



Bournheath Parish Council
Parish Council Meeting held Tuesday 30th April 2013, 7.30pm
Bournheath Village Community Centre, Claypit Lane, Bournheath

- Councillors present** Karen May (Chairman), Stuart Hall (Vice-chairman), Keith Drew, Hazel Feeney
Brian Lodge, Martin Millinchip, Stephen Westwood
- In attendance** County Councillor, Woodvale Division, Sheila Blagg
District Councillor, Woodvale Ward, Brian Lewis
Clerk: Gill Lungley
- 13/04/01 Apologies** None
- 13/04/02 Declarations of interest**
None.
- 13/04/03 Dispensations** None requested
- 13/04/04 Public Participation / Question Time**
No members of the public were present.
- 13/04/05 Woodvale Ward Representative Reports**
County Councillor, S Blagg – present in an observational role due to period of purdah prior to county council elections on 02/05/2013.
District Councillor, Woodvale Ward, Coun B Lewis spoke of –
- Concerns about plans for a day/night golf course in Wildmoor.
 - Concerns about the Veolia landfill site application for an IBA installation which is being classed as brown field site.
 - Comments submitted to revised LGBCE proposals on Bromsgrove district ward boundaries.
 - Recent discussion at BDC council meeting regarding the central government grant provided to BDC that was intended for parish councils to which he had voted in favour of it being given to the parish councils but had lost the vote.
 - Cllr H Feeney asked a question regarding the road junction improvements at Mill Lane / Wildmoor Lane junction widening scheme where work starts 02/06/2013.
- 13/04/06 Police / PACT and Neighbourhood Watch reports**
None provided at this time.
It was mentioned that yellow lines have been painted around Fairfield Post Office; members believe this is a good move that has brought improvements. Illegal parking is soon to be decriminalised in the Bromsgrove district, meaning parking offenders will be fined by district council ‘parking warden’ officers rather than by the police.
- 13/04/07 Parish Footpath Warden (PFW)**
June Maw is liaising with WCC’s Countryside Officer and is to undertake training in the role of Parish Footpath Warden. Letter of thanks is to be sent to Warren King for his past work.

13/04/08 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 28/03/2013

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 28/03/2013 were agreed and signed.

13/04/09 Chairman's Report – Cllr Karen May

Brook contamination concerns : an oily-looking deposit was present in the brook; this was tested by the Environment Agency and was found to be harmless algae.

Severn Trent meeting : Ian Harrison, Severn Trent Water area manager, attended on Wednesday 17th April with Shaun Micklewright and Alison Walton to meet with residents affected by flooding. It had been an informative meeting but no improvements will happen if people do not come forward to register their properties as being flooded. Registration is important to get help and improvements as this is the only way to ensure the area will lose its flood risk status. The North Worcestershire Water Management team will also provide practical help. Severn Trent Water are currently consulting on their plans for the next five years.

West Mercia Police HQ: with Cllr S Hall KM had attended the meeting on 24/04/2013 at Hindlip Hall which was very interesting and informative. Insp Sharron Cannings is keen to meet with parish councils and KM hopes this can be arranged in a shared meeting with Catshill and North Marlbrook parish council. There are concerns that policing patterns may follow the district ward boundary review.

13/04/10 Clerk's Progress Reports

- a) Notice board at Bournheath Village Community Centre – GL to pass on catalogues to the village community centre committee to choose style and design.
- b) Tuppenny Cake – Cllr S Hall has planted a new tree, a Norway Spruce and is to surround it with netting.
- c) Local Government Boundary Commission – the subsequent re-consultation has now closed and a decision is expected in June 2013.
- d) Community Asset list – Coun Brian Lewis clarified the situation relating to the District Community Asset List; the clerk is to add properties as agreed at the last meeting.
- e) Access to playing field from public right of way - Jackie Boreham, Parks and Leisure Officer at Bromsgrove DC had been approached by resident of 30 Fairfield Road to close up the gap between their field and the playing field.
- f) Items carried forward: Standing Orders review (NALC are to revise in Autumn 2013 to take into account the changes to the Members' Code of Conduct etc.); bulk oil purchase.

Members' questions

- 1) Gates to playing field – neither of the gates seems to close properly; GL will forward concerns to Bromsgrove DC.

13/04/11 Planning

- a) No new applications received since last meeting:.
- b) The appeal decision on Valley Farm had been notified; the appeal was dismissed.

13/04/12 Wildmoor report – Cllr Hazel Feeney

Cllr K May advised the meeting that she had spoken to the Highways Agency in relation to noise and vibration from the M5 being experienced by residents in Wildmoor. Safety fencing is to be installed.

Cllr H Feeney reported that for the last month work has been undertaken at Mount Pleasant, to clear the grounds to the house on the corner of Mill Lane/Wildmoor Lane; already about 50 cars and vans have been removed with still more left. Bonfires have created thick black smoke which has been reported to Environmental Health but it would appear it is difficult for them to take action. Residents continue to be concerned about this site.

Wildmoor report – Cllr Hazel Feeney cont.,

Residents would like to see the plans for the road junction improvement scheme that is to take place at Mill Lane/Wildmoor Lane; approved as part of planning application 09/0985.

Casa Onofrio Luangelisa – the residents have submitted an application to make use of the new building built as garage to be used as a dwelling, (considered by parish council at last meeting).

13/04/13 Bournheath Village Community Centre – Cllr Keith Drew

Community First funding is being spent on matters relating to administration eg health and safety, disabled access etc.

Currently seeking builders' quotes for insulation of the building and for developing the smaller (meeting) room to be used as a larger room that could be used at the same time as the large hall. Sources of funding are being looked into; it was suggested the committee could look at Biffa or MVKelly.

For communications the management committee have a mobile phone number (07516 723360) and the original Hallshires site is up and running again.

Time at the hall is being reserved for village matters on Fridays and weekends, at least once per month. (From the parish council KD was asked if this could be used for 1st Aid training courses and/or garden club/demonstrations.)

The Spring Bunny Hunt will take place on 05/05/2013.

Community First have been helping the committee to clarify the unusual lettings agreements put in place by the previous hall management committee.

Date for the Diary - Saturday 22nd June, "The B Fest" an all-day event in the hall and on the field.

13/04/14 Precept for 2013/14

Bromsgrove DC have decided to retain for themselves for a year the DCLG funding specifically intended for parish council tax payers and will distribute it next year to offset the council tax charge. Members agreed to write to Eric Pickles MP, Secretary of State for Department of Communities and Local Government and Brandon Lewis MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for DCLG with responsibility for Local Government cc to Richard Levett at WorcsCALC, stating disquiet at Bromsgrove DC's actions.

13/04/15 Parish Council newsletter

The draft newsletter was approved. Members agreed to print after the County Council election results are known so that the correct information can be included prior to printing.

13/04/16 Severn Trent Water

There had been a disappointing turnout to the meeting with Severn Trent Water on 16/04/2013; the current number of 'drivers' ie reported number of houses affected by intrusive flooding, is small so more people who are actually affected by flooding need to report it. If enough people can come forward to report flooding then something may be done to remove the area from being at risk of flooding.

Members agreed to respond to the current Severn Trent Water consultation, next meeting.

13/04/17 CALC survey

Members completed the Worcestershire CALC members' survey for the clerk to submit.

13/04/18 Annual Review of Risk

Members considered the Risk Review and agreed it with the additional inclusion of the highways planters.

13/04/19 Audit: Approval of Annual Statement, Annual Governance Statement and Asset List

Members approved the Annual Return for the year ended 31/03/2013, including Section 1 Accounting Statement and Section 2 Annual Governance Statement. The independent internal auditor had completed Section 4 and had provided a report to members which was read out and will be circulated to members for reference; it was noted the report stated the internal auditor had found 'good internal controls and records well kept. There are no areas of weakness to report'.

Members approved the revised Asset List to 31/03/2013 which showed a reduction to the value of Christmas lights (due to waste/obsolescence and purchase of new lights), the deletion of the old waste-bag dispensers and addition of new notice board and new waste-bag dispensers.

13/04/20 Correspondence

- Worcs CALC weekly updates
- Bromsgrove DC invitation to Annual Meeting of the Council and buffet supper 15/05/2013
- Dodford with Grafton Parish Council invitation to attend Annual Parish Meeting on 23/05/2013 which is to be addressed by Bill Longmore Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia
- Zurich Municipal insurance quotation available
- Glasdon brochure – council hardware products.

13/04/21 Finance

- a) Members were provided with current financial information showing receipts and payments to date and budget comparison.
- b) **It was agreed** to payments as per payments schedule to 30/04/2013.
- c) Authority was delegated to the Clerk to raise a cheque to pay for the insurance premium when the renewal notice is received.

13/04/22 Items for next agenda and for general consideration

- a) Purchase of spring bulbs – to decide quantity and planting sites; to consider bulk purchase with Catshill and North Marlbrook parish council.
- b) Members agreed to help with watering of the roadside planters.
- c) Cllr M Millinchip stated his intention to resign after the Annual Parish Council meeting.

13/04/23 Date and time of next meeting

Annual Parish Council meeting Wednesday 29th May 2013, at Bournheath Village Community Centre, Claypit Lane following on from the Annual Parish Meeting that starts at 7pm.

This meeting ended at 10.30pm.

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Chairman, Bournheath Parish Council

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Date