

# BAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting of Bayton Parish Council held in Bayton Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**Present:** Cllr Blount (Chairman), Cllr Clarke (Vice Chairman),  
Cllr Miles, Cllr Adams, Cllr Williams, Cllr Carver, Cllr Taylor

**In Attendance:** Clerk, Two Members of the Public, County Cllr Ken Pollock

1. **Apologies:** None
2. **Declaration of Interest:**
  - a. **Register of Interests** – Cllrs are reminded to keep their registers updated.
  - b. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** –  
All Cllrs Item 21, Bayton Village Hall due to being residents of the Parish and using/supporting the Hall occasionally.  
Cllr Clarke item 21 and 12 due to being PC Representative at Hall meetings but not a Trustee.  
Cllr Taylor Item 13 Clows Top Amateur Dramatic Productions grant application due to Cllrs son being in the production.
  - c. **Other Disclosable Interests** – See above.
3. **Dispensations** –
  - a. To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) –  
It was agreed to grant a Dispensation to all Cllrs to speak and vote until May 2019 on Item 21 see above.  
It was agreed to grant a Dispensation to Cllr Clarke to speak and vote until May 2019 on Item 21 and 12, see above.  
It was agreed to grant a Dispensation to Cllr Taylor to speak and vote until May 2018 on Item 13, see above.
4. **Public Question Time** – See notes at end of minutes.
5. **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 were agreed by all and signed by Chairman.
6. **County Cllr Report** – Apologies received, no report received.  
**District Cllr Report** – Report at end of minutes.
7. **Progress reports for information** –
  - a. **Slow signs for Bayton Parish** – Cllr to meet with Bayton School Head to see if it is something School could help with. PC have been advised children can influence parents. Clerk to contact Community Safety Partnership for further advise.
8. **Reports on Meetings attended by Clerk or Cllrs:**  
**MHDC Conference 23<sup>rd</sup> October, Clerks Gathering 30<sup>th</sup> October** – details of meetings circulated.
9. **Finances** –
  - a. **Payments made** – Mr J Mapp (LM September/October 2017) = £390.00, Clows Top Amateur Dramatic Productions (see item 13) = £75.00, Hollands Coaches (minibus 13 weeks) = £180.00.
  - b. **To report receipts since last meeting** – None.
    - a. **Bank Reconciliation October 2017**(circulated) – Signed by Cllr balance agreed as £20970.97 in cash book.
    - b. **Budget for 2018-19** – Budget to end of September 2017 circulated for information.
10. **Planning:**
  - a. Plans circulated since last meeting – **None.**
  - b. **Decisions received since last meeting** – **None.**
  - c. **Plans for comment on tonight** –  
**17/01548/FUL – Caravans 12 and 13, Badgers Walk, Pool Lane, Clows Top – Change of use of two caravans from holiday to residential.** After discussion it was agreed by all to make no objections to this application but to put a comment on saying PC would not wish to see further units placed on this site in the future.

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**17/01721/FUL - Teddon Farm, Beach Hay, Clows Top DY14 9NQ - Erection of an agricultural building for machinery and fodder storage together with the formation of a rolled stone apron and access track.** It was agreed by all to support this application.

11. **Bayton Village Hall Representative** – It was agreed by all Cllr Clarke can stay in this post if she wishes. Cllr Clarke agreed to remain and thanked Cllrs for their support.
12. **WiFi Grant for Bayton Village Hall** – It was agreed by all as Bayton Village Hall will be responsible for the WiFi it was correct they be given the form to ensure they were aware of their role before the PC signed the form to accept the funding. It was also agreed some formal agreement needs to be signed by both parties to ensure both are aware of their responsibilities and that neither party can withdraw from the agreement until the end of 2 years from installation of the WiFi. The grant does not cover a signal booster, Hall to be informed of this.
13. **Clows Top Amateur Dramatic Productions** – It was agreed to grant £75.00 as last year.
14. **Road report**
  - a. **Lengthsman** – Grips, gullies to be cleared.
  - b. **Problems to report** – Clows Top Road, this has been brought to the County Cllrs attention, Clerk to report again and keep County Cllr updated.
  - c. **Clerks Meeting with Highways update** – No further updates have been given from WCC.
  - **Houghtons Pole Bridge** – Now fully open. Cllr wished a note to be put in these minutes to clarify that WCC had carried out the survey of the bridge to ensure it was safe for use without further major works being undertaken.
15. **Centenary WW1** – It was agreed to work with Church, Hall and School on this. Funding to be discussed at next meeting.
16. **Correspondence for information** –  
Email correspondence circulated - list in minute's folder.  
**CALC Training dates 2017-18 circulated.**  
**CALC AGM 15<sup>th</sup> November** – 5pm Trade Fair – AGM 6.30pm – Worcester  
**26<sup>th</sup> October – Bayton Church mains water connection** – Clerk was asked to contact WCC to speed up this process, the work is now scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup> November thanks to the efforts of WCC.
17. **Clerks report on Urgent Decisions since last meeting**  
**17<sup>th</sup> October - Oak Tree Recreation Ground** – complaint from resident passed to Bayton Village Hall Chairman.
18. **Councillors' reports and items for the next agenda.**  
**Agenda items** – WIFI, Lease for Bayton Village Hall.
19. **Date of next Meeting** – 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018
20. **Cllrs to agreed close meeting to the Public due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed**
21. **Bayton Village Hall Ownership/Lease** – It was agreed to send all relevant papers to Solicitor and to discuss the matter further when he has given his opinion.
22. **Bayton Village Hall letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> November sent to Parish Council** – Due to the contents of this letter the Clerk felt the matter should be discussed in private by the PC. It was agreed the contents of the letter were incorrect, Clerk to respond accordingly and Cllr involved may respond direct to the letter writer. It is not a matter for the PC to discuss further.
23. **Meeting Closed 9.08pm.**

Signed-----  
Chairman

Date 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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**Residents raised no issues.** Cllr queried Gritbin refills, Clerk explained yellow bins will be filled by WCC, the PC have 2 green bins on Ninevah Road which PC need to monitor, they are full at present.

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## County Councillors Report

**Tenbury Public Realm** - The work is on schedule to finish before the end of the month, with four night closures scheduled for the 27<sup>th</sup> November onwards for the carriageway works, i.e. laying new tarmac on Teme Street, and relaying the raised tables using proper red coloured tarmac as originally specified. The closures will be from 21.00 to 06.00 and will last as long as necessary. Teme Street work will be complete before the Santa Parade on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December. I trust that all parties will be satisfied with the end result of this extended work, and that Tenbury will flourish as a retail and visitor centre once the work is complete.

**County Council affairs** - While the overall picture of finances is difficult, there are a number of very encouraging developments. The Worcestershire Rail Investment Strategy was approved. This plan, based on work done by consultants, outlines the priorities for rail development in the county, with great emphasis on the new Parkway station to be opened in the winter of 2018/19 and achieving two trains per hour from Worcester to Paddington. One of those should be a high speed train averaging a lot more than the current 55 mph.

**Kidderminster Station** - developments approved, this is the second most used station in the county. Pershore will see important road improvements, including a new bridge over the main railway line to linkup with the Wyre Piddle bypass. This will relieve some of the problems at the Pinvin crossroads.

**Local Transport Plan (LTP4) approved.** This outlines all the possible transport improvements across the county to be considered between now and 2031. It does not in any way guarantee the funds to carry out these projects, but rather describes an envelope encompassing all the schemes we would like to see implemented. There are also priorities given, so that it can be seen what work might be undertaken first, as funds become available. In all of these matters, we see a useful counter balance to the difficulties experienced in Children's Services and with Adult Social Care and demonstrate there are valuable developments that will affect the lives of the great mass of Worcestershire people in a positive way.

**Velo Birmingham Bike Event** - There have been many positive comments about its value and one of the major charities benefitting from the event, the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Charity (including three other hospital trusts) and the Leukaemia Trust informing me that they are each in receipt of £400,000 from the participants. The Director will now decide whether to permit the event to go ahead in subsequent years and, if so, whether the route might be modified to minimise disruption and loss of business.

**CLlr Ken Pollock, Cheltenham, GL50 2BZ**

**14.11.17**