# Minutes of Bayton Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 14th May 2019 at 7.15pm in Clows Top Victory Hall

Present – Cllr Clarke (Chairman), Cllr Sharp, Cllr Woodison

Clerk to Bayton Parish Council, 1 Member of the Public who attended for British Legion.

- Apologies District Cllr Douglas Godwin, Parish Cllr Richard Adams.
   County Cllr Ken Pollock and CSO Vanessa Snape may be delayed due to other meetings they were attending.
- **2. Minutes** Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 8th May 2018 were circulated and all agreed for them to be signed by Chairman.
- 3. County Clir Report circulated, summary to be added to Minutes of May PC Meeting.
- **4. District Cllr** No report given due to recent election to the post.
- 5. Police Report Report given during PC meeting but is attached to these minutes.
- 6. Bayton School Report Report from Head circulated and is attached to these minutes.
- 7. Bayton Village Hall Report Newsletter from Chairman circulated and is attached to these minutes. Clows Top Victory Hall Report Chairman's Report circulated and is attached to these minutes.
- 8. Chairman's Report Report circulated and is attached to these minutes.

#### 9. Public Question Time: -

British Legion representative stated he was concerned to hear that poppy wreaths are being reused from year to year. He felt this should be stopped as it shows disrespect to the people who gave all for this country. June 6<sup>th</sup> 2019 is 75 years since D-day, he will be presenting the Standards at War Memorials in the Parish.

14. The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and the meeting closed at 8.01 pm.

Chairman Date May 2020

## POLICE REPORT CSO VANESSA SNAPE 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019.

Calls to Police totalled 50, none of these calls was to report crimes so there have been no crimes in Bayton Parish.

We must not become complacent.

#### What Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) have done -

Carried out a number of covert operations in the 'wee hours' in an attempt to disrupt/stop Rural Crime Ongoing

Carried out a number of Property Marking Events - Residential, Business and farming communities. Utilized Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) which is working very well and helps police a lot (thank you everyone)

**Patrols** 

## What can be done

Overtly mark equipment in shed, padlock with an audible padlock alarm, and have sensors inside the sheds which alert the owner to any unwanted presence.

Mark items of value in homes with Smartwater – available online direct sale OR by the Smartwater initiative (65% of the Parish take up Smartwater and receive a bulk discount purchase price) List belongings on immobilise.com

**Use/set up Whats APP groups** – group chats are instant (add SNT)

Call or text SNT on mobiles (if we are not on duty please listen to the message)

## **SNT Offer**

Basic Security advice - homes sheds, cars

Property marking events – on offer throughout the Teme Valley

**Stop that Thief** – Security advice from an accredited professional technician endorsed by the NFU, If anyone wishes to use this service please call one of the team

To reach the Team

Call landline to leave message for the team 01905 725780

Email – mt.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

CSO Ness Snape - 07814 040 307 CSO Teresa Howells-Brown 07814 041 496 PC Chris Lea 07773 050 598

Call 101 to report non urgent incidents

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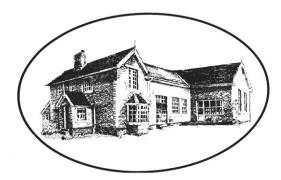
Smartwater initiative – a presentation is available from Mike Simpson (West Mercia Police) for more details.

If you would like more information contact Ness

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# **Bayton Church of England Primary School**

Be the best you can be!



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www.baytonceprimary.co.uk
Headteacher: Ms J
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Friendship Hope Perseverance Compassion Trust Forgiveness Responsibility Respect Truthfulness

Our school vision: We aim for everyone to be a part of our community, be life-long learners who are confident, enthusiastic, valued and reach their full potential.

### **School News**

Since the last report, school has made many improvements to its previous position. This has been noted by the local authority with staff continuing to work hard and out the needs of the children at the heart of all that they do.

As part of our Church school status, we have continued to strengthen the links to the church. We now use the church twice a week to host our whole school worship as well as our Praise worship in which parents are invited to attend.

Our pupil numbers continue to increase. We have taken 16 pupils from various different settings via in school year transfers. Our current 1<sup>st</sup> place placements for EYFS September 2019 show 14 allocations. We are awaiting final figures once parents/carers have accepted/declined offers.

Funding continues to remain an ongoing issue and school currently is running a deficit budget as are most schools across the country. We continue to try to raise additional funds through school fundraisers, the last one raising £1200 but this does not go very far. Our current budget for this financial year is another £20000 less coming into 'the pot' as a starting point which does not help matters. Our PTA continue to work hard in order to raise further funds for the children and continue to fund events such as coaches for the annual pantomime and beach trip.

In June, we are holding our first ever 'career and aspirations day' in which the children have written to people in the community as well as further afield to invite them to attend. Parents/carers have also

volunteered to attend. We are hoping that this event will help children to think about why learning is so important as long term gains. If there are any members of the further community who would like to offer their services to this event, please contact the school ASAP.

Jolanda Simmonds Head Teacher 14th May 2019

## **Bayton Village Hall News Letter/Report Spring 2019**

First, we welcome you to the 5th addition of our newsletter and introduce the committee elected at the AGM in October 2018 or have joined since then and the School and Church Representatives.

Chris Christie – Chairman

Liz Osborn – Vice Chairman

David Ogden – Secretary

Keith Weller – Treasurer

Roger Jones – Deputy Treasurer/Governance

Chris Briggs -

Member Jolanda Simmons – School Representative

Liz Link - Church Representative

Our bookings coordinator can be contacted on the village hall direct line 07904 937356 or baytonvillagehall@gmail.com The committee has remained static over the last 12 months although we do say farewell to Simon Evans and thank him for his efforts over many years. We welcome Liz Link as his replacement as the church representative. Our AGM this year will be held on Tuesday 22nd October, just before the school holidays As previous years I think it useful to set out the objectives that we try to work to and with your help make Bayton a better place to live. Last year we completed the painting of most parts of the village hall and replaced the curtains in the Tony Tague hall. This year with the help from the £10,000 grant we obtained from the Big Lottery we are planning to lay new carpets in the Tony Tague hall and Lobby. We also need to replace the door to the school entrance. Changes in fire regulation also require us to buy an all electric cooker. We are planning to do these improvements over the summer break. We are also looking to improve the technology by possibly buying a new projector/or improving the interface between the old equipment. We would also like to improve our heating controls to make the heating system even more efficient. Over the last few years we will have spent over £18,000 on village hall improvements As I mentioned above our objectives for this year will be:

- Renew the carpets in the Tony Tague Hall and Lobby.
- Replacing the aging school entrance door.
- Improve the heating controls.
- Look to improve Technology and continue to use the WiFi to monitor our energy systems.
- Look to see how we might improve the recreation ground facilities. Perhaps child friendly climbing frames talk with PTA and Parish Council. Reinstate the pathways and refurbish the Willow area.
- Replace/Paint some of the ageing fence work on the Recreation Ground.
- Try and involve school parents and PTA in perhaps a joint project, maybe the Recreation Ground as mentioned above.
- Replace cooker.

Administration – On the administration front I must take the opportunity to thank both Roger Jones and Keith Weller for the time and effort they have put into updating our constitution and fire regulations. Part of our administration update was to revalue the hall has recommended by Community First, we now have a hall valued at £570,000. Unfortunately, this reflects directly on our insurance. Community First continue to be a valued organisation for advice and best practice in organising and running village halls and without their inputs I am sure we would not be where we are today. I am pleased to report the Parish Council approved a grant of £300.00 towards the upkeep of the Recreation Ground last year; we wish to thank those councillors concerned. We were sad to learn that Cllr's Lester Miles and Freddie Kemp had decided not to stand for re-election but we welcome the new Cllr's and look forward to working with them in the future. As I have expressed on many occasions, I feel that has a small community all organisations within the village need to work together to improve the life of the community. Just recently we have entered into joint fund-raising with the Church and we are hoping to extend this to the School/PTA. Basically we

are open to all suggestion that might improve the village hall and recreation ground. This year we will have completed nearly all the major improvements to the hall and next year we would like to concentrate on the Recreation Ground. On average the Recreation Ground is taking £650.00/yr. to maintain to the Doorstep Green agreement. Our gardener works hard to maintain this area and improvements can be seen over the last few years with the introduction of new plants and bulbs. We would ask that all people using this area treat it with respect. We would like your ideas on what improvement you would like to see. We are committed to the principles of transparency, fairness and honesty in all our dealing. All our scheduled meetings are open to the public and all our correspondence is available for public scrutiny. As a committee we would encourage other groups/people to use the village hall facilities. The committee is there to facilitate usage of the hall and not necessarily the organiser of every event It is only with your help can the hall and recreation ground continue to flourish; we do need your support, ideas and manpower.

Future Events – This year we are planning to continue our very successful Picnic/Walk to Shakenhurst in June – date to be confirmed. The popular coffee mornings organised by Daphne Gray will continue the first Tuesday of the month throughout the year. Tai Chi lessons will continue Friday evenings from 16.30 -17.30. Our annual Quiz this year is on the Friday 15th November – save the day. In between we plan Pub evenings during the winter months and another Wine Tasting next February which will be organised by David Ogden. Our popular dance sessions will continue on the third Wednesday of the month through the winter months starting in October. Wi-Fi is now a fixture of the Village Hall and we would encourage people to come along and learn more about computers and the Internet. Just ring 07904 937356 to arrange a session. We are planning a Charity event on the Saturday 25th May; this will take the form of a Table Top cum Jumble Sales, Crafts, Plants and Teas with homemade cakes. Donations of Cakes, Jumble and Tombola prizes would be much appreciated. The proceeds will be donated to the Church for their heating fund and the Village Hall to buy a commercial Dishwasher. You can run your own table or stall (£5.00) by contacting Rosi Bamford on 01299 832619 or Mary Weller on 832816. The event starts at 2.00pm – 4.00 pm. Once again if you feel you can help us come along to one of our open meetings or contact a member of the committee on the village hall email address - baytonvillagehall@gmail.com or our booking/help line on 07904 937356. Finally, a big thank to all our supporters and my personal thanks to the committee for their continuing support.

Christine Christie – Chairman Bayton Village Hall & Recreation Ground Committee 30th April 2019

# Victory Hall Clows Top DY14 9HG Charity number 532118 CHAIRMANS REPORT as written for Hall AGM held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Welcome everyone to Clows Top Victory Hall Annual General Meeting for 2018/19 Firstly I offer my thanks to the rest of your Committee for their efforts again this year. As you may be aware Annette has relinquished her Treasurers post due to moving out of the area, but we fortunately have Chris Gennard as a worthy replacement.

Also! Rachel has informed me that due to work commitments she will have to retire as bookings officer. Linda Thomas has still continued to help me produce the Newsletter in which we try to help local village halls advertise functions.

We always offer the best help we can for all our bookings to make their activity successful. Quish the Booking secretary post at the end of the Summer!! We therefore will need to find a replacement ASAP. At the Maintenance weekend last year we again undertook some re-painting e.g.. store room walls and ceiling etc.., Septic tank and hedge clearance,... but we still have a lot more work to do. We will be planning to run another maintenance weekend this summer with dates and activities to be confirmed and hope that we can encourage more help.

Last year's was not greatly attended, but thanks to all those who helped.

There are always certain major issues to take care of and this year was no different. Leaking flat roof etc.. The hall floor is still showing signs of general wear and this should be a short term project.

There has been some activity on the land down the Worcester road and the front general car parking area

which belongs to local company Matthews Construction. We, the village hall committee and/or eventually the Community will need to decide how the Car Park area can be retained for Community use. We thank Matthews Construction for the continued available use of the front land, this certainly helps our shops, but with the volume of traffic using the car park for our functions plus the substantial numbers for the Shop, Butchers, school buses and general parking, we are continually trying to fill in potholes as and when we can. Matthews Construction have dropped and spread road stone already.

They will go for planning soon and put information up.

Rob Matthews also indicated that they would hire the hall for a day for community to discuss.

The Roof is still in need of work/replacement, so if anyone has or knows anyone with experience in Grants applications or roofing itself we would be grateful for any help.

We were hoping to include re-rendering of the gable end walls. URGENT!

We have again held SHINDIG events for the 2018/19 season.

We had Brilliance in November, Mr Keith, Nordic Fiddlers and to come on 10<sup>th</sup> May The Cardboard Carnival. Get your tickets now.

We are in throws of selecting 2019/20 seasons shows. Yardbird Arts hired the hall and offered great evenings of entertainment. We hope to see them back soon.

We are still looking to create a list of 'Friends of CTVH' who would be prepared to help if called upon, especially on the entertainment nights or other events.

Thanks this year to Linda, Kate, Claire, Judith, Emily, Michelle, Adrian, Linda, Mike, Glen and Nathan plus Rachels daughters on function nights for their help so far.

We thank SHINDIG / Live & Local for their support and efforts to help bring great entertainment to rural Village Halls like ours. We don't make vast sums of money on the door so the bar and raffle are vitally important. The sponsorship of the Arts Council (England), Wyre Forest District Council and Worcestershire County Council to Live and Local allows them to provide highly professional acts at prices we can afford. By May 15<sup>th</sup> we will need to finalise the shows for the 2018/19 season.

Last Christmas' Pantomime of 'Cinderella' was again organised by Caroline Sutcliffe and her team. Well done to the cast and especially Caroline for the effort.

Rene and Caroline have again supported the VH with their now well famous twice a year Jumble Sales. Well supported by regulars. Thanks very much indeed.

The BINGO runs once a month and now raises funds for Clows Top Victory Hall. Kate, Martha and their team work extremely hard to organise. They need more helpers sometimes, so look out for forthcoming dates. Next Bingo is June.

Thanks to the dedication of the individual organisers / leaders of our regular groups of Whist, Gardening, Craft, Karate etc. We do need more. This Village Hall is especially for local people to utilise.

The monthly gardening club offers a great selection of topics to its members and culminates with its popular Flower Show.

Judith's craft club on Monday mornings attracts good numbers of ladies and looks to offer a warm community gathering for crafts plus chat.

We are still looking for other opportunities to expand the range of Village Hall uses. Any reasonable ideas will be considered.

We should say that our corner shop goes from strength to strength with a great array of services. Thanks for supporting our events. Good luck to them.

Thank you again for attending. Roger Dyer (Chairman)

## Report from Chairman of Bayton Parish Council

On behalf of the Council, I would like to thank Mrs Sue Burrows for her dedication and commitment to the Council again this year. Sue has a variety of essential roles in supporting the Council and our community. As Clerk she keeps an eye on all communication to and from the Council, prepares for meetings and writes up minutes, as well as overseeing legal matters. All of which assist the Council to meet their obligations as written in Standing Orders (official guidelines), in order that we may support our community. Sue is also our Responsible Financial Officer, all of this takes a great deal of time and we are very grateful for her hard work.

During the course of the year a few Councillors have stepped down for a variety of reasons. We would

like to thank Jane Williams for all her work during 2017 to November 2018. Freddie Kemp and Lester Miles have not stood for election this year. As many of you will know Freddie has been suffering with health issues and we thank him for his dedication and work whilst he was serving on the Council, we wish him all the best for the future. Lester Miles has been on the Council since 8<sup>th</sup> December 1998 Lester will be greatly missed; he is a fountain of local knowledge and cares deeply about this community. We thank you all for your work and wish you all well for the future.

Our Lengthsman, Mr. Ian Mapp, has once again worked hard for this community over the course of the last year, and at times in unfavourable weather conditions. Thank you, Ian.

Elections: 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019

4 Bayton Parish Councillors stood uncontested.

**Mrs Christine Clarke** 

**Mr Richard Adams** 

Ms Susan Sharp

Mr. Stephen Woodison We would like to welcome Stephen to the Parish Council.

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Remaining vacant seats on Bayton Parish Council: 3

Following 7<sup>th</sup> May these seats may be filled by Co-Option. Please speak initially with the Clerk

## **Malvern Hills District Councillor:**

Mr. Chris Dell did not stand for re-election. We would like to thank Chris for all his support over the last 5 years and wish him well for the future.

Candidates were Mr Douglas Godwin (Conservative) and Mr. John Drage (Liberal Democrat)

We would like to welcome Mr Douglas Godwin as our District Councillor.

#### **Worcestershire County Councillor**

Mr. Ken Pollock. We would like to thank Ken for all his support over the last year.

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**Meetings** – It was agreed to alternate PC meetings between Clows Top Victory Hall and Bayton Village Hall, details on noticeboards and website.

The information below is an over-view of the year. If you wish to receive further information on the above or other matters please write to the Clerk or visit the website

**Coronation Corner Improvements.** At the Annual and subsequent meeting residents

suggested that this be shelved until the car parking issue had been looked into.

**Parking:** This continues to be an issue within the village envelope. Consideration for additional parking has been looked into by the PC but there does not seem to be any solution.

**Planning:** The PC dealt with a variety of Planning Applications/issues throughout the year, as these are a matter of public record they will not be commented on here.

**Library:** The Library, which has been funded by the PC has now moved into St. Bartholomew's Church, Bayton. Please continue to support the library.

**Centenary WW1 – June 2018.** St. Bartholomew's Church, Bayton PC, Bayton Village Hall, Royal British Legion and Bayton Primary School came together to commemorate this event with a church service and shared lunch. This event was well supported; some people expressed a wish for more inter-community events to take place.

**Bins:** New larger bins have been provided at Bayton Church carpark and a small old bin will be sited at top of Yew Tree Lane, Clows Top.

**Roads/Drains:** During the year we have had continuing issues with blocked drains, surface water and emerging potholes. We would like to thank residents for reporting poor road conditions and we ask that residents continue to report maters to the Clerk and on the Hub. The more reports, the quicker the work may be carried out - hopefully!

**Bayton Village Hall:** Bayton Village Hall Committee took the decision to change the Custodian Trustee's from Bayton Parish Council to the Custodian of Charities at the Charities Commission. We wish them well with their plans for the future.

**Reviewing Policies:** General Data Protection Regulations, Public Question Time, Communications Policy, Media Policy and Grievance and Discipline Policies are all being reviewed and brought up to date to meet

Standing Orders and current regulations.

**Speed Awareness:** Cllr Williams worked with David Perridge, (Safer Roads Partnership, West Mercia Police) and Bayton Village Hall to provide the community with a Speed Awareness morning. Though it was poorly attended, it was felt a worthwhile venture and may be repeated in the future.

### Finances in brief:

Precept for 2019-2020 is £8350.00, this is the money residents pay in their Council Tax to MHDC who then pay it back to Bayton PC. The Lengthsman invoices are paid for by WCC.

The Accounts have been audited by an Internal Auditor who is independent of the PC.

A balance of £20922.92 is being carried forward to 1st April 2019.

Reserves need to be held for specific purposes; a list is on website.

The full Accounts for 2018-2019 will be published on the website during June, this is a legal requirement and will include the Auditors report.

### **Grants:**

Bayton Village Hall: 1) £300 for mowing 2) £354.00 Wi-fi costs

Clows Top Amateur Productions £125.00

Bayton PC are responsible for the mowing of Severne Green, Bayton and also support the minibus that goes to Cleobury every Wednesday.

Christine Clarke 14th May 2019