

**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 4th January 2018 from 7:55pm

Present: Cllr R Blamey (Chair)
Cllr J Grint
Cllr T McCartney
Cllr G Plumb

Also Present: 4 members of the public

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1. No apologies for absence were received.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 December 2017 were not signed as the Clerk's address needs to be changed.
4. Finance

The Finance notes for October month-end need to be revisited and looked at in greater detail once the previous Clerk has been contacted.

The Schedule of Payments was approved.
5. County Councillors Report
Nothing to report (not in attendance).

District Councillors Report
Nothing to report
6. Chairman's Report
Cllr R Blamey, reported that he had received a quarterly vacancy survey. There is one vacancy for this quarter and this has been reported to the Office for National Statistics.
7. Police Report
Nothing reported this month apart from a Speed Watch report which lists the speed statistics for all parishes which have Speed Watch set up. Also a generator was stolen from the Conway site over the Christmas period.
8. Outstanding actions
Councillors were asked to review the list of outstanding actions from three months or more (appendix A)
RESOLVED: That this will be picked up at the next meeting. That all the outstanding items had been sent to Cllr Chard. That the ordering of the 2 salt bins would be completed within the next week. That the remaining actions are still outstanding.
9. Jenkins Neck Wood
The wording of the letter was agreed on 7th December and should have been sent by the Clerk thereafter. However, Sevenoaks District Council have not received the letter and Cllr Grint has therefore sent the wording to the Director of Finance promising that a full version of the letter will be sent within the next week. The BMRA have also requested a copy of the wording prior to the letter being sent out.

10. Vacancy for Councillor
Ten people have asked for an election to be held so the notice of the election must be published by 18th January with any nominations being received by 26th January. If more than one nomination is received and an election is required, then this will be held on 22nd February. If an election is required then the cost of this will be £1600, which must be borne by the Parish Council.
11. Vacancy for Clerk
RESOLVED that this be advertised on the KALC and Badgers Mount Parish Council websites. Cllr Plumb agreed to send Cllr Blamey the advert which was used for the last Clerk's job so this can be reused for this vacancy.

RESOLVED that Cllr R Blamey will act as clerk until a new one is appointed.
12. Defibrillator installation and training
There is a small electrical fault with the equipment which occurs when the heater is on. This has been referred back to the supplier.

The training has been booked from 2.00pm on Saturday 3rd February 2018.

A member of the public praised the parish council for purchasing the kit and for providing the training.

Cllr McCartney agreed to advertise the CPR training on the website.
13. Newsletter

Cllr McCartney suggested the following topics for the newsletter :

Resurrection of Speed Watch (GP), vacancy for clerk (GP), vacancy for councillor (GP), website (TM), update on the care home and any associated problems with construction traffic (RB), ask for comments on bus service, update on Broke Hill (JG), Jenkins Neck Woods (JG to condense letter), new salt bins (TM) Annual Parish Meeting and defibrillator and associated training (TM).

Aim to get a draft together by Thursday 11th.
14. Dates of next meetings (all starting at 7:30pm)
- a) Planning meeting; Thursday 18th January 2018, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall (if required)
 - b) Full Council meeting; Thursday 1st February 2018, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall
 - c) Planning meeting; Thursday 15th February 2018, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall (if required)
 - d) Full Council meeting; Thursday 1st March 2018, Badgers Mount Memorial Hall.

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Meeting closed at 9.18pm

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

Q: Para 7 refers to bus consultation in 2018.

A: Ensure this is added to outstanding actions.

Q: Previous meeting stated that events would appear in various publications.

A: This has been addressed and will come into effect in February.

Q: Congratulated the Chairman for the way in which the meetings are handled.

Q: Need to buy a hard drive to back up the documents on the lap top.

Public Questions closed at 9.25 pm

Chairman signature _____

Date: 1st February 2018