior Analyst for West Mercia Constabulary in respect of “Smartwater”.

She stated that there is currently a grant available from Police & Crime Commissioner West Mercia which your Parish Council is considering applying for. The grant, with financial assistance from the Parish Council, provides “Smartwater” kits to home owners enabling them to security mark their property in such a way that it deters burglars from stealing it.

The Commissioner has announced that he will contribute 25% of the cost of “Smartwater” to Parish Councils looking at supplying it to at least 80% of residents in their area.

Smartwater, a water-based solution that is unique to each bottle, allows property to be marked and enables the police to identify the owner of the property, and potentially the offender. Councillors were also offered free signage to let offenders know that if they commit crime in this area then they are likely to get caught and not profit from their crime.

If it is decided that the Parish Council wish to pursue this initiative further input on the scheme would be needed.

## 117/2019 COMMUNITY REPORT AND PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

### Royal British Legion (Baschurch Branch)

The Chairman, Glyn Davies attended the Meeting and thanked the Parish Council with their assistance with the “poppies on lamp posts “ last year. He asked the Council to consider funding them this year. The amount needed would be £120.00. This was discussed and proposed by Cllr J H Lloyd and seconded by Cllr P Ridgley and agreed by all present. He also requested that the Parish Council apply to Shropshire Council for the road closure from the roundabout at Prescott Island along Shrewsbury Road to the Crossroads from 10.15am until 10.45am on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019 for the Remembrance Day parade. This was agreed.

### PGL – Boreatton Park

Cllr Mrs A P R Budgen stated that since Mr Anthony Prince had left Boreatton Park the traffic situation with the coaches attending and leaving Boreatton Park had become worse. She requested that the Chairman and Vice Chair hold a meeting with the new manager which had just taken over to try and rectify the situation. If no meeting could be arranged in the near future to ask them to attend the September Meeting. **Resolved:** Clerk to arrange meeting.

## 118/2019 REPORT FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL

Cllr N Bardsley gave Councillors an update on the Community Infrastructure Levy Monies. In respect of the new Doctor’s surgery he reported there would be a meeting with the Practice manager on Wednesday this week. He would report back at a later date to Councillors.

## 119/2019 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2019

Cllr B Welti proposed and Cllr B Leeden seconded that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record. This proposition was passed with two abstentions and the Chairman signed the Minutes.

## 120/2019 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2019, NOT ITEMISED ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

## 121/2019 PLANNING

### Planning Applications to be considered

- (i) Amendment- 19/01115/FUL - Construction of a skate park at Playground at the Wheatlands, Baschurch, Shropshire.

*This application had been previously approved by the Parish Council. Cllr B Leeden stated it had now been months since the Application had been submitted to Shropshire Council. Further information had been requested by the Planning Dept which had been forwarded and a date given to the Playground Trust for a decision to be made but that date had passed and still no decision had been made. After some discussion Cllr B Leeden proposed no further details needed to be forwarded in respect of the application. This was seconded by Cllr J H Lloyd and was agreed by all. Shropshire Council to be informed. Shropshire Cllr N Bardsley stated he would try and look into this at Shropshire Council as he did not see why a decision had been made yet. He suggested that the Playground Trust write to the Planning Dept to ask why this was still outstanding and no decision made.*

- (ii) 19/02497/FUL- Erection of two storey rear extension; single storey side extension and internal alterations at Poppy House, Prescott Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

*This application was outlined by Cllr Mrs McMaster and after some discussion Cllr Mrs A P R Budgen proposed to support the application but request that the Conservation Officer ensures the design is in keeping and there are the correct number of roof lights fitted. This was seconded by Cllr E R Roberts and passed. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

8.40pm Standing Orders were suspended for members of public to speak.  
8.50pm Standing Orders were re-instated.

- (iii) 19/02514/FUL- Erection of a porch to the front elevation and greenhouse to front of the site at Prescott House, Prescott Road, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.
- (iv) 19/02719/VAR- Variation of condition No2 (approved plans) pursuant to 15/04452/FUL (erection of two storey extension) to allow for changes in approval design at Prescott House, Prescott Road, Prescott, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

*These applications were outlined by Cllr Mrs L McMaster and after some discussion she proposed to support the application and variation. This was seconded by Cllr J H Lloyd and passed with three objections. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

- (v) 19/02140/FUL- Erection of extensions and refurbishment of the Ranch, Weston Road, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

*This application was outlined by Cllr Mrs L McMaster and after some discussion she proposed to support the application. This was seconded by Cllr J H Lloyd and agreed by all. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

- (vi) 18/05447/REM Reserved matters, approval for the erection of 53 dwellings and associated garages pursuant to outline planning permission 14/02454/OUT to include appearance, landscaping, layout and scale at Land off Station Road, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

9.00pm Cllr Mrs S Richards left the meeting and Standing Orders were suspended.

A member of the public gave their opinion in respect of a survey.

9.10pm Standing Orders were re-instated.

*The application was outlined by Cllr Mrs L McMaster. She read out a proposal to support the application as follows:*

*Baschurch Parish Council are pleased that the developers have taken heed of our proposals to improve the housing mix and also to include a footpath and pedestrian access gate through to the Parish Council playing fields on the southwest side of the development.*

*We would be pleased to support this amended scheme if one further item of community benefit could be added by the developers. The original outline application for this site was passed with the developers setting aside a considerable area for a school coach park area and also a footpath connecting that area through to the school buildings as "community benefits". The concept was to reduce school traffic pressure on Eyton Lane. The application was for just 40 houses. That offer was withdrawn due to lack of support from the school and residents objections.*

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*The site now offers the developer 52 houses with currently zero community benefit included.*

*Baschurch Parish Council would really appreciate the inclusion of a fenced footpath from the pedestrian access gate on the southwest side of the development along the perimeter of the parish council playing fields and village hall through to Eyton Lane. This would provide a much safer and shorter route to the school avoiding use of the narrow dangerous footpaths on Station Road and Shrewsbury Road and the congested pavements on Eyton Lane where school busses are often having to drive onto the pavements.*

*Station Road is known to be our most dangerous road with 45% of motorists exceeding the speed limit and a narrow, overgrown pavement where pedestrians and wheelchairs frequently need to step into the road. Our proposed "community benefit" footpath would mean far safer and more direct access to the school for children from this and other housing developments proposed in this area of the village.*

*Cllr J.H.Lloyd seconded the proposition which was passed. Shropshire Council to be informed,*

- (vii) Amendment 19/01134/FUL- Erection of one dwelling and garage; formation of new access (Plot 1) at proposed residential development land to the west of Weston Lullingfields Shropshire.

*This applications was outlined by Cllr Mrs L McMaster and after some discussion Cllr J H Lloyd proposed to accept the amendment as it is. Cllr P Ridgley seconded the proposal. This was passed with three abstentions. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

- (viii) Appeal –Pharminspire Ltd- Application offering unforeseen benefits at premises to be secured and located within the following geographical area- North- Station Road B4397, East- Railway line, South B5062, West-Shrewsbury Road to Nobold to B4397 Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

*The appeal was discussed by Councillors and Cllr Mrs L Mc Master read out a statement from Cllr J Carr who was not in attendance. Cllr B Leeden proposed that the Council had already forwarded their objections and he felt there was no need for any further comments to be made. This was seconded by Cllr B Welti and passed with three abstentions.*

**Any planning applications received since 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 or any other planning issues.**

- (ix) 19/02717/FUL- Change of use from ancillary residential accommodation to open market dwelling at Stanwardine Park Farm Barns, Stanwardine in the Fields, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

*This application was outlined by Cllr Mrs L McMaster and after some discussion Cllr Mrs A P R Budgen proposed to support the application. This was seconded by Cllr J H Lloyd and all were in favour. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

- (x) 19/02771/FUL – Erection of a ground floor rear extension at Allon Cottage, Weston Lullingfields, Shrewsbury. Shropshire.

*This application was outlined by Cllr Mrs L McMaster and after some discussion Cllr J H Lloyd proposed to support the application. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs A P R Budgen and all were in favour. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

- (xi) 19/02799/VAR- Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 18/0477/FUL dated 13/12/2018 at Land at the Wheatlands, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

*This application was outlined by Cllr J H Lloyd and after some discussion he proposed to support the variation. This was seconded by Cllr P Ridgley and all were in favour. Shropshire Council to be informed.*

**Planning Permission Granted**

- 19/02083/FUL – Replacement of flat roof over garage with pitched roof to include insertion of rooflights and creation of a mezzanine floor at The Acorns, Prescott Road, Prescott, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

122/2019 **HIGHWAYS AND STREET LIGHTING**

- (a) Street Lighting - The Clerk stated this would be discussed under the report from the Finance & General sub-committee meeting.

123/2019 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Mrs A P R Budgen reported she had attended the SALC Meeting of the North Shropshire Area Committee on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at Edinburgh House. There was a presentation by Mark Docherty on the work of West Midlands Ambulance Service. Cllr S H Davenport apologised for not turning up at the meeting to give an update on highway issues. Unfortunately he was taken ill earlier that day but will attend the next meeting on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

Cllr J H Lloyd stated he had attended a CIL Presentation at the Shirehall with other Baschurch Parish Councillors. Although much of the presentation related to Shropshire Council it had been very informative.

124/2019 **BADGERS WAY PLAYGROUND**

Cllr Mrs Tomlins stated a piece of the railing had come loose from around the edge of the Play area. **Resolved:** The Clerk to contact Mr Martin Mee with a view to repairing this.

125/2019 **CEMETERY**

Cllr P Ridgley stated that the fencing in the area of the car park had now been repaired.

126/2019 **FINANCES**

- (a) **Cheques for Approval** -The following cheques totalling £3359.81 (which include VAT) were put forward for approval:

002947	Scottish Power	260.84
002948	B Townson Auditor	125.00
002949	SALC _Course (2) Data Protection Training	54.00
002950	PG Skips -Cemetery	39.36
002951	A Howls Salary June	989.80
002952	Inland Revenue June	333.82
002953	P Birch -Cemetery Area 2 & 3	229.37
002954	P Birch General Maintenance	568.02
002955	A Howls Expenses – June	45.14
002956	Cancelled	
002957	The Blast Shop –Firmer Bond (Cemetery)	27.00
002958	Fencetree – Fencing repairs Baschurch Cemetery	687.46

**Resolved:** Payment of the cheques was approved.

**(b) Other items of expenditure for consideration**

- (i) Recreation Ground The Clerk stated she now had the costing for the goal posts which was a total of £1461.60 from Broxap. This included carriage costs to deliver. This was proposed by Cllr P Ridgley and seconded by Cllr. B Leeden. All Councillors were in agreement.

Cllr J H Lloyd had costings for work to be carried out re surfacing the car park next to the Village Hall. He had requested three quotes, Quote (a) had not replied, Quote (b) had not given full details for the costing of the work and the (c) A full quote for £2770.00 plus VAT. Cllr J H Lloyd proposed to accept quote (c) which was seconded by Cllr P Ridgley and agreed by all.

- (ii) Report from Finance & General Purposes Meeting of the sub Committee. This was held at the Fire Station on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Summary of the meeting as follows:

Accounts 2019/20 - The Clerk and Councillors discussed the Council's finances for 2019/20 and discussed monies of the Neighbourhood Fund and the mast monies. The Clerk went through monies already spent from last year and funding needed to be spent this year.

Baschurch Junior Football Club - Cllr P Ridgley informed Councillors that a meeting had taken place at the recreation ground with Martin Mee, Shropshire Council Outdoor Inspector and David Shaw from the football Club. Also in attendance were representatives from the Parish Council including the Clerk. Discussion had taken place in respect of the stoning of the car park and the replacement of the goal posts. Martin Mee had been previously in discussion with the Clerk and had looked into various types of goal posts to make sure the correct type was purchased. Cllr J H Lloyd discussed what was needed in stone for the base of the car park but stated he also needed to look into the equipment which would be needed to lay the car park and had requested quotes for the work. David Shaw was to let the Clerk have the size of both of the sets of goal posts which needed to be ordered. Cllr J H Lloyd stated he would look into the re seeding of the goal posts in the near future.

Councillors discussed the cost for the work and Cllr B Leeden proposed to allow up to £15,000.00 from the Mast monies to pay for this. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs S Richards and agreed by all present.

Prescott Surgery Development Group - Cllr J Carr stated the Councillors on the above group are Cllrs J Carr, B Welti, P Ridgley and Mrs S Richards.

Street Lighting - A quote for the replacement programme of upgrading street lighting in Baschurch and Walford had been received from the Electrical Contractor. The quote was given with two options of lanterns. The V MAX or the S Line. The S Line is a slightly smaller unit but has an advantage of coming with a module which is a variable wattage controller which can be altered on site. The wattage range is set with a 50% dimming which will also save money and reduce the carbon footprint. Councillors discussed this and it was proposed by Cllr Mrs S Richards to upgrade all street lights in Baschurch at one time which would cost £43,813.00. This was seconded by Cllr B Welti. This was

agreed by all present. The Parish Council had already put by reserves from the precept over the past few years to contribute towards this and the extra could be taken from the Neighbourhood Fund monies.

**Playground Trust- Funding for the Skate Park-** Cllr B Leeden stated the Trust was still waiting for a decision from Shropshire Council as to whether approval had been granted for planning permission. Until then no further action can be taken.

**Neighbourhood Fund and CIL Monies** - Cll J Carr proposed consideration for monies for solar panels on speed signs and Cllr B Welti requested the Council look into the cost of a gateway to the village to be discussed at a later date.

**Plaques on Benches in the Cemetery** - Councillors discussed the number of plaques to a bench. Cllr P Ridgley had looked into the costings and positions and made the following observations. He did not consider that we needed to keep to one font. Plaques would look too regimented and it would be a good option to give families a choice. They needed to be in black lettering. He felt consideration should be given to the provision of a motif if requested (eg Regimental or Service badge.)

The back rail of each bench was 6 feet 1 inch in total length, however each end is angled at the top, leaving a straight length of 5 feet along the rail. The rail is 6 inches in depth. If we adopt the 5 x 2 plaque, a total row of nine plaques with 1 inch gaps in between each plaque would be easily accommodated. Due to the 2 inch height of the plaque, consideration should be given to the provision of two rows of plaques with 1 inch spacing between each row and 1 inch spacing between the plaques and the top and bottom of the rail, providing a total of eighteen plaques. Two extra plaques could also be provided on the bottom row at each end, due to the additional length below the cut out angle at the top of the rail. (This may well look rather crowded).

If we adopt the 5 x 3 plaques, then one row only can be provided, totalling nine plaques, with 1 ½ inch spacing between the top and bottom of the rail. As they would be fitted along the middle of the rail, additional plaques at each end where the rail is angled would look crowded. However, the single row would look more appropriate.

After discussion by Parish Councillors, Cllr P Ridgley proposed to purchase ten stainless steel plaques 5x3 @ £20.34 each from Engraving Plus, Oswestry. This was seconded by Cllr J H Lloyd and agreed by all present. Conditions should also be put in place for the plaques. ***Resolved:*** Cllr P Ridgley & Clerk to put in place.

#### 127/2019 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

128/2019 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** The next regular Parish Council Meeting to be held at 7.30pm on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 at Baschurch Village Hall. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.05pm

Signed.....

Dated: 2nd September 2019