

Bitterley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Bitterley Village Hall On Wednesday 10th January 2018

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, Mr. C. Chillingworth, Mr. C. Mccamley and Mr R. Watkins. Also present: Mrs S Jones (Clerk)

- 1) **To receive apologies and reasons for absence:**, Mr D Rogers and Mr. R Huffer
- 2) **Declarations of Interest:** None
- 3) **Public Participation:** None
- 4) **To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 8th November, 2017** the minutes were **APPROVED** and it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed and **ADOPTED** as a true record. Proposed by Mrs AM Holman and seconded by Mr. C. Chillingworth . **Minutes signed by the Chairman.**
- 5) **Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th November, 2017**
 - a) Some of the drainage work has been completed across the Parish and grit bins have been refilled, remind Shropshire Council of the areas that haven't been done. Clerk to **ACTION**
 - b) Still waiting for a response from Mr Jarrier from Highways England to responded with regards to the signage for HGV's on the A49 to the B4364. Clerk to chase Clerk to **ACTION**
- 6) **Roads**
 - a) Not only does the grass needs cutting on the footpath on the Henley to Ludlow verge, but the footpath need to be reinstated as people are having to walk on the main road. Clerk to **ACTION**
 - b) 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, the drain to the brook also needs checking. Clerk to **ACTION**
 - c) Potholes by Snitton Farm are in desperate need of attention. Clerk to contact SC **ACTION**
 - d) Check if there is any progress on the Bitterley to Roundthorn Road. Clerk to contact SC **ACTION**
 - e) The road is eroding just past the junction of the A4117 on the B4364. Cars are driving in the rough gutter and someone will damage their car. Clerk to contact SC **ACTION**
 - f) The hedge at The Old Rectory is overgrown again. RO to visit landowner before it is reported to Shropshire Council.
- 7) **Planning Applications**
 - a) **Planning applications for consideration**
None
 - b) **Planning applications since last meeting**
 - i) **17/05726/FUL** Cloud Cottage, Farden Lane, Erection of part single storey and partial two storey extension **Supported**

c) Planning decisions:

Granted: **17/04587/FUL** – Titterstone Lea, Titterstone.-Change of use of land for the siting of a shepherds cabin for holiday use.

Granted: **17/04746/FUL** – Hall Farm, Stoney Lane, erection of agricultural building

8) Financial Matters:

a) Financial Balance: £23,728.88 after following payments made.

b) Approved since last meeting:

Chq No. 000590	K Adams	£90.00
Chq No. 000591	SALC	£341.53
Chq No. 000592	Bitterley PCC	£500.00
Chq No. 000593	RBL Poppy Appeal	£30.0

c) To approve the following payments:

Chq No. 000594	Npower	£136.05
Chq No. 000595	Cleeton St Mary PCC	£375.00

d) Expenses claims:

It was agreed that printer cartridges could be claimed for due to the large amount of planning applications that now have to be printed.

9) Precept Requirement 2018/19

A summary of the last year's expenditure was discussed and the impact of any increase on the Council Tax and it was proposed by Mr RJ Osborne and seconded by Mrs AM Holman to keep the precept at an "0%" increase at £7,032 all agreed.

10) Correspondence

- a)** Planning Guide
- b)** Data Protection Officer information

11) Reports

a) Speeding:

Glyn Shaw from Shropshire Council has explained that the VAS is not being activated as the trigger appears to be 35 MPH. This is difficult to do on the bend it is on. GS is going to put the strips back across the road to monitor the speed now, so we will have to wait to see what the results are, but the first impressions are that the traffic is going too fast. The VAS at the Bridgnorth end is still very bright and we have had complaints from members of the public.

b) Parking at Bitterley School

Contact the school to see if there have been any developments in finding a solution. Clerk to **ACTION**

Contact Shropshire Council to find out what liability the Parish Council would have if we widened the layby **RO to ACTION**

c) LIC Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 14th March 2018 at 7.30pm** and is the **Annual Parish Meeting**

Note: All meetings will be at 7.30pm