

**BADGERS MOUNT
PARISH
COUNCIL**

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DRAFT MINUTES of a MEETING of BADGERS MOUNT PARISH COUNCIL

at Badgers Mount Memorial Hall on 4th April 2019 from 7.30 pm

Present Cllr J Grint (JG) Chair
Cllr G Plumb (GP)
Cllr T McCartney (TMC)
Cllr A Dunlop (AD)

Others present: Roger King (BMRA)

Clerk Geoff Dessent (in attendance)

Apologies for absence – Cllr Simon Lake was unable to attend.

1. Minutes

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 7 March and Planning and Neighbourhood Plan meetings held on 21st March were agreed and signed and have been placed on the website.

2. Declarations of Interests

There were no interests declared by Councillors.

3. Public Session

New Parish Council elected – all current Parish Councillors now back in post.

4. District and County Councillor Reports

No County Councillor present.

JG reported that the next step on the Sevenoaks Local Plan was for an examiner to be appointed and then the plan to go to examination.

JG agreed to write to Roger King about definitions of Parish boundaries.

5.1 Approval of accounts for payment

These were agreed and the payments were made by the clerk on 5th April (see annex 1).

5.2 Approval of Neighbourhood Plan Coordinator @ 10 hours per week from April at same rate as for Clerk (SCP18 on NALC scale) – same as other clerk’s job

This was agreed.

6 Chairman’s report

JG explained he had nothing further to add beyond what would be covered in other items on the agenda.

7 Environment and Amenities (E and A) Committee

It was agreed to ask whether SDC could still provide the offered free Salt Bin – **Action Clerk**

Next Litter pick suggested as later in the year (probably the Autumn) with perhaps a link up with the Keep Britain Tidy Campaign as listed on the SDC website.

8 Parish Councillors/Parish Clerk reports

A number of reports were made and discussed as follows:

8-1 Planning Applications/Determinations

No new applications. Notification about TPO on Highlands lane – which is action on dangerous trees organised by BMRA to which Parish Council is contributing – work will now go ahead.

8.2 Jenkins Neck Woods

No further update at the present time.

8.3 Newsletter – it was agreed that the next newsletter should be produced by mid-May in time for the Annual Parish meeting. **Action** clerk to send round a pro-forma, for contributions by the end of April highlighting the key headings which were agreed as:

- New Council
- NP report
- Tree management
- Care Home Opening
- Enforcement action on nearby cemetery
- New Gateway Village Sign
- Flower-beds
- Defibrillator

8.4 Bulky Waste Freighter

This will next visit on 13th April – and this has been publicised throughout the parish on notice boards and on the website.

8.5 Broken Village Gateway Sign

The PC’s 50% contribution now made. KCC are progressing. Clerk agreed to chase the implementation date.

8.6 Engaging Local Businesses

No report as Cllr Lake not present

8.7 Neighbourhood Plan update

SDC have agreed that Simon Taylor from the Policy Planning team will act as liaison and will attend Badgers Mount Neighbourhood Plan Steering Groups meeting. As he was not able to attend the next one, on 18th April Councillors asked that the Clerk arrange a meeting with him. **Action** Clerk. (in hand)

9. Items for Future Council meetings

- Further report back about the contacts with local business in May from Cllr Lake
- Next Newsletter
- Detail of annual Parish meeting – to be discussed outside the meeting

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm

10. Next meetings:

- Second Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group 18st April (7.45pm - 8 pm) /following any planning issues.
- Council meeting 16th May
- Annual Parish Meeting 30 May

All meetings to be held at Badgers Mount Memorial Hall.

Geoff Dessent
Clerk of Badgers Mount Parish Council

12th April 2019

Annex 1 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND RECEIPT 4th April 2019

Receipts - None this month.

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Cheque Number if appropriate	Amount (£)	Payee	Description	VAT
000152	390.00	Mr G H Dessent	Clerk's March pay	N/A
000153	97.50	HMRC	Tax due in March	N/A
EP	249.60	SDC	Emptying Dog Waste Bins (Jan – March 2019)	41.60
EP	306.55	KALC	Annual Subscription to KALC/NALC	51.09
000154	4.50	Mr G H Dessent	Clerk's – expenses – ring binders	0.75

Note: A VAT reclaim has been sent into HMRC for £232.26 for the period 1 June 2018 until; 28 February 2019