



Bournheath Parish Council  
Parish Council Meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011, 7.30pm  
Bournheath Village Hall, Claypit Lane, Bournheath

**Present** Cllrs K May (Chairman), S Hall (Vice-chairman), K Drew, H Feeney, B Lodge, M Millinchip, S Westwood

**In attendance** Clerk: Gill Lungley

**11/06/01 Apologies**

Apologies for lateness were received from Cllr Millinchip (arrived at point \* in meeting)

**11/06/02 Declarations of interest**

Cllr K May declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 9(a) item 1 (min. no. 11/06/09) and left the room during discussion of that item.

**11/06/03 Public Participation / Question Time** No members of the public were present.

**11/06/04 Woodvale Ward Representative Reports** No member was present

**County Councillor Sheila Blagg** – apologies for absence; written report provided and read out by the Chairman with copy to be forwarded to members via e-mail. Comments related to the new proposed 'Blue Light response' base to be sited on the same complex as the Artrix / NEW College / David Lloyd club but which members believed would be better sited nearer to the M42 /M5 accesses at The Forest. Mrs Blagg had added the football pitch would be retained at that site.

**11/06/05 Police / PACT reports** No report

**11/06/06 Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 18/05/2011 were approved and signed.

**11/06/07 Chairman's Report**

- a) At the area committee meeting for Worcestershire County Association of Local Councils (WorcsCALC) held on 01/06/2011, KM had been appointed the Deputy Parish Council Representative to the District Standards Committee.
- b) KM was continuing to press for improved fencing alongside the M5 to deter local children from accessing the motorway via the embankment off Wildmoor Lane.
- c) KM and SH had attended Chairman's training at St Peter's, Worcester arranged by CALC.
- d) The next Woodvale ward PACT meeting has been arranged by Cllr C Scurrell (Belbroughton PC) for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 at Fairfield Village Hall.
- e) Training for parish council members had been held at Bromsgrove on the Code of Conduct which was attended by four members of this council (KM, SH, KD, BL)
- f) BDC's Planning Committee meeting had been due to consider an application for advertising signs on the Stoneybridge traffic island at junction of Stourbridge Road / Sandy Lane, but this had been withdrawn prior to the committee meeting.

**\*MM** arrived, with apologies for lateness

Members considered the application for these signs was not in the best interest of the local community as they would present a safety hazard to drivers due to reduced visibility and the inconsistent policy when relating this application to the removal of advertising signs along Sandy Lane.

- g) KM had attended the Bromsgrove District Parish Councils' Forum the previous evening which had considered issues related to planning including the Public Access system and the draft District Core Strategy, this latter not yet taken forward.
- h) Barnt Green Parish Council had written to all Bromsgrove parish councils seeking support for their comments to the Draft Core Strategy highlighting 'a number of striking mismatches between the stated aims of the strategy and the stated means of achieving these'. **Members agreed** to support the comments.
- i) The next meeting of the Parish Councils' Forum is Wednesday 28/09/2011 and **it was agreed** to change the date of the September parish council meeting to 21/09/2011 thereby allowing members to attend the forum.
- j) KM was continuing to lobby with regard to drainage issues.

**11/06/08 Clerk's Report**

- a) The clerk had attended a meeting for parish councils on Emergency Planning; paper copies of the presentation would be circulated to all members to consider for the next parish council meeting.
- b) Copies of correspondence not already mentioned or forwarded to members were made available.

**11/06/09 Planning**

- a) KM left the meeting for the first part of this item; the meeting was chaired by SH.
  - (1) Application reference B/11/0472, 44 Doctors Hill, Bournheath B61 9JE; proposed rear extension. Members comment was 'no objection'.

KM re-joined the meeting.

- (2) Application reference 11/0475, 16 Mount Road, Fairfield B61 9LW; proposed rear extension. Members comment was 'no objection'.
- (3) Application reference 11/0483, 33 Dodford Road, B61 9JP; proposed addition of sixteen solar panels on roof at rear of house. Members comment was 'no objection'.
- (4) Application reference 11/0498, Blue Cross Animal Welfare Centre, Wildmoor Lane B61 0RJ; proposed erection of a single storey veterinary and animal building. Alterations to existing cattery and existing reception building. Members comment was 'no objection'.

- b) A summary of recent planning authority (BDC) decisions was provided.

**11/06/10 Lengthsman update**

The Lengthsman would be asked to clear the gullies in Doctors Hill; he had also asked to be provided with black bags.

GL

<b>11/06/11</b>	<b>Bournheath Village Hall</b> The gate to the village hall car park is to be closed each evening at 6pm; keys have been provided. A request was made for a key to the rear safety door grille to be provided to all hirers.  Members recalled the comment made at the Annual Parish Meeting referring to the amount of dog-waste being left on the playing field; dog-waste bags are to be made available. The clerk will contact BDC to advise that the signs on the playing field have become 'greened over'. The gate is to be made more secure.	GL
<b>11/06/12</b>	<b>Training</b> Members will be provided with dates for attending locally delivered training.	
<b>11/06/13</b>	<b>Proposed Wildmoor notice board</b> It was suggested this may be sited at the entrance to Whitings in Wildmoor Lane, to the left of the gate and public right of way; the clerk will ascertain whether planning permission is required.  HF and SH will check the siting and size of proposed board (to take 8 x A4 pages)	GL  HF, SH
<b>11/06/14</b>	<b>Thanks to Bumble Hole Foods</b> A letter would be sent to Bumble Hole Foods for improving the appearance of the Rocky Lane entrance to the village with new tree planting.	
<b>11/06/15</b>	<b>Parish Council newsletter</b> Next issue to be ready for delivery in October; to include photos of the parish councillors, information on use of the grit bins, the village hall programme, neighbourhood watch, report from CSO, report from tree and footpath wardens, HF to report from Wildmoor Residents' Association, an article from the local historian (publican at the Gate), ads to be included as required from local hostelrys and Blue Cross etc. The clerk is to edit and collate articles; articles to be provided by 31 <sup>st</sup> August. KD will bring camera to the next meeting.	All  GL KD
<b>11/06/16</b>	<b>Hedge cutting schedule</b> The clerk is to find out when the Claypit Lane bank is to be cut and to point out that weed killer had been sprayed onto the young box hedging.	GL
<b>11/06/17</b>	<b>Worcestershire Agreement</b> Members agreed upon the actions for good working practice when communicating with Worcestershire County Council.	
<b>11/06/18</b>	<b>Welcome Pack for new residents</b> It was agreed to defer this item.	

**11/06/19 WCC Consultation on Landscape Character Assessment**

Members were to respond to this by 22/07/2011;  
details online at [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/lcaconsultation](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/lcaconsultation)

**11/06/20 Correspondence**

The schedule of correspondence was provided for members to view.

**11/06/21 Finance**

- a) **New bank account** – this is being progressed.
- b) **Current financial situation** – all members received a copy of the latest spread sheet and payments.
- c) **Payments** - were agreed as per schedule.
- d) **Audit** – the annual audit is currently underway, a response is expected towards the end of July 2011.

**11/06/22 Items for next agenda**

A new sign for the village hall gate  
Public footpaths warden  
Welcome Pack  
Wildmoor (standing item on agenda)  
Community Emergency Plan

**11/06/23 Date and time of next meeting**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2011, 7.30pm

This meeting ended at 11pm

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**Chairman, Bournheath Parish Council**

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**Date**