

# BAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting of Bayton Parish Council held in Bayton Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Present:** Cllr Blount (Chairman), Cllr Clarke (Vice Chairman),  
Cllr Carver, Cllr Adams, Cllr Williams

**In Attendance:** Clerk, Three Members of the Public, County Cllr Ken Pollock

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Taylor, apologies received and accepted.
2. **Declaration of Interest:**
  - a. **Register of Interests** – Cllrs are reminded to keep their registers updated.
  - b. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** – None declared.
  - c. **Other Disclosable Interests** – None declared.
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 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2017 were agreed by all and signed by Chairman.
6. **County Cllr Report** – Report at end of minutes.  
**District Cllr Report** – Apologies received. Dist Cllr had asked Clerk to query who had seen the MHDC magazine which was delivered to all houses in MHDC. Of nine people present only two had seen the magazine. Clerk to report back.
7. **Progress reports for information** – None.
  - a. **Lease for Bayton Village Hall** – It was agreed a meeting with Hall Committee would be beneficial when the legal position of PC has been clarified by PC legal advisors.
8. **Reports on Meetings attended by Clerk or Cllrs:**  
Cleobury Crime Reduction Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017 – notes to be circulated, next meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> October.
9. **Finances** –
  - a. **Payments made** – Mr I Mapp (LM August 2017) = £195.00.
  - b. **To report receipts since last meeting** – Western Power Wayleave = £26.56, WCC LM April/May 2017 = £325.00.
  - c. **Bank Reconciliation July/August 2017**(circulated) – Signed by Cllr balance agreed as £17816.79 in cash book.
  - d. **External Auditors Report** – No matters of concern raised, to be published on website.
10. **Planning:**
  - a. Plans circulated since last meeting – **None.**
  - b. **Decisions received since last meeting-**  
**17/00735/FUL - Shrub Hill Villa, Clows Top, DY14 9HR** – Resubmission of application for the erection of two semi-detached dwellings. **Application withdrawn by applicant.**  
**17/00429/HP - 2 Clows Top Road, Bayton DY14 9NB** – Demolition of existing garage and workshop and replacement with two storey garage, workshop and home office. **Approved by MHDC.**
  - c. **Plans for comment on tonight** – **None.**
11. **Road report**
  - a. **Lengthsman** – Grips, gullies to be cleared.
  - b. **Problems to report** – Beach Hay crossroads, visibility restricted by hedges growing over metal fencing, Clerk to report.
  - c. **Clerks Meeting with Highways update - Encroachment on Highway** –
    - **1 The Leasowes, Bayton** – Since last meeting Clerk had been told a car had hit house opposite. The matter had been reported to WCC, they have been out and taken photographs and will consider the matter.  
**Chairman agreed to close meeting at 8.20pm for resident to speak. See notes at end of meeting. Chairman**

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reopened meeting at 8.24pm.

- **Parsonage Barn, Bayton** – Resident has advised WCC he has papers showing ownership of land and will give copy to WCC.

**Blocked Drains –**

- **1 The Leasowes, Bayton - above Oaklands, Bayton - Church Lane, Bayton (including Recreation Ground) –**
- **Nineveh Road** – all to be surveyed as too blocked to jet.
- **Houghtons Pole Bridge** – Website now showing open October 2017, no verbal update could be given.
- **Clows Top Road, Bayton - centre of Bayton** – Patching has been done but road still not good in places.

**12. WI-FI Funding for Village Halls –**

- To agree to apply for a grant on behalf of Bayton Village Hall for installation and rental of line for one year.** Costs for installation and one year rental approximately £500.00 + VAT.  
It was agreed by all for PC to apply for full grant of £500.00 to cover costs for year one.
- To agree to pay line rental for 6 or 12 months after grant funding expires.** Costs approximately £414.00 + VAT. It was agreed by all to consider this matter at end of 12 months line rental. Costs to be fixed in budget.

**13. Meeting Dates 2018** – It was agreed to keep meetings on Tuesdays. Clerk to contact County and Dist Cllrs to see which Tuesday in month they prefer.

**14. Correspondence for information –**

Email correspondence circulated - list in minute's folder.

**CALC Training dates 2017-18 circulated.**

CALC Area Meeting – 19<sup>th</sup> September – 7.30pm - Worcester

MHDC Forum 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 – 6-8.30pm – Malvern

Cleobury Crime Reduction Group – 2<sup>nd</sup> October - 11am – Cleobury

Bayton Village Hall AGM – 24<sup>th</sup> October – 7.30pm

**15. Clerks report on Urgent Decisions since last meeting.**

**Planning - August 2017 – Circulated to all by email –**

**WFDC Local Plan Review Consultation** – It was agreed by all to object to the land at Clows Top being used as a site for Travelling Showpeople, comments in files.

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Emailed to Chairman and response agreed with Chairman –**

Planning query from resident regarding comments made on application 17/01238/HP – Wheatsheaf Cottage, Bayton DY14 9LY – Forming of two patios to existing garden (retrospective). Advice had been obtained from Planning Officer. If any further applications are received for this property Clerk will advise PC to hold a site meeting to ensure Cllrs are aware of all issues.

**Community Speedwatch** – Clerk has met with co ordinator of scheme. Due to criteria, the only places that may be viable are B4202 and A456 Clows Top, next step is speed monitoring. Clerk to continue working on this issue. Rock PC to be advised one of the sites being considered is in their Parish.

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

**Agenda items** – WIFI, Lease for Bayton Village Hall, Road issues. Community Speedwatch.

**17. Date of next Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**18. Meeting Closed 8.55pm.**

Signed-----

Date 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Chairman

**Coronation Corner** - Residents expressed concerns regarding number of cars parked on Coronation Corner which was restricting visibility and access through the village, restricting access to noticeboard, stopping residents from using pavement and blocking access from Severne Green footpath. It was understood the cars belong to residents living in that area. Clerk will send letter to houses as before. It was suggested cars be parked at front of school or in Church carpark subject to residents obtaining necessary permissions from landowners.

Residents are still keen for wall to be extended at Coronation Corner to tidy area up and stabilize bank. PC will be discussing this matter next year, consultation in May 2017 Newsletter resulted in no residents passing any views so the work was put on hold.

**Item 12(d)** - Resident stated he was at incident, the car was going too fast when it met the bus and entered back gateway of 1 Clows Top Road. It hit the wall on reversing out. This was not the account given to Clerk. Bus driver had told house owner the car hit wall due to meeting bus and not being able to stop.

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**Query asked of County Cllr - Velo Bike Ride** – Residents expressed concerns regarding this event disrupting travel and businesses. County Cllr said it was not known if the ride would come into this County in 2018. Comments after the event would be taken into account before a decision was made.

**Houghtons Pole Bridge** – no update to give but County Cllr would look into the matter.

**Parking for Doctors Surgery, Teme Street, Tenbury** – Clerk asked if the work now ongoing would accommodate for parking outside Surgery. No plans for drop/pickup points were planned for outside Dr Surgery, disabled parking planned for other side of street.

### County Councillors Report

**County Council affairs** - WCC concerned about balancing the books for this financial year. Children's Services have been judged inadequate - complicated and detailed remedial system that has been activated will cost many more millions of pounds than has been budgeted.

Despite this the results of our many road shows around the county and the Viewpoint surveys are reasonably encouraging and seem to endorse our priorities, namely vulnerable adult and children and maintaining the roads and pavements in good condition. While we are all rightly critical of poor performance in the latter, it is worth noting that this county has better road conditions than most of its near neighbours.

**Tenbury Public Realm** - The final phase started yesterday, anticipate completion by the end of November. Start around the Regal and proceed along the west side of Teme Street as far as Crow corner. Work on the other side will be carried out later. The teams are aware of the need to make allowance for Applefest in October. All changes to street lighting should have been completed before the start of the footway work. These will take place during the working day on weekdays. When it comes time for the carriageway work, this will take place at night to minimise disruption. I am assured that the raised tables will be re-laid in the specified red tarmac at this time, both in the new table at the pedestrian crossing but also in all the existing raised tables. The necessary Traffic Regulation Orders are in consultation, although the requested three 20 minute spaces outside the newsagents will be covered in a later order. It should be possible to minimise the need for temporary traffic lights.

**Velo Birmingham Bike Race** - I would just like to confirm that the Velo Birmingham cycle event, a "sportive", will take place on the 24<sup>th</sup> September, involving some 15,000 riders. I hope it will be seen as a successful enterprise, particularly for the 1,400 riders from Worcestershire. The changes that were made at the end of June came about because of the inherent problem of enclosing so many homes and businesses within the planned figure of eight in the west of Worcestershire, as well as a reluctance to accept the disruption to Bromyard on behalf of Herefordshire Council. There has been criticism of the organisers, CSM, being a profit making business. WCC has many such relationships, most obviously with Ringway, who maintain the county's roads. It is not the fact that these companies wish to be profitable, as that they fulfil our requirements at a reasonable price. CSM are faced with two mass mailings, to 208,000 each, huge amounts of unique signage, many barriers and cones to be deployed, as well as costly provision of police support. While they may have taken well over £1 million in entry fees, I can believe them when they say they will not make a profit in 2017. It is important to restate that this County Council has a very strong pro-cycling and walking policy, confirmed in the latest local transport plan (LTP4). This is demonstrated by our continued support for the Redditch bike race in May and the Tour of Britain. This started last Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September in Edinburgh and finished on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> September, with a leg that I watched starting in Croft Road, Worcester. Velo is not a race but a mass participation event, called a sportive, to promote general wellbeing and appreciation of the countryside. We are assured that it will also bring economic benefits to the county.

**Road and footway conditions** - I will be very happy to discuss any particular problems with road and footway conditions at the meeting, bearing in mind the importance of our £12m "Driving Home" project and the £6m being devoted to improving footways (pavements).

**Cllr Ken Pollock, Cheltenham, GL50 2BZ**