

Badsey and Aldington Parish Council Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING, 26th September 2022.

Date:	26 th September 2022.
Time:	7.30pm
Venue:	Backroom, The Wheatsheaf, High Street, Badsey.
Present:	Councillors: Gary Bailey Chairman, Mike Tennant (MiT) Vice-Chairman, Andy Wilson, Mike Gwynn, Alan Tutton, David Webster, Becky Stanley, Ian Devine, Paul Allen and Alastair Adams. The Clerk: Mrs Andrea Evans.

Public Forum

Editor of Community News attended to read out his communication to PC as follows:

The PC have been offered a full blank page (750 words) on which to outline information about Pear Tree Fields. The submitted text and photos if provided will be printed verbatim.

There are only two more issues of community news up to the end of the year largely due to printing costs. A smaller, less glossy edition could be considered as a joint venture and possibly delivered less frequently. The current editor will cease in post in December regardless of whether a different format is agreed.

This matter will be considered under item 7c.

A minutes silence was held at the start of the meeting as a mark of respect for Queen Elizabeth II.

Business Transacted.

1.	Accepted Apologies for Absence- Sue Keeler, Lynn McDarby, Phil Cordelle and Elizabeth Chalmers.
2.	Declarations of Interest – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests. b. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature. c. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature. (Councillors with pecuniary interests must leave the room for the relevant item(s)). None.
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20th July 2022 were approved, proposed by BS, seconded by AT with a unanimous vote in favour.
4.	Police Matters: Matter was raised regarding speeding cars around horses at Bowers Hill, Highways have agreed signage warning of horses, community speed watch has been unsuccessful with Badsey parish due to lack of volunteers, however, clerk will contact PC Trowman to assess what can be done.
5.	Clerks Report & Facebook:

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Social Media Report 20th July – 25th September 2022

FACEBOOK

Likes	937	(up 38)
Number of Subjects	20	
Number of Posts	20	
Page Views Total	20966	
Per subject average	1048	
Per post average	1048	
Top Subject	4523	Blackminster Road Close

EMAIL NEWSLETTER SERVICE

Subscribers	81	49
Campaigns	None in Period	None in Period

SURVEY MONKEY

Nothing in progress.

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| 6. | <p>District and County Councillor Forum (if any)</p> <p>District Councillor-</p> <p>County Councillor – a. Report will be posted on website and noticeboard when received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Local Government Boundary link review: Frontpage LGBCE Site Largely no changes within this area. b. Councillors considered whether they would be willing to pay for a speed survey on Badsey Fields Lane following a request from a resident. This matter has already been referred to Highways who advised that the previous survey was carried out in 2017 and showed no huge speeds therefore they would not fund another survey. They advised that the cost of a survey is approx £282 which could be paid by PC but couldn't guarantee that they would consider the information or take any action based on it. It was unanimously agreed to not pay for the survey. The PC has asked that a VAS be considered but Highways have confirmed that there is no suitable place on this road. |
| 7. | <p>Parish Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Land update: |

1. **Memorial tree planting-costs-** It was agreed that BG rules would be amended to read ' the cost of a memorial tree will be the current cost to purchase and plant based on the prescribed tree list. Memorials will be the cost of standard memorials already stated' Clerk has registered interest in a new tree grant called Tree-Call to Action Fund (TCAF) and will apply for Woodland Trust trees as soon as species are confirmed with Vale Forestry.
2. **The provision of soil bin & black bin-** Wychavon have been contacted to request provision of these bins.
3. **Scattering of ashes-** It was unanimously agreed that scattering of ashes will not be permitted at this time. This is so that this is not seen as a licence for unauthorised scattering without a cemetery licence. The BG rules will be reviewed on an annual basis.
4. **Future maintenance/planting of flower planters-** Flower planters are not currently being maintained and are looking unsightly at PTF. Councillors considered whether to remove them completely but it was agreed that they would enhance the site if planted, watered and tended properly. It was agreed to ask allotment holders if they are willing to look after them, there is an easy water supply. A budget will be available for plants and other materials required. If no volunteers are forthcoming, it was agreed to approach the contractor who refills the roadside planters for a price.
5. **New signs, benches, ragwort-** Benches are in situ, signs are being ordered, councillors have removed ragwort from site and grass has now been flailed.
6. **AT requested consideration for providing an observatory that could be used by school and interested persons,** he has met casually with like-minded people to see if there would be an interest in this kind of project, there are already 10-12 people who have expressed an interest. The PC needs to consider whether planning permission would be required, whether the overage regarding the sale of the land to the PC would be activated and how the project would be funded and where grants may be available. ID proposed, seconded by GB with 8 votes in favour and 1 against to look into the matter for further consideration
7. **Closure of churchyard-** PC has received an 'application for representations to be made by the Ministry of Justice for an Order in Council to discontinue burials in Church of England churchyards (section 1 Burial Act 1853)'. Councillors considered if they would want to take on responsibility for maintenance pursuant to section 215 Local Government Act 1972. After extensive discussion taking into account the costs and any works that need carrying out which are unknown and the fact that the PC has already provided a public BG, MiT proposed, seconded by GB with a unanimous vote in favour to pass the request to Wychavon DC for their consideration and for them to take on the responsibility.

- b. **Events Update-**
 - i. **Soapbox.**

Notes from meeting of Soapbox- Wednesday 21st September 2022.

- Event date is confirmed as Bank Holiday Sunday 27th of August 2023
- First aid officers from Severn Training- Need to look for alternatives as officers were late and not effective.
- Junior category work well and will be sponsored in future by Paxford Garage. It was suggested that we contact local schools with pupils age 14 plus to ask about including in DT lessons and to raise awareness. Schools to contact:
TDMS.
Prince Henrys
Chipping Campden
AGS
Evesham College
Worcester Sixth Form College
- Crowd control proved an issue, it was difficult to keep people off the road. Suggestions of post with tape to hold back the crowd, a walking route at the back of the event using post from the Flower Show and/or orange fence as well as inflatable barriers. It was also suggested that loading lorries on the end of Knowle Hill reverse backwards thus blocking the route. Signage to be produced saying 'This way to races' to direct pedestrians. Agreed to have one designating crossing point at lower corner opposite grandstand. Signage to be produced: 'Crossing point'
- Insurance provision worked well with using existing public liability and notifying adjacent parishes.
- Road closure needs to be extended down to past The Wheatsheaf and road needs to stay closed until everything cleared away.
- Ian has emailed to book portaloos with B&W hire.
- This year's bar provider will not be doing events next year, it was therefore suggested that Dowdeswell do a bar and Wayside do a cider bar and work in conjunction. Gary will contact Dowdeswell and Dave will contact Wayside.
- BBQ providers were good with both very busy. Thanks go to both the Rec Club, in particular Russ and Lorraine and Peter Zembla.
- Commentary was excellent and the timings worked well. There are some minor tweaks to be done with communication and some reports that the commentary at the lower part of the course was too loud.
- Suggested that Marshalls meet on the Friday or Saturday evening before the event socially and explain what is required with a nominated team leader. This will take pressure off the event on the morning.
- Suggested that local groups be contacted to assist, suggested:
Badsey Rangers
Badsey Scouts
Badsey Guides
Badsey Archery
Badsey Sports teams
A donation to their group could be made.
- Purchases for the coming year: Banners that can be put around the village and entrance roads before the event two weeks before event
- Commentary box put it up 2 weeks before saying 'Soapbox event here'
- Agreed to make mention on publicity advising that there's disabled parking available
- Discussion took place about providing a designated car park but it was decided that this would be left as no complaints were received about car parking and this would be another area that would need to be manned.
- Thanks were given out to Matthew Bishop, Scott Richardson and Matt Coombes, colleagues and friends of Keith who did above and beyond

The Parish Council wish to thank Keith Cookson for all his hard work in getting this event up and running and it's successful execution and everyone else who volunteered their time to make this such a successful event.

Thanks should also be given to the parish councillors who gave up so much time on behalf of the PC to make this an excellent village event; Gary Bailey , Ian Devine, Andy Wilson, Dave Webster and Alan Tutton.

- ii. **Badsey Flower Show Stall-** It was unanimously agreed that after many years of having a stall at Badsey Flower Show, it was agreed that the PC would longer have a stall in future years as the PC has nothing exciting to promote at the event and therefore councillors are not approached.
- iii. **Christmas event -** It was agreed to meet to make arrangements for event on 16th December 2022.
- c. **Meeting between PC and PCC and comments in Community News-** Meeting has not yet taken place although PC has now received an email advising that PCC would like to meet a small number of councillors to consider the way forward. Councillors firstly considered the continuation of its own newsletter which has been produced 3 times per year. MiT advised that costs to produce the publication had soared and that there are always issues with getting material to fill the pages and enough people to deliver it. In view of the costs and other reasons, MiT suggested that the publication be produced on an annual basis around the Annual Parish Council Meeting summarising the previous year and looking forward to the ensuing year or when the PC has something important to say. This was unanimously agreed. It was agreed that the PC would still deliver a Christmas card to all households in December each year. AT and GB will check on the outcome of the Flowers Show category for the front picture of the card. The PC then considered discussion with the PCC regarding the continuation of community news in some form. Concerns were raised about working in conjunction with PCC as PC has not got spare funds to prop up the publication and has previously considered withdrawing its existing funding. Following extensive discussion, ID and AT agreed to meet with PCC to establish how it could work and provide more information to be considered by all councillors at October meeting. Such questions as: who would be the editor, who would chase adverts, who would print and who would chase after deadlines should be considered, this approach was supported by councillors. Councillors then considered a response to the article in the community news about PTF and a proposed response, if any. Extensive discussion took place about whether a reply should be made in the format described in public forum and whether this would be altered or would benefit the PC. GB proposed, seconded by ID with 6 votes in favour and 3 against to prepare a response. MiT agreed to write a piece which would be circulated and approved by councillors prior to submission. This will be submitted before the deadline of 10th October 2022.
- d. **Bulb Planting-** GB, DW, MG, MiT, AW and LM agreed to plant bulbs on Saturday 29th October 2022, time to be arranged, bulbs to be purchased.
- e. **Civility and Respect Pledge-**Councillors unanimously agreed to adopt this pledge.
- f. **Draft 'Vibrant villages toolkit'-** It was agreed to not proceed with this scheme
- g. **CPRE 'good quality village' idea-**Next agenda when councillors have looked at link of ideas.

Planning-

a. The minutes of 20th July 2022 were noted.

b. To note the following decision:

8a.	<p>Case No: W/22/01416/HP</p> <p>Location: 1 Pear Tree Corner, Pear Tree Lane, Badsey</p> <p>Proposal: 2 storey side extension.</p> <p>Parish Council Decision: No objections.</p> <p>Wychavon Decision:</p>
8b.	<p>Case No: W/22/01478/HP</p> <p>Location: Goosecroft, Willersey Road Badsey</p> <p>Proposal: Proposed new garage. Side canopy and fireplace with flue as approved under planning permission reference 21/00625/HP - variation of condition 2.</p> <p>Parish Council Decision: No objections.</p> <p>Wychavon Decision:</p>
8c.	<p>Case No: W/22/01528/HP and W/22/01529/LB</p> <p>Location: The Laurels, 26 High Street, Badsey</p> <p>Proposal: General aesthetic changes and repair, additional rooflights, replacement of door/windows, new entrance gate and structural changes.</p> <p>Parish Council Decision: No objections.</p> <p>Wychavon Decision:</p>
8d.	<p>Case No: W/22/01435/HP</p> <p>Location: 6 Allsebrook Gardens, Badsey</p> <p>Proposal: Demolish existing flat roof detached double garage and construct new flat roof single storey extension to side and rear including a new single attached garage</p> <p>Parish Council Decision: No objections.</p> <p>Wychavon Decision:</p>
8e.	<p>Case No: W/22/01668/FUL</p> <p>Location: Rocks Field, Offenham Road, Evesham</p> <p>Proposal: Change of use of land and creation of a new highway access and hardstanding for caravan usage in connection with planning consent 19/02392/FUL.</p> <p>Parish Council Decision: This should be determined by Highways.</p> <p>Wychavon Decision:</p>

c. To note the following planning appeal and Wychavon Planning Committee:

	8f.	Case No: W/22/01836/FUL- PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF:- APP/H1840/W/22/3293474 Location: Land off Kingshurst Drive and the rear of 66 Bretforton Road Badsey. Proposal: Full planning application for the development 21no. residential dwellings together with associated accesses, parking and landscaping Parish Council Decision: Wychavon Decision:
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9. a. To RESOLVE to approve the list of cheques to be drawn this month and the statement of the balance of accounts 2022, proposed by MiT, seconded by GB with a unanimous vote in favour.

Bank Account Reconciled Statement

Current Account

00028554

30-93-11

Statement Number

2

Bank Statement No. 2

Statement Opening Balance

£1,393.79

Opening Date

01/08/22

Statement Closing Balance

£7,083.23

Closing Date

12/09/22

True/ Cashbook Closing Balance

£7,083.23

Date	Cheque/ Ref.	Supplier/ Customer	Debit (£)	Credit (£)	Balance (£)
01/08/22	BACS220801AE		21.00	0.00	1,372.79
01/08/22	BACS220801ID	Ian Devine	0.00	295.00	1,667.79
01/08/22	D/D220801WDC	Wychavon DC	51.00	0.00	1,616.79
02/08/22	BACS220802AE	Andrea Evans	50.00	0.00	1,566.79
02/08/22	BACS220802ID	Ian Devine	0.00	150.00	1,716.79
02/08/22	BACS220802MH	Mike Hawkins	400.00	0.00	1,316.79
03/08/22	BACS220803LM	Lisa Mannina	0.00	615.00	1,931.79
03/08/22	BACS220803AE	Andrea Evans	33.98	0.00	1,897.81
03/08/22	Transfer		0.00	5,000.00	6,897.81
05/08/22	BACS220805NEST	Nest	160.29	0.00	6,737.52
08/08/22	BACS220808Ae	Andrea Evans	54.47	0.00	6,683.05
08/08/22	BACS220808HM	Just Memorials	0.00	100.00	6,783.05
08/08/22	BACS220808MP	Maurice Parkinson	826.80	0.00	5,956.25
08/08/22	BACS220808PS	Clean As A Whistle	20.00	0.00	5,936.25
08/08/22	BACS220808WS	Wychavon Sport	97.90	0.00	5,838.35
09/08/22	003452	HMRC	394.30	0.00	5,444.05
09/08/22	BACS220809FP	Funeral Partners	0.00	1,175.00	6,619.05
09/08/22	BACS220809WCC	Worcestershire County Council	0.00	98.00	6,717.05
10/08/22	BACS220810WCC	Worcestershire County Council	3,423.62	0.00	3,293.43
12/08/22	BACS220812JT	John Taylor	65.00	0.00	3,228.43
12/08/22	BACS220812JT1	John Taylor	65.00	0.00	3,163.43
15/08/22	BACS220815Ae	Andrea Evans	1,541.76	0.00	1,621.67
15/08/22	bacs220815sc	Smartcut	218.95	0.00	1,402.72

15/08/22	Transfer		0.00	5,000.00	6,402.72
19/08/22	BACS220819AE	Andrea Evans	6.49	0.00	6,396.23
19/08/22	Transfer		0.00	5,000.00	11,396.23
22/08/22	D/D220822NEST	Nest	160.29	0.00	11,235.94
25/08/22	D/D220825PWL	PWL	2,333.42	0.00	8,902.52
05/09/22	BACS220905AE	Andrea Evans	14.99	0.00	8,887.53
06/09/22	BACS220906WCC	Worcestershire County Council	0.00	123.00	9,010.53

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Bank Account Reconciled Statement

09/09/22	BACS220909AT	Andy Tyrrell	390.00	0.00	8,620.53
09/09/22	BACS220909SC	Smartcut	437.90	0.00	8,182.63
09/09/22	BACS220909TL	Tony Love/Love In Your Garden	50.00	0.00	8,132.63
09/09/22	BACS220909TP	Tim Pearce	350.00	0.00	7,782.63
12/09/22	BACS220808GPP	Graphic Print	55.00	0.00	7,727.63
12/09/22	BACS220912MP	Maurice Parkinson	644.40	0.00	7,083.23

Uncleared and unrepresented effects

Total uncleared and unrepresented	0.00	0.00
Total debits / credits	11866.56	17556

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Expenditure transactions - payments approval list Start of year 01/04/22

No	Payment Reference	Gross	Heading	Invoice date	Details	Cheque
142	BACS220920SB	£118.29	22401	20/09/22	Keith Cookson - Soapbox	£118.29
143	BACS220920NNR	£790.00	20400	20/09/22	Northwick Restorations - road signs	£790.00
144	BACS220920OAE	£43.95	21000	20/09/22	Andrea Evans - Hillers afternoon tea	£70.95
145	BACS220920OAT	£60.00	20400	20/09/22	Andy Tyrrell - balance beams	£60.00
146	BACS220920OAE	£27.00	21000	20/09/22	Andrea Evans - storage boxes	£70.95
147	BACS220920OSC	£218.95	20400	20/09/22	Smartcut - mowing	£218.95
Sub Total		£1,258.19				

	<p>Total £1,258.19</p> <p>b. Option to opt out of the SAAA central external auditor appointment arrangements- It was agreed that PC should remain within blanket scheme to ensure consistent auditing and fees.</p>
10.	Assets and Maintenance-
11.	<p>Health & safety-</p> <p>a. The provision of dog poo bag dispensers and poo bag boxes-Working well with 3 volunteers filling up bags and feedback is good.</p> <p>b. Hedge at Badsey Fields Lane entrance to Badsey Rec- Work on hedge by resident is complete and satisfactory. The hedge has been assessed by tree surgeon but to take it back anymore would leave it unsightly and potentially dangerous.</p> <p>c. Recycling bin at Badsey rec near to football pitch- Request received via a councillor but no other details of requirements have been supplied to consider.</p>
12.	<p>Lengthsman-</p> <p>a. Tasks for lengthsman- Rake leaves from path opposite The Wheatsheaf.</p>
13.	To consider items for future meeting:
14.	<p>Meeting closed at 9.36pm</p> <p>Date of next meeting: Wednesday 19th October 2022.</p> <p>NB: Date change of December meeting to 14th December 2022.</p>