

# **BIDFORD ON AVON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **In the County of Warwickshire**



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Bramley Way, and Bidford on Avon, after the Annual Parish Council Meeting**

### **PRESENT**

Chairman                      Cllr. Fleming

Cllrs.                             Atkins, Harvey, Hiscocks, Mrs Keeley, Knight, Pound, Mrs  
Randell and Spiers

Also present:                 County Councillor Brain  
District Councillors Howse and Pemberton  
3 members of the public

In attendance:              Mrs E. Uggerløse, Clerk to the Parish Council

### **1. TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES**

*None*

### **2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

- All members of the Council are respectfully reminded that in order to comply with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Parish Council on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2012, if any matter arises during the meeting in which they have declared a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) they should leave the room  
*There were none*
- Written requests for Dispensations for DPI should be received by the Clerk no more than 24 hours prior to the meeting.  
Dispensations will be granted as appropriate  
*None required*

### **3. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> JULY 2014**

Cllr Mrs Keeley proposed the Minutes of the Parish council Meeting be accepted as being accurate

**RESOLVED** the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting be accepted as an accurate account, and signed by the Chairman

### **4. YOUTH FORUM**

There were no young people present at the meeting

### **5. PUBLIC FORUM**

A residents noted that the old Medical Centre on the High street was still being used. This was confirmed by the District Councillors that advised that patients who were having difficulty accessing the new centre were being given seen at the old premises.

### **6. COUNCILLOR FORUM**

The chairman raised the issue of the “memorial garden” at the Honeybourne Crossroads. It was now some 20 months since the fatal accident and consideration should be given to have the memorial removed for safety reasons.

When the area is being maintained, the vehicles, and trailers, simply stop on the Honeybourne Road, blocking the traffic and making it difficult to see, which is dangerous and may cause accidents.

It was agreed the Amenities Working Group should draft a protocol for these incidents to be put forward to WCC.

Cllr. Brain advised he had spoken to the family and it was hoped a permanent solution, such as having a plaque on an existing post, would be acceptable to them.

### **7. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

- **Temporary Closures**

- 2 in Broom: one at the beginning of September the other at the end of the end.

- 1 x Welford, at the end of September that would affect Tower Hill

- **Waterloo road new Island** - this had been inspected following concerns raised by the Parish Council, and it was deemed to be safe.

However, as concerns continued, Cllr Brain would request it be reviewed

**RESOLVED** to note the report

### **8. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

- **Overview and Scrutiny Committee** – had agreed to look at ways of making Stratford on Avon a dementia friendly council. The number of sufferers is expected to grow considerably.

Cllr Howse was also pursuing the possibility of a Dementia Café in Stratford upon Avon, similar to that already running in Alcester.

- **New Business Centre in Stratford upon Avon** – full details of this can be found online at

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/news/news.cfm/archive/1/item/135437>

- **House supply** – SDC has reached the 5 year land supply, plus buffer, required. This, together with the submission of the Core Strategy, expected to take place end of September, should assist in defending planning appeals.
- **Standards and Ethics Committee** - Cllr Kim James (Salford Priors PC) has been named the Parish/Town Council representative on this committee  
**RESOLVED** to note the report

## 9. CLERK'S REPORT

No report

## 10. TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE FROM NALC/WALC

- **Newsletter ADH/112/2/2014** (circulated)  
Councillors are requested to note the contents and bring to the attention of Council any issues they believe to be of concern or special importance
  - i. Elections 2105 – Call for ideas and Practice to get more people involved in local democracy  
It was proposed that a notice encouraging more people to think about becoming a councillor be included when sending out the Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire  
**RESOLVED** to approve the motion  
**RESOLVED** to note the contents of the newsletter
- **WCC/Parish Council Summit of 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014**  
Report of the meeting circulated for information  
**RESOLVED** to note the report
- **NALC Conference** – NALC are offering 2 free places at their National Conference in Bristol on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. (except travelling costs) Agenda of the event enclosed.  
Council to consider if it would like the name of any of its Councillors to be entered into the draw.  
It was noted the date of the conference was 18<sup>th</sup> September.  
Cllr. Harvey would like to attend if drawn

## 11. TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE FROM SDC

- **Consultation Alerts for Parish Councils** (both starting on 21.08.2014 and ending 02.10.2014)
  - i. Site Allocation Plan to accompany the Core Strategy
  - ii. Community Infrastructure Levy – Draft Charging Schedule**RESOLVED** to note and await official consultation documents
- **Update of the 5 year housing supply** (circulated)  
**RESOLVED** to note the good news

## 12. TO CONSIDER REQUESTING SDC TO LIFT THE CONSERVATION STATUS ON MILLERS BANK, BROOM (report circulated)

A motion was put forward that the Parish Council approve this request.  
**RESOLVED** to approve the motion which was passed unanimously

## 13. TO CONSIDER REPLY FROM ST.LAURENCE PCC REGARDING THE WAR MEMORIAL PLAQUE (circulated)

The Parish Council made it clear that it was extremely disappointed with the reply that the PCC would still not allow the re-siting of the bronze plaques in the church. It was felt St. Laurence is the village parish church and the local community would like the WWI commemorative plaques that had been removed for safety, to be safely re-sited in the Parish Church.

It was proposed the Parish Council approach Coventry Diocese/

**RESOLVED** the Clerk to write to Coventry Diocese, asking its assistance in this matter.

**14. TO CONSIDER REQUEST UNDER THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT FOR SUPPORT FOR THE “RIGHT FOR PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS TO SELL ELECTRICITY” PROPOSED BY PATCHAY TOWN COUNCIL circulated)**

The Council considered this a proposal well worth supporting and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the motion of support.

**15. TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING STANDING ORDER PAYMENTS (Ref – PCMins.March 2014/10/WALC)**

- Salaries (Clerk and RFO)
- WCC pension – end of each month
- De Lage Landen – lease of photocopier on a quarterly basis

**RESOLVED** to approve the proposal

**16. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- **14/00935/LBC Mr Fritz Ronneberg, Broom Tavern, 32 High Street Broom**

Installation of three low energy lights on the side of the building

**RESOLVED** no representation

- **14/02065/FUL – Mr John Shrimpton, 10 Court Way, B50 4BN**

Proposed conservatory to rear and alterations to existing store the Council considered this to be a “retrospective” application, as both the store room and conservatory were already built.

The Council considered the wooden structure of the store room not to be in keeping with the street scene and it

**RESOLVED** to object due to the structure not being in keeping with the street scene, particularly bearing in mind it was on a main street and highly visible.

- **14/02117/TPO Mr G M Schofield, 17 Old School Mead B50 4AW**

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**RESOLVED** no representation

**17. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THIS MONTH’S PAYMENTS AND ACCOUNTS**

Full details had been circulated

- **High Interest Deposit account investment**

The RFO had recommended the following investments be made

- £100,00 for 3 months, when the current amount matured on 4<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2014

**RESOLVED** to approve the recommendation

**Expenditure**

Wages	£2,580.34
As per cheque list	17,733.59
Grants	900.00
DDM	1,377.12
HID Deposit	<u>100,000.00</u>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>£122,591.05</b>

**Income**

Car parking	1,380.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,380.00</b>

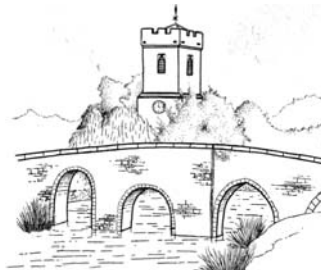
**RESOLVED**

- To approve the accounts
- To approve payments subject to the following amendments:
  - i. Cheque No. 6109 in respect of the pension contribution was cancelled as payment will be done by standing order
  - ii. Cheque No. 6112 to Marlcliff Residents Group, in respect of the Participatory Budget, had not been written out, so the Clerk raised the payment for £500.00, not the £50 as per the list, £500.00 being the approved amount awarded.
  - iii. That £5,000 be transferred from the Deposit to the Current account to cover the month's payments
- That Cllrs. Harvey and Pound sign the cheques

The meeting closed at approx. 8.20 pm

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### **CLERKS REPORT – August 2014**

- **Participatory Budget for Bidford-on-Avon**  
Notices have been posted on the noticeboards and on the website and the information relayed via the Village Email Information  
To date one request has been received.
- **Footpaths**  
Work has already started with the Broom footpaths being cleared and the footpaths between Victoria Road and Westholme Road.
- **Village Directory**