

BAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 15th May 2012 at 7pm in Bayton Village Hall

Present – Cllr Miles (Chairman), Cllr Taylor (Vice Chairman), Cllr Clarke, Cllr Carver, Cllr Blount, Cllr Salisbury, Cllr Rochelle, Clerk to Bayton Parish Council, PC Tracey Wood, County Cllr Pollock, 9 members of the Public,

1. **Apologies** – 2 electors, District Cllr Will Redman.
2. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 17th May 2011 were circulated and all agreed for them to be signed by Chairman.
3. **County Councillor Ken Pollock** – Budget cuts still need to be made by County Council. Localism Act will mean responsibility being passed down to Parishes. County Cllrs have Divisional Fund of £10,000.00 to be used for local projects of benefit to the community. Details of both these items on County website. County to purchase Vehicle Activated Signs for Parish use. They alert drivers to slow down to speed designated for that area. Details from County Cllr. Resident offered his land to be used by disadvantaged children. Contact at County Hall given. County Cllr Pollock was thanked for coming.
4. **Police Report – It was emphasized again that this area has a very low crime rate.**
As last year, farm thefts, bogus scrap dealers and thefts from outbuildings still occurring in the area.
Questions raised by Public:-
Speeding motorbikes on B4202 – Clerk to email PC Wood with details.
Horses – reports of horses being interfered with have been received in this area. Horse owners advised to increase security if possible.
Neighbourhood Watch – could this be linked with Shropshire? PC Wood to make enquiries.
Police ask for all suspicious incidents to be reported. Reports of suspicious vehicles in area have helped Police over the last year. PC Wood was thanked and left meeting.
5. **Nineveh Ridge Care Farm** – Pippa Bannister – The farm has had a busy year. County Cllr had helped with funding to finish a new building. The Farm has been given an award for their work with clients who have been involved in Drug and Alcohol Abuse. They are now looking for funding to give further support to clients on recovery. Training is being given for various tasks with view to stable employment. West Midlands Co-op are funding sensory garden area, Church in Stourport helping to fund a greenhouse, Monday Night Club, Stourport giving funding towards a small café to be run by clients. Children's services also give grants. Small wooden toys being made to sell. Chairman offered old tractor for children to climb on for planned Adventure Play Area. Pippa was thanked.
6. **Bayton School Report** – A written report from Head teacher was given at meeting and is in files.
7. **Chairman's Report** – November 2012 Newsletter circulated to all households in Parish. It was commented by 2 electors that the litter situation in Bayton is not improving. Newsletter stated matter had improved. Clerk advised no complaints had been received since last Newsletter. Clerk to ask for advice from MHDC.
8. **Public Question Time:-**
Nineveh Ridge Care Farm - Due to the success of the Farm a request was made for a letter to be sent to the Farm congratulating them on their success. All agreed, Clerk to action.
9. The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and the meeting closed at 7.58pm.

Chairman.....Date 14th May 2013