

## **BEDSTONE AND BUCKNELL PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 In Bucknell Memorial Hall at 7.30pm**

#### **PRESENT**

Mr J Kemp (Vice Chairman), Mrs B Sharpe, Mrs F Hughes, Mr P Davies,  
Mr A Faulkner, Miss B Stone.  
One member of the public.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Mr Corns asked who owned the timber on the Causeway. It was believed this belonged to the resident at Leafy Nook and it would be removed soon.

#### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mr I Owen (Chairman), Mr W Davies, Mr C Savery, Shropshire Councillor N Hartin.

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Mr P Davies declared an interest in the SAMDev scheme.

Mr Kemp declared an interest in the Bucknell Show.

The Clerk explained that the system of declaring interests had changed, ie: the “personal” and “prejudicial” interests had been replaced by a simple “pecuniary” interest which enabled any Councillor with knowledge to speak on any subject. If necessary, a representative from SALC could come and speak to the Parish Council about this. After discussion it was decided that the present system was working well, with the option of dispensations if required and that if in doubt it was better to declare an interest.

#### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 6.5.14**

Under “Matters Arising: School garden play area”, wording to begin: “The new spring toy was in place, the base of the old spring toy . . .”

Subject to this correction, the Minutes were approved unanimously and signed by the Vice Chairman as a true and accurate record.

#### **MATTERS ARISING:**

**Bucknell school report.** Not available.

**Condition of phone boxes.** Clerk had contacted other Parish Clerks in the area to establish how many phone boxes needed attention, in the expectation that BT would be more inclined to attend to several in one day.

**School garden play area.** Base of the old spring toy needed to be removed.

Miss Stone queried the positioning of the signs stating the age of children to use the area. After discussion it was agreed that the signs on the gates were satisfactory.

**Depth gauge at Seabridge Meadow.** Mr Kemp to action.

**Parish newsletter.** Mr Kemp declared an interest and explained the costings. Mrs Sharpe said the newsletter was very much appreciated. Miss Stone said that it should be self-funding and if necessary the Parish Council could make up the shortfall. It

was hoped the advertisers' money would support the cost of the newsletter. Mrs Sharpe proposed a donation of £200 for two editions without advertisers, any money in excess to be returned to the Parish Council. Seconded by Mr P Davies and agreed unanimously.

Mr Kemp stressed the need for an Editor/Advertising Manager to help with this.

### **CLUN VALLEY AED/CFR SCHEMES**

No report available.

### **DAFFODIL LANE DEVELOPMENT**

No report available from Steering Group.

### **CHURCH REDEVELOPMENT GROUP**

Letter had been received from Ian Hay-Campbell stating that Stage 2 of the project was about to be launched and asking the Parish Council to consider a donation of £500 towards the cost of repair of the existing main doors. After discussion Miss Stone proposed this donation be made, seconded by Mr P Davies and agreed on a show of hands, 5 in favour, 1 against.

Miss Stone said the waste would be disposed of using the "Trenchard System", which was approved by the Environment Agency and was a self-maintaining system.

### **WEBSITE**

Appeared to be working well.

### **BUCKNELL SHOW**

It was hoped to get sponsorship. Miss Stone said the Parish Council could make up any shortfall. Mr P Davies said money was needed up front. After discussion Miss Stone proposed a donation of up to £500 should this be required, seconded by Mrs Sharpe and approved unanimously.

### **ROADS:**

**Hurst corner, Clun.** The road had now reopened.

**High speed broadband.** The installation of these cables was causing some disruption.

**Street lights in Chestnut Meadow.** Mr Kemp to ask Mr Chambers re: ownership, Clerk to check the files.

**Hedges in Bedstone Road.** This issue had been on the Agenda for several years. Clerk to write a formal letter to Highways, copy to Mr Hartin, stating that despite great efforts nothing was being achieved. This matter could well be a health and safety issue.

**Redlake Meadow road surface at No. 35.** Not done yet. Clerk to chase up.

### **PLANNING**

**Application No. 14/02278/FUL.** Changes to campsite involving provision of utility block, hardstandings, etc. at the Baron at Bucknell. Supported.

There were no decisions to be reported by planning authority.

**SAMDev and Bucknell village.** The Clerk tabled an article by Philip Dunne MP which stated that the Government had made the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) subsidiary to local Core Strategy Plans, once approved by the Local Planning Authority, end of July for Shropshire. Comments should continue to be made on all planning applications.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Spotlight leaflets June 2014. Distributed to those present.  
HOWLTA Newsletter Spring 2014.

### **FINANCE**

**Account balances** not available.

#### **It was agreed unanimously to pay the following:**

Broker Network Ltd (insurance)		£393.63
Ray Davies (grasscutting etc)		£300.00
Mrs N Adams (expenses to date)		£263.63
Mrs N Adams (salary May 14)	)	£198.62
HMRC (PAYE)	)	£35.60
HOWLTA (subscription)		£10.00.

**Financial Regulations.** To be circulated soon for discussion and approval.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Speeding traffic past the woodyard** from the Lingen bridge. It was considered the speed limit should be 30mph all the way. Clerk to write to Highways.

**WWI exhibition in the church** on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July.

**Update/revision of Parish Plan?** Clerk to enquire.

**Renewal of concrete bases of seats.** Clerk to contact Colin Carter.

**Overhead power lines sign** at the Causeway had gone missing. It was thought this was Western Power's responsibility. Mr P Davies to contact them.

#### **DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014 in Bedstone & Hopton Castle Village Hall at 7.30pm.

There would be no meeting in August.

The September meeting will be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at Bucknell.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.

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