

# BAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting of Bayton Parish Council held in Bayton Village Hall at 7.00pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009

Present: Cllr Gray (Chairman), Cllr Miles (Vice Chairman),  
Cllr Carver, Cllr Burns, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Clarke, Cllr Christie

In Attendance: Clerk and 9 members of the Public.

1. **Apologies:** None
2. **Declaration of Interest:**
  - a. **Register of Interests** – No new forms requested.
  - b. **Personal Interests** – Cllr Taylor declared an interest in item 6(a) regarding School Parking due to having children at the school.  
Cllr Gray declared interest in item 9(b) **08/00932/OUT** planning application for Plowstall, Farm Bayton due to being neighbour to members of the family concerned.
  - c. **Prejudicial Interests** – None declared.
3. **Public Question Time** – See notes at end of minutes.
4. **Minutes of Meeting** held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2008 agreed by all and signed by Chairman.
5. **County/District Cllrs Report:** - Apologies received.
6. **Progress reports for information:**
  - a. **Parking at School** – New parking areas now resurfaced and being used.
  - b. **Housing Needs Survey** – Draft survey still being looked at by Chairman and Clerk.
  - c. **Smartwater** – 15 people attended meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> January at Clows Top and 14 packs were sold. Cllr Taylor can obtain further packs for interested parties. Also see notes at end of minutes.
  - d. **Plaque on Recreation Ground** – Letter of thanks sent to person who made plaque and letter to family at Shakenhurst informing them of plaque. Thanks given to Cllr for putting plaque up.
  - e. **Emergency Planning** – Further meeting being planned, document nearing completion.
  - f. **Freedom of Information** – It was agreed to charge 10p per photocopy plus cost of postage. Clerk's time cannot be taken into account.
7. **Reports on Meeting attended by Clerk or Councillors:**
  - a. **Smartwater meeting** - see 6(c) and notes at end of minutes.
  - b. **Village Hall meeting** - Chairman attended and highlighted Emergency Planning Document being formed by PC. Hall Committee willing to help in any way possible.
8. **Finances** –
  - a. **Payments made** –Village Hall rent (Aug-Nov08) = £35.00, WCALC Clerks training = £15.00, LM Payment Nov +December 08 = £180.00, Hollands Coaches 1/10-24/12/08 = £180.00.
  - b. **Payments received** – Police Grant for Noticeboard Clows Top = £250.00, Investment Acc. Interest Nov 08 = £16.98, Dec 08 = £10.18.
  - d. **Bank Reconciliation** – Signed by Chairman for Nov and Dec 08 (Current and Investment Acc.).
  - e. **Precept for 09/10** – Budget and forecast for 09/10 circulated. After discussion it was agreed by all to set precept at £6250.00 for year 09/10. Total Election costs for 08/09 were £887.44.
9. **Planning:**
  - a. Plans circulated since last meeting – **None.**
  - b. Decisions received since last meeting –  
**08/00932/OUT** – Outline application for an agricultural workers dwelling at **Plowstall Farm, Bayton** to utilise existing farm access and for the house to be sited adjacent to the current farm buildings. **Approved.**
  - c. Plans for comment on tonight –  
**WFDC - 08/0500/FUL** – Land at corner of The Terrace/Tenbury Road, ClowsTop, erection of 12 dwellings with associated parking and access. Revised drainage scheme. After discussion it was

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agreed letter be sent stating no comments on proposed drainage scheme but to refer to concerns raised in our last letter of June 08. Concerns raised by members of the public tonight to be highlighted. (see notes at end of minutes).

### 10. Road report

- a. **Lengthsman** – No Time Sheets yet received from retiring LM. New LM in place and invoice received. Cllrs should advise Clerk of work needing to be done and she will contact LM.
- b. **Problems to report** – Meadow Farm Hedges. Clerk had telephoned, no response, letter to be sent
- c. **Update on outstanding queries** – Clows Top Road drains still blocked but have been inspected and Clerk in direct contact with drainage man. Potholes being filled eventually.
- d. Highways meeting in Bayton 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 08 – notes circulated. PC was advised problem is a Police matter due to obstruction of resident's driveway. Suggested one fencing panel be removed to ease problem of access. Letter had been sent to neighbouring property and complainant.
- e. **Barriers at Severna Green** – Housing Association are to plant shrubs, situation to be monitored when this is done to see if barriers will be needed at end of footpath.

11. **Clerks Annual Review** – Chairman and Vice Chairman – date to be fixed before next meeting, postponed due to illness.

12. **Website and Noticeboard** – no contact details to be given, names only and Clerks contact details.

### 13. Correspondence for information -

See list attached.

### 14. Clerks report on Urgent Decisions since last meeting –

Muddy footpath between Village Hall and Barrier to Recreation Ground. Clerk already contacted WCC and school being advised to send letter to WCC.

Pothole by Perry House where utility companies had dug up road.

Bottom of School Bank – could bollards be put up to mark drains. Clerk to contact WCC.

Drainage Officer at MHDC to be contacted regarding long-term solution to flooding.

Water on Meadow Farm Road from land below Plowstall Farm.

Lack of gritting, letter to be sent to Highways. Suggested grit bin be put outside school. Clerk to contact school to see if they feel it is needed and would be used.

### 15. Councillors' reports and items for the next agenda.

Agenda items – Emergency Planning, Meadow Farm hedges, Website.

16. **Date of next meeting:** 19<sup>th</sup> February 09.

17. **Meeting closed 8.45pm**

Signed-----

Date 19<sup>th</sup> February 2009

**Chairman**

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9 members of the public were present.

**Plans for Clows Top** - see 9(c) above. 4 residents from Rock Parish attended as they were not aware of drainage scheme. Chairman stated Clerk had tried to get Rock PC to inform their electors of this amendment to the plans but they had discussed the matter at their December meeting and were unwilling to hold further meetings. The plans were viewed. Concerns were raised regarding parking spaces being lost for residents and customers of shops, also bus companies who are using the site.

**Police** – PC Tracey Wood attended. Police survey being undertaken in Bayton Village with members of the Parish Council on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan.

No crimes reported in Parish since October 08.

**School** – It was felt drivers doing the school run had little consideration/respect for the village and its residents. Another letter to be sent out from Police Traffic Management via school. PC Wood stated CSO attends regularly and issues Polite Parking Notices, if persistent offender they are reported to PC Wood and she contacts driver. Cllrs to attend Annual Governors Meeting to voice their concerns and Police to attend Parents Evening to raise parking/speeding issues.

Speedgun can be used but no persecutions can be made.

**Neighbourhood Watch** – 2 residents of Bayton were interested in starting a scheme, some one for the Leasowes end of the village needed. Notices to be put up.

All members of the public left the meeting at end of Public Question Time.