

2021-May.a.

BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman Richard Brett

MINUTES (Draft until signed) of meeting 2021-May, 11th May 2021, 8pm in Bicton Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Parish Cllrs: Richard Brett, Elliott Blackmore, Sally Maddox, Wendy Horan, Sue Llewellyn, , Mandie Lee, Rod Warren, Paul Quartermaine, Deirdre Grennan, SC Cllr. Lezley Picton, Parish clerk-Peter Anderson and 2 parishioners

This begins with the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, which is a statutory requirement to allow parishioners to raise any subject that they wish. Then follows the ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING. Also, normal parish business is conducted.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

- 1 **Annual Parish Council report.** Chairman's report. Financial report See attached in the minute book. Cllr Quartermaine and the clerk were thanked for the financial report, as was the chairman for his customary comprehensive report.
 - 2 **Reports from Parish Organisations.**
 - 3 **Reports from external organisations, including; Shropshire Council and Police.** SC Cllr Picton reported that the covid pandemic had caused 3 lockdowns at SC but also that it had brought out the best in people. Some jobs had carried on such as footway clearing, pothole filling and processing planning applications (especially the SWSUE and the NWRR); and Bicton is now confirmed as a hub. There will not be a dam on the Severn at the NWRR. Solutions further upstream are being looked at. There is more pressure than ever on SC finances, especially from social care and children's services. The council tax increase does not cover the extra expenditure. Shropshire has 3,200 miles of roads to maintain and the £40m grant is just for potholes but even more money is needed. Traffic changes in Shrewsbury do not please everyone; 'linear parking fees' and traffic calming on Barker street are contentious.
 - 4 **Bicton Primary School**
 - 5 **Representations from Parishioners.** Any comments, views or requests?
 - 6 **Bicton Village Hall,** The village hall committee will meet soon.
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B ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 2021-May. To immediately follow the Annual Parish Meeting.

BICTON PARISH COUNCIL (BPC) APPOINTMENTS

2021/22

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0. Elect BPC Chairman Richard Brett	Richard Brett
1. Elect BPC Vice Chairman Sally Maddox	Elliott Blackmore
2. Appoint BPC Press Officers Mandie Lee	Sue Llewellyn
3. Confirm BPC representative to Bicton Village Hall Richard Brett	Richard Brett
4. Appoint BPC representative to Bicton Primary School Wendy Horan	Wendy Horan
5. BPC Trustee for St Chad's Charity Tina Richards	Tina Richards
6. Elect a representative to the Local Joint Committee Mandie Lee	Elliot Blackmore
7. Elect a deputy rep. to the Local Joint Committee. Elliott Blackmore	Sue Llewellyn

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST In items on the agenda, Cllr Blackmore, 6.5, he is a near neighbour. Cllr Llewellyn, 5.3, she is a near neighbour and her son is doing some contract work for the Lion Lodge footpath owners.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. **VERIFY DRAFT MINUTES 2021-Apr, dated 13/4/21.** These were accepted as a true and accurate account.

3. MATTERS ARISING

- 3.1 Street parking in Shrewsbury is now charged on a 'linear basis'; this means that cars can park all day, if payment is made, the consequence is that there are not so many spaces for pop-in-pop-out shoppers.
- 3.2 Posts on road verges; Bicton Lane has been inspected, by an SC officer, and is OK. It is not known if the officer also inspected Shepherd's Lane, Cllr Picton will enquire.
- 3.3 There has been no response to the newsletter advert for allotment holders. Therefore it is assumed that there is no demand. The adverts will be discontinued.

4 PLANNING

4.1 21/02204/P3KPA Four Crosses Inn, Application for prior approval under Part 3, Class T of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 for the change of use from Class B1/C1/C2 or D2 to registered nursery. The applicant, Rachel Moelwyn-Williams attended and answered questions. It is an application for a day nursery licensed for 100 children, not necessarily all there at the same time. Security will be strong to keep the children safe and to keep them off the road. There will be traffic at peak times on this already busy junction but that is not sufficient reason to refuse permission. BPC has no objections to this application.

4.2 21/01819/FUL The Haven, Shepherds Lane, Shrewsbury, SY3 8BT Erection of detached garage. BPC has no objections.

5. PARISH MATTERS

5.1 Muriel's Little Wood, safety report. Cllr Warren reported that all is safe. Nothing has been heard so far from the tree surgeon, Max Jellicoe, the clerk will contact him.

5.2 Lengthsman report and instructions.

5.3 Footpaths report. The footpaths are generally in good condition. Work on the Severnway has not started, Lion Lodge footpath, update; the fencing arrangements are now such that horses will no longer be put on the patch with the footpath in it.

5.4 *I am writing to complain about the amount of organised scramble events at Bicton, as there have been scramble events every weekend for the past 5 weeks, I was informed by one of the participants that these are run by different organisations. I was under the impression that the above would be a monthly event. The noise is very intrusive, to the point where spending time in the garden is not a option.* BPC is aware that there have been events for 3 weeks. Different fields are used and this, along with weather conditions, can make the noise less, or more, intrusive. The complainant will be asked to monitor the events and report back to BPC.

6. OFFICIAL MATTERS

6.1 Monthly Audit of Accounts Bank Statement number 376, £47,263.07 verified by Chairman.

6.2 Summary of accounts. See attached in the minute book.

6.3 The 2021/22 precept has been received, £11,950.00 Noted

6.4 CIL of £7,318.67 has been received. Noted

6.5 The Shropshire Council (Land south of Churncote Roundabout, Welshpool Road, Shrewsbury) TPO 2020 (Ref: SC/00464/20) was confirmed with modifications today on the 30th April 2021. Noted. (As an aside it is noted that Euro Garages, the owners of this site, has objected to the NWRR.)

7 PARISH ACCOUNTS for payment

7.1 Kevin Williams, lengthsman duties, March/April £250.00

7.2 It was agreed to pay the above account.

8. EXTERNAL ITEMS

8.1 I am writing to inform you that Western Power Distribution will be undertaking a reinforcement scheme on Welshpool Road, Shrewsbury adjacent to Little Oxon Lane. From 17/05/21 to 11/06/21. Noted.

9. **EXTRA INFORMATION** Any *Additional Information* not specified on this agenda.

9.1 Some trees have been removed at Bicton Hall, this is beneficial because it has let more light in.

9.2 It is thought that there are some tree preservation orders from 1972, Cllr Picton will look in to this.

9.3 Zoom will no longer be needed for BPC meetings so Cllr Maddox will cancel it.

9.4 Cllr Maddox did a litter pick on her own. A grandfather and grandson did a litter pick in Muriel's Little Wood and the brook. They collected 3 sacks of rubbish. The grandson was well satisfied with the result.

9.5 The defibrillator has been inspected and is OK.

9.6 The phone box book exchange is proving popular. What would be good would be more stuff to interest children.

9.7 BPC's objection to the NWRR was reported in The Guardian newspaper.

9.8 Speeding traffic in Montford Bridge, Stuart advised a concerned resident to write to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

10. **NEXT MEETING 2021-Jun** to be held on Tuesday 8th June 2021. at 8.00pm in Bicton Village Hall

MEETING CLOSED 9.42 pm.
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