



Bournheath Parish Council
Meeting held 23rd February 2011, 7.30pm
Bournheath Village Hall, Claypit Lane, Bournheath

Present Cllrs K May (Chairman), G Davies, S Davies, S Hall, B Lodge, S Westwood

In attendance Clerk: Gill Lungley
There were no members of the public present

11/02/01 **Apologies** Cllr H Feeney's apologies for absence were accepted

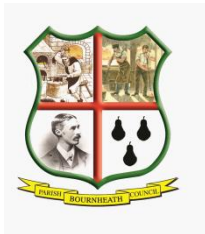
11/02/02 **Declarations of interest** There were no declarations of interest

11/02/03 **Minutes of previous meeting**

It was agreed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 26/01/2011; proposed Cllr S Davies, seconded Cllr G Davies and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

11/02/04 **Progress Reports**

- a) **Flooding, drainage and sewage issues** It was believed the Environment Agency were testing the water, believed to be contaminated from an unknown source; members are concerned that contamination may flow into the natural watercourse. It was agreed KM will follow this up via Environment Agency & WCC. **KM**
- b) **Speeding vehicles** Mr E Elijah (retired clerk) had contacted PC Kelso regarding speeding. It was agreed KM and SD would visit the local public houses to ask if signs could be displayed in their car parks requesting departing customers drive considerately through the parish. There were also concerns about pub-related anti-social behaviour and abusive language. **KM & SD**
- c) **Village Hall traffic barrier** This has been added to the insurance policy and asset register. **It was agreed** to accept the quote from Cassidy for the signs (3 no.) that are to go both sides of the gate and on the corner of the Village Hall, as agreed with the Village Hall committee. Three volunteers have been identified to open and close the gate whilst the Village Hall committee will retain overall responsibility for it; a small torch will be attached to the key ring.
- d) **Gritting Bins** The bins have not yet been replenished; it was suggested the next parish newsletter could state the grit is not for personal use.
- e) **New Notice Board** The Clerk to Belbroughton Parish Council would be asked if it was acceptable for a board to be sited in Fairfield; SH would seek quotes for the new notice board. **SH**
- f) **Pothole, Nailers Arms footpath** This was deemed 'low risk' (as advised by S Blagg reporting from WCC) and was to be removed from progress reports.



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- g) **Hedgerow, corner of Bournheath Road** This needs to be cut back as it is currently a hazard to road users; GD and SH agreed to visit the owners of the hedge to request the work is carried out.
GL will mention this to the clerk at Belbroughton as the hedge is in that parish.

GD
&SH

11/02/05 **Planning**

BDC application ref: 11/0119, Moorcroft, Wildmoor Lane
It was noted that the applicant is a member of the parish council but not present at this meeting. Members' comment was 'No objection'.
With reference to the previous application BDC ref 11/0012, members' comments had been submitted to BDC.

11/02/06 **Correspondence**

As per list attached including information from:

- D Hunter (WCC) stating Lengthsman scheme is to continue 2011/12
- BDC; update on members' allowances as advised by the District Remuneration Committee (no change to previous advice)
- County Councillor S Blagg; update for February 2011 including comments on the BDC Core Strategy
- S Mould (BDC) stating budget costs for the next election may be in the region of £1,500 - £1,800, split 50:25:25 (central government:BDC:BPC)
- WCC Consultation on Minerals and Waste Management (of specific interest to members regarding Wildmoor Quarry)
- WCC Consultation on Subsidised Public Transport Services

SD

11/02/07 **Clement Keys – external auditor**

The Chairman read out the letter from Clement Keys stating a qualified audit had been given; notice of the closure of the 2009/10 audit has been posted on the notice boards.

11/02/08 **Finance**

As per attached statement

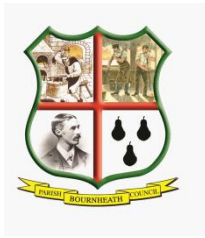
It was noted that VAT paid had been reclaimed.

It was agreed to pay the bills as presented plus the outstanding invoice for repair to the Christmas Tree lights £35.25, and re-imburement to SH of £8.40 for hawthorn hedging.

11/02/09 **Newsletter**

It was agreed to produce this year's newsletter in July; it was noted that this was later than usual to allow extra time for members involved in its production due to the May elections and the new Clerk. Notices for the elections would be posted on the notice boards.

- 11/02/10 **Wildmoor Section** Not considered at this meeting; it was agreed to consider the notice board at the next meeting.



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Date of next meeting and items for the agenda

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th March 2011 at 7.30pm.

Items to consider include:

- Sharing of resources with Catshill and North Marlbrook Parish Council
- Subsidised bus services consultation
- Election, Annual Parish Council meeting and Annual Parish Meeting
- Replenishment of gritting bins
- Lawn mowing
- Maintenance of benches and notice boards
- Information on flag flying days and the Bournheath flag pole

Additionally members require:

- A copy of the Asset Register
- Flag-flying diary
- Update on the parish footpath officer
- Blank Task Sheets

Chairman, Bournheath Parish Council

Date