

Bitterley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Bitterley Village Hall On Wednesday 11th January 2019

PRESENT Chairman: Mr RJ Osborne

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

- 1) **To receive apologies and reasons for absence:**
Mr D Rogers and Mr HWJ Watkins
- 2) **Declarations of Interest:** None
- 3) **Public Participation:**
No members of the public attended.
- 4) **To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 14th November 2018** the minutes were **APPROVED** and it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed and **ADOPTED** as a true record. Proposed by Mr T. Millard and seconded by Mr. C. Chillingworth. **Minutes signed by the Chairman.**
- 5) **Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th September 2018**
 - a) It has been reported that the stones that have been put down to protect the verge are dangerous, SC have requested that they be removed.
 - b) The clerk to chase with SC why the footpath at Henley still hasn't been cleared.
 - c) Clerk to chase contractor for quote for Highway maintenance works.
 - d) Parish Paths to be followed up in the Spring.
 - e) Still awaiting the repositioning of the VAS in Middleton.
 - f) Clerk to chase Hugh Dannant regarding the speeding traffic at Henley Lane, Middleton.
- 6) **Roads**
 - a) There have been several accidents at Snitton Gate when cars are waiting to turn right as they come from Ludlow, in the most recent accident one of the vehicles was written off. The traffic from Ludlow is travelling too fast and as the vehicles are stationary they are being hit from behind. Clerk to contact Jason Hughes to see if anything can be done to help the situation.
 - b) The hedge at The Rectory needs cutting back, as visibility for traffic is poor, to be reported to Shropshire Council.
 - c) **Cleeton St Mary:** The bridge is in a poor state of repair there are a few potholes on the bridge which need attention, there is a salt bin on the side of the road to the bridge where the ground it is on is falling away so access to the bin is difficult. On Goldthorne Bank the side of the road is badly broken up and there are also several very bad potholes. All to be reported to Shropshire Council.
- 7) **Precept Requirement for 19/20**
The clerk presented a summary of the Income and Expenditure for this financial year to determine what level of Precept was needed for the coming year. It was proposed by TM and Seconded by RW to request £7,161.

8) Parking at Bitterley School

Alternatives still being discussed, the loop idea in the field next to the school is still being explored, but without any housing.

9) Defibrillators and Phone Boxes

Mr Mark Kinsey has given the Parish council some information about defibrillators but it was felt as it is such a big decision to make on how many should be purchased, it would be an idea to invite Mr Kinsey to the Annual Parish Meeting so members of the Parish could hear about the scheme. There are five potential phone boxes that the defibrillators could be installed in.

10) Planning Applications

a) Planning applications for consideration

18/05853/FUL – Stone House Farm, Clee Stanton Road, Erection of a Conservatory
Councillor Millard declared an interest in this application and left the room whilst it was discussed. Supported

b) Planning applications since last meeting

18/05334/Ful – The Potteries, Conversion to Holiday Let – Withdrawn

11) Financial Matters:

a) Financial Balance: £26,683.32 after following payments made.

b) Approved since last meeting:

None

c) To approve the following payments:

Chq No. 000621	C Chillingworth (Printing)	£14.50
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12) Correspondence

a) None

13) Reports

a) LJC: The remaining money in the LJC pot will be used for Young Peoples Mental Health projects. Still awaiting to be told the future of the LJC.

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 13th March 2019 at 7.30pm and is the Annual Parish Meeting**

Note: All meetings will be at 7.30pm