

# BAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Bayton Parish Council held in Bayton Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017

**Present:** Cllr Blount (Chairman), Cllr Miles  
Cllr Adams, Cllr Taylor

**In Attendance:** Clerk, 2 Members of the Public.

1. **Apologies:** Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Clarke and Cllr Carver.
2. **Declaration of Interest:**
  - a. **Register of Interests** – Cllrs are reminded to keep their registers updated.
  - b. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** – Cllr Adams Planning - item 10 - 17/00092/LBC – Audoll Cottage, Bayton DY14 9LL due to owning the property.
  - c. **Other Disclosable Interests** – Cllr Adams see (b) above.
3. **Dispensations** –
  - a. To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) – **None requested.**
4. **Public Question Time** – See notes at end of minutes.
5. **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were agreed by all and signed by Chairman.
6. **County Cllr Report** – Apologies sent, report circulated noted at end of minutes.  
**District Cllr Report** – Apologies sent, nothing urgent to report.
7. **Progress reports for information:**
  - a. **Defibrillator for Bayton Common** – Now installed. Lights in BT Box to be replaced.
  - b. **Vacancy on Parish Council** – No applications received to date.
  - c. **Community Speed Watch Scheme** – Clerk has registered the Parishes interest, process will be quite slow.
8. **Reports on Meeting attended by Clerk or Councillors:**  
**Bayton Village Hall Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> January** – no Cllrs attended, minutes to be circulated when received.
9. **Finances** –
  - a. **Payments made** – Mr I Mapp (LM December 2016+January 2017) = £390.00, Wel Medical Ltd (see item 13) = £110.76.
10. **Planning:**
  - a. Plans circulated since last meeting – **None.**
  - b. **Decisions received since last meeting-**  
**16/01582/HOU – 1 The Square, Bayton DY14 9LN** – Erection of a timber cart shed style double garage (detached). **Approved by MHDC.**
  - c. **Plans for comment on tonight** –  
**16/01709/FUL– Shrubb Hill Villa, Clows Top DY14 9HR** – Erection of two semi-detached dwellings.  
After much discussion it was agreed by all to object due to overdevelopment of the site, design of building not in keeping, lack of parking spaces, lack of detail regarding siting of bio discs/soakaways and drainage for driveway/turning point. Comments to be made regarding the entry to site from B4202 Cleobury end (as per comments for outline application 15/00968/OUT).  
**16/01525/FUL – Colliers Hill, Bayton DY14 9NZ** – Change of use of part of a field for creation of manage, And tennis court. Cllrs agreed to support this application.  
**Cllr Adams left meeting.**  
**17/00092/LBC – Audoll Cottage, Bayton DY14 9LL** – Part demolition of existing garden wall, erection of Rear facing garden room extension. It was agreed to support this application as it will have minimal impact on neighbouring properties and is a sympathetic extension.  
**Cllr Adams returned to meeting.**
11. **Road report**
  - a. **Lengthsman** – Grips, gullies to be cleared. Drains Mamble road blocked, this is longstanding problem Mamble PC have been reporting, thought to be broken pipe.

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- b. **Problems to report** – Clows Top Road, Bayton – potholes.
- c. **Road Closures in Bayton** – Meadow Farm Road and Beach Hay Road to be closed in preparation for resurfacing. Dates given February/March 2017 for 2 to 3 days for each side. To be done separately.

**12. Correspondence for information –**

Email correspondence circulated - list in minute's folder.

**13. Clerks report on Urgent Decisions since last meeting –**

**Defib machines Bayton/Clows Top** – Pads have been replaced due to expiry date being reached.

**14. Councillors' reports and items for the next agenda.**

**Agenda items** – Vacancy, Mowing Contract Severne Green, Lengthsman Contract, Internal Audit Review.

**15. Date of next meeting: TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017 - 7.30pm**

**16. Meeting Closed 7.45pm.**

Signed----- Date 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
Chairman

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**Residents' concerns** – Potholes Clows Top Road, Bayton. Residents have reported them but they have not yet been repaired. Clerk to follow up.

### SUMMARY OF COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

**1. County Affairs** - Full council will consider the 2017/18 budget on Thursday and seek endorsement for our plans to increase council tax by 0.94%. This will be in addition to the 2% rise in tax to provide money for adult social care. Only a third of the total increase will go to the normal local services, the rest seeks to cover the large demands of our ageing population. In the last week we have been able to confirm ministerial approval for Worcestershire Parkway station in Norton. The plan is to open the station in the winter of next year. A full business case for the new Carrington Bridge and causeway to Powick roundabout has been submitted and we are hopeful of a positive response by the summer. The plan there is to start work in two years' time and have the bridge and dual carriageway open in the spring of 2021.

**2. Eastham Bridge** - Earlier today the steel beams that will form the new bridge were off loaded. The next stage will be to form these into the 33m long beams. Time has been reserved at the end of the month for the complete beams to be swung into position over the river. This operation will require the A443 to be closed from Friday night until Monday morning. The bridge should be open to traffic in late spring.

**3. Tesco's in Tenbury** - A meeting was held with representatives of Tesco's and all three councils involved to discuss the planned opening of the store and the need for planning conditions to be fulfilled before that happens. MHDC has asked the relevant officers at County to specify the highway and pedestrian safety risks that would result in the opening of the store before the Public Realm work is completed. It appears that the case for enforcement of the conditions on the grounds of safety of the public is not as strong as one might suppose, Tesco's may go ahead with their planned opening on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February. I thoroughly deprecate the way in which the company has conducted itself and I consider it to be a gross breach of trust with the people of Tenbury and the surrounding area. In January 2015, I and others received a personal letter from Dave Lewis, the Tesco Chief Executive Officer, in which he states that they cannot give a starting date for the new store but he says, *inter alia*, "be sure we will keep you closely updated on progress". Sadly, that was the last official communication with me and the other interested bodies, but last summer they went ahead and started building the store.

**Tenbury Hospital** - The state of the NHS and social care continues to give cause for concern. The future of the Tenbury Hospital appears to some to be uncertain and the recent temporary closure of the Minor Injuries Unit, did nothing to reassure the public that their hospital was secure. More recently, we have seen reports saying that small hospitals like Tenbury should be closed, in favour of care in the home. While that may be cheaper, and appropriate in some cases, it looked like a way of shifting the cost from the NHS to the local authority. Then this morning, we hear that some A&E departments may be closed, as much of their work can be done in establishments like our own minor injuries unit. Given the confusion and competing interests in the area, it is hard to be optimistic about the whole subject. Let me just say that there are hopeful movements being made in what is called assistive technology, which basically means that the use of clever devices in patient's homes or in nursing homes that monitor the patients without constant personal attention. This can result in more normal lives for those in need and at greatly reduced cost. Given our increased life expectancy, this is one development that holds out some hope of decent care without crippling expense.

**Clr Ken Pollock**