

**BADGERS
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PARISH COUNCIL**

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MINUTES of a MEETING of BADGERS MOUNT PARISH COUNCIL
at Badgers Mount Memorial Hall on 2nd November 2017 from 7:30pm

Present: Cllr R Blamey (Chair)
Cllr J Grint
Cllr T McCartney
Cllr P Richards

Also, Present: 3 member of the public

Clerk: Naomi Morgan

1. Apologies received from Cllr G Plumb
2. None
3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 5th October 2017 were signed as an accurate record of the meeting.
4. Finance Notes
Councillors were asked to approve the schedule of payments. Councillors were asked to approve the finance notes for September month-end
Resolved: That the payments and finance notes are approved.
5. County Councillors Report
Nothing to report (not in attendance)
District Councillor Report
Nothing to report
6. Chairman's Report
Cllr R Blamey, noted the council that Shoreham Parish Council have started using the Community Payback scheme, and everyone is very happy with the service they are providing.
7. Clerk's Report
The Clerk reported she is on holiday next week for one week. Cllr Plumb had agreed to prepare the agenda for the next Planning Committee, but she will be available for the meeting.
8. Police Report
Report received from the police via e-mail reporting the following:
7 crime reports on their system, between the dates 1st September to 25th October 2017. The police reported 3 x burglaries on Orpington by-Pass and 1 x theft at Conways site
The PCSO's have been patrolling the area as much as their work load allows.
Cllr Peter Richards queried this report, as he advised that he received further information every month on crimes in the area, and he noted every month there is at least 1 report of either GBH or sexual assault in the area, he also noted that his burglary was not mentioned either.
RESOLVED: That the clerk speaks to the police to query the report and advise of Cllr Richards comments on the serious crime noted on the reports he had received.
- 9) Outstanding actions
Councillors were asked to review the list of outstanding actions, from three months or more (appendix A).
RESOLVED: That the formal response to BMRA regarding the strimming and CPR Training, the Clerk noted that this was now complete. That the TFL response had been received. That the remaining actions are still outstanding.

10. Community Payback Scheme

The Clerk noted that she had spoken with Sevenoaks District Council, regarding this scheme and she had received information regarding the scheme. The clerk noted that the work can include repairing and redecorating community centres and other buildings, clearing public land and projects or work that improve areas to the community. Community payback is given to low and medium risk offenders. Residents that were at the meeting, asked what is considered low to medium risk?

The Clerk also noted that all offenders are supervised during the community payback scheme whilst they are work.

RESOLVED: That further information is sought, regarding what is low and medium risk offenders, and information brought back to another meeting.

11) Jenkins Neck Wood

Councillors were asked to consider the draft letter that Cllr Grint brought with him. As the councillors had not previously seen the letter, Cllr Grint gave a summary of the letter and it was agreed that the councillors should review the letter and bring the final version back for agreement to the next main meeting. Cllr Blamey noted that no figures should be mentioned in the letter. Further discussion was held on Jenkins Neck Wood and Cllr Grint, noted that he is meeting with Mr A Roth, in relation to a different matter, but suggested that he would try to engage what Sevenoaks District Council's reaction to be to the letter, without informing SDC of what is in the letter.

RESOLVED: That councillors review the letter, and a final draft is brought back to the next main meeting.

12) Annual Walkabout

Councillors were asked to discuss setting up of an annual walkabout, to view and report all issues throughout Badgers Mount. Cllr McCartney had produced a current list of issues, which the Clerk advised that she has passed the Highway issues to Julian Cook who advised that he would get the signs cleaned and the vegetation cut back. Cllr Blamey suggested rather than annual that the walkabout is done every 6n months.

RESOLVED: That a walkabout is set up every 6 months. The next walkabout to be completed in April 2018.

13. Purchase of Salt & Slat Bin

Councillors were asked to discuss the purchase of a new salt bin and salt.

RESOLVED: That 2 salt bins are purchase and 1 tonne of salt for the winter. That the bins are placed at the bottom of footpath SR8 and at the start of the footpath at Elite Motors.

14. Entrance gate to land between Wheatsheaf Hill, the railway line and the A21

Councillors were asked to discuss the above and agree a way forward.

RESOLVED: That we contact the London Borough of Bromley enforcement team and ask for further information on this. That we copy in Chelsfield & Pratts Bottom Council.

15. Update on the 431 Bus services

The clerk reported that she had contact Cllr Chard twice regarding obtaining a report on this, unfortunately no report had been received.

RESOLVED: That we contact Cllr Chard for a report for the next meeting.

16. Website

Councillors are asked to review the website. Cllr Richards noted that the pictures on the website, does not represent Badgers Mount. Cllr McCartney noted that the introduction to Badgers Mount needs up dating and more blurb on meet your councillors is required.

RESOLVED: That councillors send in more photos for the website, the introduction to Badgers Mount is updated. That it is reviewed again in 2 months. That a link is added to the site to the badgersmount.net

17. Dates of next meetings (all starting at 7:30pm)

- a) Planning Meeting: Thursday 16th November 2017, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall
- b) Main Meeting: Thursday 7th December 2017, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall
- c) Planning Meeting: Thursday 21st December 2017, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall (if required)

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Meeting closed at 8:15pm

Public Question Time – the timing will be at the discretion of the Chairman.

Q: Mr King asked which e-mail the council is using for BMRA

A: The clerk noted that it was chairman.BMRA@gmail.com

Q. Mr King asked if the council are sending joint letters with Halstead & Knockholt in relation to the Bus service.

A: Cllr Blamey noted that we are working with Halstead & Knockholt already, but we would ask if they wish to send 1 joint letter when sending any communication.

Q: Mr King noted that works at the pylon near Chelmsford Lane had removed fence panels and not replaced them, and now there was fly tipping there.

A: It was agreed that we would report this to Sevenoaks District Council

Q: Cllr McCartney asked the AOB is added to the agendas for the council

A. Ms Morgan,, noted that it is not good practice to have AOB on agenda's and no resolutions could be made on the AOB

Public Questions closed at 8:45pm

Chairman signature _____

Date: 7th December 2017