

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7th FEBRUARY 2022
AT BASCHURCH VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors Mrs S Richards (Chairman)
A Woodthorpe
Mrs G Tomlins
B Welti
D Sharpe
Mrs W Lowdon
S Gregory
Mrs A P R Budgen
Mrs D Bickley
Cllr N Bardsley Shropshire Council
Mrs A Howls Clerk.
Three members of the public

The Parish Council Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

8/2022 **APOLOGIES** - Cllrs J H Lloyd, T Feltus & M Feline

9/2022 **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.** [Members are reminded that they are required to leave the meeting during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of members' interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer]
There was none.

10/2022 **COMMUNITY REPORT& PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There was no report.

11/2022 **REPORT FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL**

Councillor Nick Bardsley reported as follows:

1. Dove Court

I have over a number of years and on many occasions been trying to secure progress, frankly with little success, on this very long standing problem. As Councillors will know I wrote (in desperation) to Mark Wootton's Head of Service, Tracy Darke last year. I had a subsequent meeting (via Teams) with her at the end of November

In early December 2021 I received this

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As regards the long standing Dove Court development, I am shortly meeting up with the Legal Officer in order to reassess the legal implications of the Section 38 Agreement and Bond, together with the ownership title that currently conflicts with the adjoining Public House ownership and the dedication of land needed for adoption of the estate road.

I have tried on a number of occasions to discuss the matter with the Admiral Duncan owner but they have not got back to me. We are looking therefore whether this can be deleted from the adoption and therefore what options are available. I am also checking on the adoption of the sewers on the estate.

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An inspection has been carried out by our consultant WSP to view the condition of the roads etc and what is required. I am therefore seeking to put a costing together of the remedial works that have been identified.

I am carrying out a thorough audit of what is required, what are the inherent costs and how the Council recoup can these monies. I'll have a further update in the New Year.

Cllr N Bardsley stated he had received a further email from Mark Wootton, Developing Highways Manager, Planning Service, Shropshire Council with further details. After some discussion Cllr B Welte proposed the Parish Council write to the MP Helen Morgan outlining the circumstances to look into the matter. A copy should be forwarded to the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council for their information. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs W Lowdon and agreed by all present.

2 Multi Agency Group - TRO for Eyton Lane and Newtown: Meeting on January 27th

I am pleased to say that the physical work (securing road markings, signage etc) is finally scheduled for the February half term week, starting on February 21st. Both School Heads will make sure that parents are warned well before the start of the break that the Traffic Regulation Order will be enforced with effect from Monday February 28th.

The great majority of parents and guardians have always fully complied with requests not to park or wait in Eyton Lane when dropping off or collecting children/students. Unfortunately a minority do not apparently appreciate how much even a short "wait" aggravates the traffic difficulties in Eyton Lane. We expect too that the parking restrictions North of the "build out" in Newtown will ease congestion, particularly during peak traffic periods.

I am arranging with Shaun Sutton, who is responsible for the Civil Enforcement Team (Traffic Wardens), that his officers will attend in Baschurch periodically (but unpredictably) to enforce the TRO. The Police will also assist.

The Multi Agency Group also discussed related issues - the danger to users of the pedestrian crossing, parking in neighbouring residential roads during the morning and afternoon school drop off and collection periods and the dangers to pedestrians and others in Nobold.

I plan to have another meeting of the Group in March (probably March 24th) to review these matters and the implementation of the TRO.

3 Planning

Meetings of the Northern Planning Committee have been postponed/cancelled since November 2021 - but I have been assured by Officers that the scheduled meeting on March 1st will take place. I would expect that the TC Homes application (21/03108/FUL) will be determined on that date. I have called in the application which has attracted opposition from the Parish Council, local residents and myself.

I don't know whether or not the application for supported living accommodation at Greenacres Farm, Fenemere Lane (21/04211/FUL) will also be referred to that meeting. Considerable pressure has been applied by the Parish Council, local residents and myself - but the case officer, when I spoke to him on January 28th told me that it would be an officer determination. I may have more up to-date information on Monday evening.

4 Traffic issues

Residents in Yeaton, Walford Heath and Weston Lullingfields have raised concerns about speeding traffic. Your Clerk has the correspondence, most of it copied to me.

5 Parish boundaries and Community Governance Review

SALC is now quite properly and intimately involved in the Community Governance Review being undertaken by Shropshire Council.

The Cabinet Member for Communities, Cllr Cecilia Motley has been in correspondence with your Chair and with me, particularly referring to the Parish boundary in Walford Heath which lies most inconveniently through properties parts of which lie both in Baschurch and Bomere Heath parishes.

You will recall earlier discussions when it was stated in principle that, with the agreement of Bomere Parish Council, the parish boundary should be moved so that the whole of Walford Heath lies either in Baschurch or Bomere.

Cllr Motley's most recent suggestion, addressed to your Chair is:

"We all agreed that we did not wish to impose rules on any of the parishes or towns for determining any boundary changes. We would recommend though that parish councils should discuss issues amongst each other in the first instance and aim to reach a consensus on changes. Should the Parish Councils together agree on changes – or even if there is disagreement - then I would suggest raising the proposals at the parish annual meetings for discussion with residents and potential recommendations for the way forward.

If all goes smoothly, the next step is to contact Graham White with the request of the parish(s) for boundary changes. If no consensus can be reached after the parish meetings, then it would be appropriate for the different parishes involved to make their own representations to the CGR – again through Graham White.

One request from the CGR is that parishes looking for boundary changes with a neighbouring SC unitary council division are aware of the need to try and achieve a figure of 3,500 electors per division, plus or minus 10%; and don't make proposals that are going to radically shift the population numbers . This doesn't appear to be the case in Bomere Heath/Baschurch, but I thought it worth mentioning.

Local Electoral Divisions

Electorate May 2021

Ruyton and Baschurch ED*	3363
Tern ED*	3833
The Meres ED	3893
Loton ED	3311
Whittington ED	3371
Llanymynech ED	3473

*Includes parts of Walford Heath

Significant new housing developments are already underway in Ruyton and Baschurch. When completed and the new dwellings occupied, the electorate in the ED will almost certainly be rather closer to the 3,500 benchmark.

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If the boundary change in Walford Heath moves all of the settlement into Baschurch Parish this would slightly even up the difference in electorate between the two EDs.

I will raise the Community Governance Review also with Hordley Parish Council at its next meeting (in March). Parish Councillors in Ruyton XI Towns already have informal discussions in play. Their next meeting is on February 8th.

12/2022 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6th DECEMBER 2021

Cllr A Woodthorpe proposed and Cllr B Welti seconded that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th December 2021. This was confirmed as a true and correct record and agreed by and signed by the Chairman with one abstention.

The minutes had been proposed seconded and agreed when Cllr Mrs D Bickley stated there had been no mention in the minutes that the discussion on the Stanwardine Noticeboard had not been entered in the minutes. The Clerk disagreed and pointed out item 191/2021 this had been deferred.

13/2022 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6th DECEMBER 2021, NOT ITEMISED ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

14/2022 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24th JANUARY 2022

Cllr A Woodthorpe proposed and Cllr B Welti seconded that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 24th January 2022. This was confirmed as a true and correct record and agreed by and signed by the Chairman with one abstention.

15/2022 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24th JANUARY 2022, NOT ITEMISED ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

16/2022 PLANNING

Planning Applications to be considered

- (a) Planning Appeal –Agricultural building at Upper Fenemere Farm, Myddlewood, Nr. Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.
Application Ref 21/01301/PMBPA
Applicants Name: DM & JK Morris
Planning Inspector Ref: APP/L3245/W/21/3285667
Appeal Reference: 22/02988/PAPD

This Planning appeal did not need any comments made by the Parish Council.

Planning Permission Granted

- 21/05869/FUL- Erection of a rear single storey extension at 5 The Old Nursery, Weston Lullingfields, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.
- 21/04215/FUL- Change of use including refurbishment to respite facility with residential accommodation for vulnerable adults including a live in carer, formation of vehicular access and parking at Greenacres Rural Training Centre, Fenemere, Baschurch, Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

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Any planning applications received since 30th January 2022 or any other planning issues.

An e mail had been received from a local resident from Walford Heath in respect of planning enforcement issues. *Resolved*; The Chair stated she would contact the resident and advise them appropriately.

17/2022 STANWARDINE NOTICE BOARD/POOL

A discussion ensued and the Chairman stated that both she and the Clerk had met with a person recommended to undertake a risk assessment on the Pool and situation of the noticeboard at Stanwardine. Until this report was received the issues relating to the noticeboard could not be completed.

She stated the Clerk had contacted several Clerks via Shropshire Association of Local Councils to assist with the risk assessment. The meeting between Cllrs Mrs D Bickley, Mrs A P R Budgen, Paul Birch and the Clerk had taken place at 2.30pm on Thursday 13th January 2022. Cllr Mrs Bickley had also consulted with Mr Mark Holmes from Shropshire Council in respect of a suitable location of the noticeboard in Stanwardine.

9.05pm At the end of these discussions Cllr Mrs D Bickley stated she was leaving the meeting as she had not long been out of hospital and handed over a letter to the Chairman. The Chairman read the letter in which Cllr Mrs Bickley tendered her resignation. The Chairman thanked her for her assistance over the short period she had been a Councillor. Cllr A Woodthorpe proposed that this be put on the next agenda and the Council hear risk assessment details and resolve the matter. This was seconded by Cllr B Welti and passed with one abstention.

The three members of the public also left the meeting.

18/2022 BOUNDARY REVIEW

This related to Walford being on the boundary of Baschurch and Bomere Heath Parish. After some discussion it was decided to first discuss this with the adjoining Parish of Bomere Heath to obtain their views. (*See Cllr Bardsley's report re Boundary Review*).

19/2022 GREEN SPACES

The Chairman stated there were areas in the village where trees needed to be replaced. The corner of the Wheatland's Estate where the Cherry tree blew down recently and also consider the lay by in front of the Wheatland's. A tree had blown down near the Play area at Badgers Way which needed to be replaced. Areas in the village needed to be looked at and a list brought forward for the Parish Council. *Resolved*: Cllr S Gregory was to carry out this task and report back.

20/2022 HIGHWAYS AND STREET LIGHTING

- (a) Church Road- An e mail had been received from a local resident requesting consideration be given to placing another street light in Church Road outside "Borrowdale" Councillors discussed this and further enquiries were to be made.
- (b) An e mail had been received as a copy letter forwarded to Shropshire Council from a resident of Yeaton complaining of the speed of traffic travelling through Yeaton. *Resolved*: Cllr A Woodthorpe to put together a reply on behalf of the Parish Council and Speed watch group.

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- (c) An e mail had been received from a local resident at Weston Lullingfields in respect of the street lights and their timings. The comments were noted and a reply forwarded by the Chairman.
- (d) Speeding- Weston Lullingfields An e mail had been received from the Chairman of Weston Lullingfields Village Hall raising concerns for children in the village and speeding traffic. **Resolved:** Cllr A Woodthorpe to reply on behalf of the Parish Council and the Speed watch group.
- (e) Speeding -Walford Heath- An e mail had been received from a resident of Walford Heath with regard to speed of traffic through Walford Heath. **Resolved:** Cllr A Woodthorpe to reply on behalf of Parish Council and Speed Watch group.

21/2022 BADGERS WAY PLAY AREA

There was nothing to report.

22/2022 FINANCES

- (a) Cheques for Approval – The following cheques totalling £2667.32(which includes VAT) were put forward for approval. These were proposed by Cllr B Welti and seconded by Cllr A Woodthorpe and agreed by all.

003264	P. Birch Contracting Ltd (General Maintenance)	568.02
003265	P. Birch Contracting Ltd (Cemetery)	229.37
003266	A Howls Salary-January	1089.68
003267	Egerton Tree removal (re issue)	250.00
003268	P G Skips Ltd (December)	42.56
003269	Inland Revenue	373.18
003270	Staples-Stationary	41.95
003271	PG Skips Ltd (January)	42.56
003272	SALC-Training Course	30.00

Resolved: Payment of the cheques was approved.

- (b) Other items of expenditure for consideration

There were none.

23/2022 CORRESPONDENCE -.

All correspondence received had been dealt with under their headings.

24/2022 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 10.10pm. The next regular Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 7th March 2022 at 7.30pm at Baschurch Village Hall.

Signed.....

Dated 7th March 2022