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BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman Richard Brett

DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING 2015-Mar Held on 10th March 2015. 8pm in Bicton Village Hall

PRESENT:

Parish Cllrs: Richard Brett, Elliott Blackmore, Roy Bound, Sue Llewellyn, Deirdre Grennan.
Parish clerk-Peter Anderson, Plus 4 parishioners,

OPEN FORUM

Former Shropshire County Councillor John Roberts has died. John was always keen to attend BPC meetings. He thought that the parishes had a vital contribution to make to local government. His reports were full but never lengthy. The clerk will send BPC's condolences to his family via his son, SC Councillor David Roberts.

Police report: PC Jon Summerfield was in attendance, he reported that CS Keith Hadfield has retired and will not be replaced, just yet. Jon was told about the damage to Cllr Bound's garage. Stuart Leighton commented on the parking problems around The Oval, a vehicle on a footpath is only causing an obstruction if it is not possible to conveniently walk past it. Parking close to a junction is potentially an offence.

0. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

0.1 Cllr Llewellyn, 4.3, her son is an SC footpaths officer, Cllr Bound, 4.7, this is the cost of setting up the BPC website.

1. **APOLOGIES** for ABSENCE were received and accepted, from: Martin Davies, Wendy Horan, Sally Maddox, SC Cllr. John Everall. **NOTED**

2. **MINUTES** 2015-Feb of previous meeting held on 19/2/15 were confirmed and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING

4. PARISH MATTERS

4.1 Bicton Primary School *Standing Agenda Item* Mrs Pridding has offered to help to pay for the defibrillator. She has put in contact with Cllr Horan.

4.2 Lengthsman, reported instructions *Standing Agenda Item* Kevin has cleared out the grips alongside Calcott Lane. A hole has been dug, by children, in Muriel's Little Wood, Martin will fill it in.

4.3 Parish footpaths *Standing Agenda Item* Discussion of the Parish Paths Partnership is deferred to the next meeting when Cllr Maddox will be present. The soil has been removed from Grange Bank footpath, this is a great improvement for a very modest cost. The finger post on Grange Bank, which points towards Bicton village, has been replaced. There is the possibility of some funding for the improvement of the driveway by Bicton Pool.

4.4 Yellow lines on Isle Lane SC Highways dept is against extending the yellow lines because; 1, it will put parking further down the lane, or on to Shepherd's Lane, or on to the main road; 2, it may cause the pub to lose trade. **Noted.**

4.5 Ownership and usage of bridleways. The land under a bridleway belongs to the landowner whose land it passes through; he has the right to use the bridleway and to pass and re-pass with tractors and farm machinery.

4.6 Suggestions have been received for the improvement of Bicton Lane and for these to be added to the Place Plan; these are, improvements to the footpaths, a formal crossing and parking control. These will be added to the Bicton Place Plan at the next review. SC traffic engineer Mike Davies will be asked for a safety review. In the mean time; the give way lines from Church Lane into Bicton lane may better if they gave the right of way in to the village rather than up Bicton Lane.

4.7 Bicton Pickers; risk assessment for litter picking. Cllr Maddox has organised this, she is absent from this meeting, it is advisable that she should explain the risk assessment; so this item is deferred to the next meeting.

5 PLANNING

5.1 Land East of the Cottage, Calcott Lane, 14/03319/OUT. This application is still pending, awaiting for a section 106 agreement.

5.2 Land adjacent Grange Cottage, access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale. 14/05204/REM. SC granted. **Noted.**

- 5.3 The Four Crosses Inn is applying to be a Wedding Venue. If this does not add to the parking problems then BPC has no objections.
- 5.4 Land West of Mayfield, Holyhead Road, 15/00826/FUL, erection of one dwelling. BPC objects to this application because it is outside the SAMDev area.
- 5.5 Hollyhurst, Bicton Lane, 15/00734/FUL, extension and detached garden store. BPC has no objections because there is plenty of off road turning and parking for cars.
- 5.6 Les Stephan Planning Ltd (LSPL) has sent an email to BPC requesting a private meeting about a planning proposal. BPC will not have private meetings in such circumstances. LSPL will not tell BPC what the proposal is. LSPL is organising a public exhibition on 1/4/15 at the Four Crosses Inn. BPC will have to wait until then to find out what, and where, the proposal is.

6. OFFICIAL MATTERS

- 6.1 Monthly Audit of Accounts Bank Statement number 299 £17,437.22 verified by the Chairman.
- 6.2 Muriel's Little Wood, Safety Report, *Standing Agenda Item*. Apart from the hole, which some children have dug and will be filled in soon, all is safe.
- 6.3 Review of the BPC risk assessment and insurance. The meeting inspected the risk assessment and the insurance cover and found everything to be satisfactory.
- 6.4 Reply from Mathew Mead to BPC's complaint about the LJO grouping. SC Cabinet has approved the changes and another review is not likely to happen soon.
- 6.5 Bicton is to receive £8,266.72 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) BPC must sign a Neighbourhood Fund Agreement. This was signed, the clerk will return it to the clerk.
- 6.6 Ian Hutchinson is appointed as the BPC internal auditor for 2015.

7. PARISH ACCOUNTS for payment

- 7.1 Grant towards a village defibrillator. £200.00. This was not paid because, in the absence of Cllr Horan, it was not known to whom the cheque should be made out to.
- 7.2 Bus shelter cleaning Jan-Mar. £42.50 chq. 983
- 7.3 Clerk's expenses Oct-Mar. £300.00 chq. 984
- 7.4 Clerk's salary, Jan-Mar. £98.50 chq. 985
- 7.5 Shovelling soil off the Grange Bank footpath. £25.00 chq. 986
- 7.6 Repairs to street lights S and Q. £113.88 chq. 987
- 7.7 Richard Brett, for setting up the BPC web site. £90.00 chq. 988
- 7.8 Payment of 7.2 to 7.7 proposed by Cllr Blackmore, seconded Cllr Llewellyn and agreed.

8. EXTERNAL ITEMS

9. EXTRA INFORMATION Any Additional Information not specified on the agenda.

- 9.1 The footpath, beside the B4380, from the Four Crosses to Shelton, is becoming covered with leaves and debris, this is mainly caused by the fence against the adjoining land. The land owner, Mr Morris, will be asked, by Cllr Blackmore, if he can remedy the situation.
- 9.2 There has been some parking enforcement at the Four Crosses, 4 cars were booked for parking on the pavement.
- 9.3 The Community Speed Watch scheme has only got 3 names; it needs 6.
- 9.4 The Cornhill School Newsletter is available electronically.
- 9.5 Shrewsbury Town Clerk, Helen Ball, has sent some notes about a conference she attended. The summary is that all councils must work closer together to deliver services efficiently.
- 9.6 Cllr Maddox says not saying that 2 of the speed restriction signs on the B4380 are leaning at an angle, Cllr Blackmore will take a look.
- 9.7 The clerk is requested to tell the Montford clerk that the footpath where the B4380 meets the A5, north of Montford Bridge needs sweeping.
10. **NEXT MEETING** to be held on Tuesday 14th April 2015. at 8.00pm in Bicton Village Hall

MEETING CLOSED 9.59 pm

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