

2018 Sept.a.
BICTON PARISH COUNCIL
Chairman Richard Brett

MINUTES (Draft until signed) of meeting 2018-Sept, 11th September 2018. 8pm in Bicton Village Hall

PRESENT:

Parish Cllrs: Richard Brett, Sue Llewellyn, Elliott Blackmore, Sally Maddox, Wendy Horan, Deirdre Grennan, Mandie Lee, SC Cllr. Lezley Picton, Parish clerk-Peter Anderson and 7 parishioners.

POLICE REPORT There were 47 recorded incidents, but these seem to include Bicton Heath and traffic incidents on the A5. If these are taken out, the parish of Bicton has a very low crime rate, but it pays to be vigilant and to apply sensible security measures.

OPEN FORUM

Lorries are still causing problems on the bad bend on Bicton Lane. The other day a lorry was struggling to negotiate the bend at 4am. There is an agreement with the farmer that there should be no lorries on the lane between 11pm and 7am. Shropshire Council can do little but write a stern letter. Cllr Picton has a meeting with the highways dept next week where she will raise the problem. Weight restrictions do not apply to contractors for local access. A guide line painted on the road could help. Cllr Blackmore will speak to Mark Gethin about possible solutions.

Stuart has picked up 2 bags of litter which included a dead chicken in its feathers! Jan has put a no litter sign by Oxon Pool, which has helped somewhat. Cllr Blackmore will get some more signs worded in such a way as to discourage littering. Gordon organised a litter pick on Grange Bank.

Baschurch has got some anti-speeding signs which light up with the vehicle's speed and a thank you if it is under the limit. Cllr Picton will find out more about these for us.

Removal of the old phone box; Cllr Picton has some information about how to do this which she will email to the clerk.

SC Cllr Picton reported that there is a debate within SC about whether or not to discontinue the Community Enablement Team. There will also soon be a meeting about redesigning the Place Plans in to Shrewsbury Rural and Shrewsbury Urban. Also, SC has plans to change the CIL arrangements because parish councils are sitting on a lot of funds that could be spent infrastructure. Mathew Mead has obtained a guesstimate for improving Grange Bank footpath. To set a new kerb-line, move the centre line and re-profile the road would cost at least £150,000. The footpath is considered to be not much used and would be given such a low priority that, to be realistic, it will never be done. It could be possible to move the hedge line back, Cllr Picton will ask Kier if this is viable. The damage to the road verge at Shelton has still not been repaired; Cllr Picton suggests that the clerk should write to Steve Brown of SC.

0. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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1. **APOLOGIES** for ABSENCE were received and accepted, from: Martin Davies, Rod Warren
NOTED

2. **MINUTES** 2018-Aug of previous meeting held on 14/8/18 were confirmed and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Cllr Blackmore looked in to the issue of the street light shining in to the bedroom window. It would be prohibitively expensive to fit a diffuser.

3.2 Electrician Bob Williams will wire in the de-fibrillator and tv soon.

3.3 Tom Llewellyn has repaired the Calcott Lane bench. This bench used to be at The Four Crosses; when the OLR cuts off Calcott Lane it may be best to move the bench again to a better location. For the moment it is often used where it is.

4. PARISH MATTERS

4.1 Lengthsman, report and instructions *Standing Agenda Item*

4.2 Parish footpaths, *Standing Agenda Item* The Severnway is boggy.

5 PLANNING

5.1 Shelton Heath, there is a master-plan for developing this area, submitted by Berrys who request a meeting with BPC. The clerk has issued an invitation to Berrys to come to a BPC meeting. Helen Howie, the Berrys agent, is on holiday but will come on 9/10/18. Noted.

5.2 The Oxon link Road application will go to committee, date to be arranged. Cllr Brett will represent BPC.

6. OFFICIAL MATTERS

6.1 Monthly Audit of Accounts Bank Statement number 343 £46,079.65 verified by Chairman.

6.2 Muriel's Little Wood, Safety Report, *Standing Agenda Item*.

6.3 To redo the bank mandate for signing cheques. Cllrs Maddox, Grennan, Horan and Lee volunteered to join Cllrs Llewellyn and Blackmore as signatories.

7 PARISH ACCOUNTS for payment

7.1 Clerk's salary Jul-Sept 2018, £1405.00 chq 126

7.2 Clerk's expenses Ap-Sept 2018, £350.00 chq 127

7.3 Web site maintenance £165.00 chq 125

7.4 Repairs to Calcott Lane bench £150.00 chq 128

8. EXTERNAL ITEMS

8.1 'Local Transport Plan for Shropshire' 19/9/18, 10am-3pm. BPC is invited. Noted

8.2 An exhibition of the 'Shrewsbury Big Town Plan' is in St Mary's Church until 19/9/18. Noted.

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

10. **NEXT MEETING** to be held on Tuesday 9th October 2018, at 8.00pm in Bicton Village Hall

MEETING CLOSED 9.09 pm
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