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BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman Richard Brett

MINUTES (Draft until signed) of meeting 2017 Aug, 8th August 2017. 8pm in Bicton Village Hall

PRESENT:

Parish Cllrs: Richard Brett, Elliott Blackmore, Sally Maddox, Wendy Horan, Sue Llewellyn, Martin Davies, Rod Warren, Parish clerk-Peter Anderson, Plus 4 parishioners.

POLICE REPORT PC Jon Summerfield is retiring. An experienced officer will replace him. The rest of the team will remain and policing will continue at the same high standard. There have been more burglaries in the SNT area. In Bicton there was one criminal damage and one assault (no complaint.) The speed trap was in Bicton on 31/7/17.

OPEN FORUM

Jan Bevan reported 1, that there is an amendment to the planning application for 3 The Coppice. (85 care homes Holyhead Road). It is to do with the perimeter; a fence is now intended. It is not clear if this involves the removal of the hedge. The clerk is asked to contact the planning officer. 2, She also reported that work on the SWSUE is expected to start soon, when David Wilson Homes (a subsidiary of Barratts) has finished at Bowbrook. 3, She also pointed out that there is a restrictive covenant on some of the land to the east of Calcott Lane, on which the application for 300 houses is pending. Apparently some of this land used to belong to SC; when it was sold the covenant said no building was allowed. It is to be expected that SC would rescind this covenant for a payment of between £12m and £24m. 4, She is also concerned about the speed of traffic on Shepherd's Lane, she wants BPC to ask SC if it can be blocked off as Racecourse Lane has been. **The clerk is asked to contact SC to ask if Shepherd's Lane and Calcott Lane can be blocked off and also can Isle Lane have a speed limit?**

0. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

0.1 Cllr Davies, 4.2, he is the lengthsman.

1. **APOLOGIES** for ABSENCE were received and accepted, from: SC Cllr. Lezley Picton, Jane Mullineux, Deirdre Grennan. NOTED

2. **MINUTES** 2017-Jul of previous meeting held on 11/7/17 were confirmed and signed.

3. **MATTERS ARISING**

3.1 Kevin has cut the hedge on Isle Lane.

3.2 Steve Barker will deal with the dead trees.

4. **PARISH MATTERS**

4.1 Bicton Primary School *Standing Agenda Item* It is holiday time.

4.2 Lengthsman, report and instructions *Standing Agenda Item*

4.3 Parish footpaths, *Standing Agenda Item* The boggy section of the Severnway is still boggy. Tom Llewellyn is awaiting the delivery of a bigger digger. Otherwise the footpaths are quite good. There is a section by Grove Lane which is impassable. 4 nearby gates have a problem each. Tom Llewellyn will be asked to look at the gates.

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5. **PLANNING**

5.1 24 The Oval, extension, roof lights, 2m high boundary wall, underground LPG tank. 17/03344/FUL. The plans were basic, confusing and not explicit. But even so BPC was able to reach the decision of no objections.

5.2 Milns Bridge, new dwelling following the demolition of the previous house, 17/03202/FUL, for decision. BPC strongly objects; it is out of scale, it is out of character, it is not traditional it is not

rural, this application is retrospective, the new house is half built and so far it is not innovative, it is just a big house.

- 5.3 The Coppice, Holyhead Road, (the 85 care home complex) 3 internally illuminated signs, one of them saying "OPEN TO THE PUBLIC". 17/03333/ADV. BPC strongly objects; it is not rural, there will be light pollution, a cafe open to the public is inappropriate because there is not enough parking, this site is residential-why does it need signs? It is not in keeping. There are 32 parking places for; shop staff, cafe staff, a mini bus, carers, visitors, cleaners, residents, maintenance staff and emergency access. 32 spaces are obviously not enough.

6. OFFICIAL MATTERS

- 6.1 Monthly Audit of Accounts Bank Statement number 330 £53,434.19 verified by Chairman. A lengthsman grant from SC to BPC has been awarded of £2112.10, this has not arrived yet.
- 6.2 Muriel's Little Wood, Safety Report, *Standing Agenda Item*. The wood needs a good prune. Cllrs Mullineux and Warren have a maintenance plan which they will put into action between now and March at no cost to BPC. They intend to shorten the holly to 5 foot, open access to the centre but leave lots of cover for wildlife.
- 6.3 Reply from Peter Nutting about the allocation of CIL money within the parish. There is £132,338.31 in the *CIL local pot*. To access this BPC will need a properly costed proposal. Mathew Mead is to be asked for advice about this process.

7 PARISH ACCOUNTS for payment *Plus any additional late accounts*

- 7.1 Dog bag dispenser £94.80. Refill bags, case of 800, £31.20. Carriage £8.10. Total £134.10 Carmen Eccleston of SC recommends that BPC should not proceed with this because SC cannot afford to pay for a dog waste bin to be emptied. The clerk will ask her why cannot the regular dustcart empty a general purpose bin?
- 7.2 Kevin Williams, lengthsman duties, £219.00 chq 1075.
- 7.3 Payment of the above account, 1er Cllr Horan, 2er Cllr Blackmore and agreed.

8. EXTERNAL ITEMS

9. **EXTRA INFORMATION** *Any Additional Information* not specified on the agenda.
- 9.1 The 'no dog poo' signs, by the church, have been repositioned.
- 9.2 The road verge by The Coppice (85 care homes) is a mess.
- 9.3 The last street light on Bicton Lane is out. The clerk will report this.
- 9.4 Litter; Sally and Deirdre will do Calcott Lane, Sue will do Isle Lane. Jan Bevan picks up litter on Shepherd's Lane. The other day she picked up a bag of used medical gloves!
- 9.5 Bicton Lane, a lorry hit a parked car. Richard has ridden in the cab of a lorry and taken a video, which it is intended to use to train other drivers.
10. **NEXT MEETING** to be held on Tuesday 12th September 2017. at 8.00pm in Bicton Village Hall

MEETING CLOSED 9.46 pm
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