

Minutes of the Badgers Mount Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 5th of January 2023 in Badgers Mount Memorial Hall at **7.30 pm**

Meeting Started: 19:30 hours

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr Dunlop & Sejuti Roy (Clerk)
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes approved for Meeting held on Dec 1st & Dec 15th, 2022
3. **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS:** Nothing declared by those present
4. **PUBLIC SESSION:** No members of the public present but Councillors mentioned the following
 - 4.1. Some enquiries made of Councillors re the Thames Water works outside of Oak Tree Farm. Councillors presume that these works are repairs to the water main following several leaks in that area in the past.
 - 4.2. SDC Infrastructure Improvement Plan refers to water supply works in Badgers Mount. Cllr Grint indicated that we need further clarification on what this will entail and when. He will make enquiries and report back.
5. **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT:**

It was noted that following the festive period there will shortly be a Christmas Tree collection in Badgers Mount. Cllr Grint also reported that on 11th January 2023 he will represent the Parish Council & residents at the Chevening Bund appeal speaking about the adverse impact of the proposals on Badgers Mount. He will focus on the number of lorries that would need to travel through Badgers Mount daily for several years. The appeal will be held at the SDC offices. No report from County Councillor
6. **FINANCE AND STAFFING**
 - 6.1. Approve Accounts for Payments: No accounts available for payments to be considered
 - 6.2. Approval for end December Bank Reconciliations: Bank Reconciliation signed off
 - 6.3. Personnel Committee: The Personnel committee gave a reminder that the annual review for the Parish Clerk is due in February 2023
7. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Nothing further to report that hasn't already been highlighted in the District Councillor report.
8. **CLERKS REPORTS**
 - 8.1. SDC Plan 2040 Reg 18 Consultation: – The Councillors would like to record the hard work undertaken by the Parish Clerk in taking on board all comments received and collating them into a formal response. All comments received have been reflected in our response. It was mentioned that Cllr Dunlop had made a few further comments via email on 30/12/22 and the Councillors would like to draw the Clerk's attention to these.
 - 8.2. Green Energy adoption by City of London as a blueprint for Local Authorities: – Item postponed until next meeting.
9. **AMENITIES/PROJECTS**
 - 9.1.1. Unadopted Roads: No updates available. Held over to next full meeting for further discussion.
 - 9.1.2. Salt Bins – Cllr Plumb reported that the Salt Bins need replenishing. It was agreed that Councillor Plumb would purchase one pallet of salt as soon as possible. It was agreed that Cllr Lake will speak with FM Conway Limited to see if it is possible for the Parish Council to store a future pallet of salt within their depot on Shacklands Road.
 - 9.2. Flooding & community preparation – item held over until next full meeting as Councillors were uncertain on the reasons that this had been added to the agenda. In discussion Councillors considered whether the Parish Council should consider creating an emergency plan which could include the following (not an exhaustive list by any means):

Electricity – what would we do if there were periods of blackouts in the community – generator, use of hall, prioritising vulnerable residents etc. Councillors should take account of the Government Guidance on the Electricity Supply Emergency Code (ESEC) when considering this matter.

Snow & Ice

Flooding

10. PLANNING

10.1. Planning Applications: No Planning Application received for discussion

Meeting ended: 21:40 hours