

Bitterley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Bitterley Village Hall On Wednesday 8th November 2017

PRESENT Chairman: Mr RJ Osborne

Members: : Mrs AM Holman (Vice Chairman), Mr HWJ Watkins, Mr J. Gatehouse, Mr T. Millard, Mr P. Martin, Mrs. K. Wheeler and Mr R. Watkins. Also present: Mrs S Jones (Clerk)

- 1) **To receive apologies and reasons for absence:** Mr. C. Chillingworth, Mr D Rogers, Mr. C. Mccamley and Mr. R Huffer
- 2) **Declarations of Interest:** Mr HWJ Watkins planning application at Hall Farm
- 3) **Public Participation:** Mr K Griffin from Bridge Cottage Middleton attended to comment on the new "40mph" speed limit at Middleton, that used to be "30". It has made the corner more dangerous. Drivers are now speeding up when they hit the "40 mph" limit and it is far worse than it was before. The bus operator is using the road that shouldn't be used by HGV's: the cut through from Henley to Middleton. SC transport to be informed
- 4) **To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 13th September, 2017** the minutes where **APPROVED** and it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed and **ADOPTED** as a true record. Proposed by Mr J. Gatehouse and seconded by Mr HWJ Watkins. **Minutes signed by the Chairman.**
- 5) **Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th September, 2017**
None
- 6) **Roads**
 - a) Ask Shropshire Council for the school route from Angel Bank around to Bitterley and then to Henley can be gritted in bad weather.
 - b) The grass needs cutting on the footpath on the Henley to Ludlow verge.
 - c) Signage Squirrel and Snitton Lane: the road sign only indicates one turning can we have an amended sign, clerk to contact SC.
 - d) The potholes outside Gatehouses farm, Hilluppencott Farm are very bad and need attention.
 - e) The road outside Stone House Farm is dangerous with loose stones, the school bus uses that route. The last time that road was resurfaced that patch of road was not done although it was done either side.
 - f) Contact Severn Trent to find out if they are coming back to make good the road after the burst pipe outside Mill Farm. There needs to be gravel fill either side of the road and the drains are blocked and will flood when we get heavy rain.
- 7) **Planning Applications**
 - a) Planning applications for consideration
 - i) **17/04835/FUL** – Fairfield, 2 Dhustone Lane. Clee Hill. Erection of Single Storey building for ancillary use as a gym and home office following demolition of existing outbuilding. **Supported**
 - 17/04833/CDL** – 1 Daisy Bank, Farden. Application for Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed conversion of an integral garage to living space- FIO - no comment required.
 - 17/04587/FUL** – Titterstone Lea, Titterstone.-Change of use of land for the siting of a shepherds cabin for holiday use. **Supported**
 - 17/04764/FUL** – Hall Farm, Stoney Lane, Snitton - **Supported**

- b) Planning applications since last meeting
17/04442/TEL. Installation of a 18M broadband Mast at Angel Bank Farm, Bitterley.
Withdrawn new application to be submitted with an alternative site.
17/04127/FUL. 3 Farden Lane, Erection of extension to existing outbuilding to provide accommodation (ancillary to main building) **Supported**

8) Financial Matters:

a) **Financial Balance:** £24,974.01 after following payments made.

b) To approve the following payments:

a) Chq No. 000587	Npower	£136.05
b) Chq No. 000588	S Jones	£414.58
c) Chq No. 000589	S Jones (HMRC)	£82.92

9) Place Plan Review

Parish Plan has not be reviewed yet so just update the existing information with things that have been completed, next year's Place Plan will have the revised Parish Plan comments included.

10) Ludlow's New Community Led Plan

A new Community Led-Plan (CLP) is being developed for Ludlow, it is to develop an ambitious 5 – 10 year vision for Ludlow. To shape this vision and to identify priorities for the town based on local opinion, it needs to gain as many views from the community, and from key stakeholders as possible. Many people who live, work and visit Ludlow have a great love for the town and care deeply about its future. There is also a wealth of talent within interest groups and individuals who play an enormous part in adding to the vibrancy and lifeblood of the community. There is also an online questionnaire on Ludlow Town Councils website if you prefer to complete that rather than the one emailed

11) Shropshire Local Plan Review – “Preferred Scale and Distribution of Development Consultation

Information regarding the Consultation has been distributed consultation closes on the 22nd December comments to be submitted individually by Councillors.

12) Correspondence

a) Local Connection request: Martin Lewis. Based on the information that Mr Lewis has provided unfortunately the Parish Council are unable to confirm that Mr Lewis fits the Local Connection criteria. Clerk to contact Mr Lewis to see if there is any further information available.

13) Reports

a) Speeding:

Waiting for Mr Jarrier from Highways England to responded with the views of his team on the matter of the signage for HGV's.

b) Parking at Bitterley School

There have been no further meetings but the problem is getting worse. Residents are very anxious that if the emergency services needed to gain access they wouldn't be able to. Parents have been rude to residents, they are known to leave their cars for hours at a time not just to drop off for school. The post box is often inaccessible. There is a lot of friction between residents and parents. Contact the school to see if there have been any developments in finding a solution.

c) **LJC** Next meeting 30th November at 6.30 at Elim Church, Smithfield, Ludlow

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7.30pm.**

The dates of further meetings: 14th March

Note: All meetings will be at 7.30pm