

Minutes of the Badgers Mount Parish Council are summoned to a Council Meeting to be held on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 2023** in Badgers Mount Memorial Hall at **7.30 pm**

**Meeting started: 19:30 hours**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Grint apologised for the delay as it clashed with a District Council Meeting
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Resolve to approve the minutes of the of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Both Minutes approved
3. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS: To receive any disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interests, and whether the member regards the interest to be prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct. No declaration.
4. PUBLIC SESSION: Including items emailed to the Clerk in advance of the meeting (up to 15 minutes). We are Beams, a Charity helping Children & families with disabilities have applied for a Grant. Proposed by Cllr Dunlop & seconded by Cllr Lake to pay the Charity a donation of £300 as they help 3 families within the Community.
5. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – No reports
6. FINANCE AND STAFFING
  - 6.1. Approve Accounts for Payments - approved
  - 6.2. Approval for end of October Bank Reconciliations- approved
  - 6.3. Notification of CIL Payments from SDC
  - 6.4. Fixing date for Budget meeting for 2024-25 – Finance Committee to meet shortly to decide on budgets & precept for 2024-25 & present before the Full Council
7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
  - 7.1. PLAN 2040 – new Local Plan for Sevenoaks District Regulation 18 Part 2 – Autumn 2023. To be discussed in the Planning meeting on Nov 16th
8. CLERKS REPORTS
  - 8.1. ATC surveys on A224 Orpington Bypass & Old London Road – first level results are available. Discuss next steps. 1st level of figures show compliance. It was decided to set a meeting with Kent Highways to take the discussions further.
  - 8.2. Planning enforcement update on new opening on OLR to Bluebell Cemetery. SDC have visited the site & have found some discrepancies. They have asked the Company to provide explanations. The Council have expressed concerns over further development and would keep an eye on it.
  - 8.3. Responses from loan of Thermal Imaging Camera from SDC – Some residents found it useful. PC has been put back into the queue to borrow the camera again
  - 8.4. Community Newsletters/Parishes Together Magazine – Information has been collated & further updates provided. Clerk to design the newsletter & send it for printing.
  - 8.5. Appeal: Dismissed - Parish: Halstead - Site at: Land North of Hunters Retreat, Old London Road, Badgers Mount. Parish Council to keep an eye on further developments
  - 8.6. Poppy appeal & Decisions on Christmas Decorations: Poppies will be put up by Paul Collier. Cllr McCartney will go to Costco to find out options & prices for Christmas decorations.
9. AMENITIES/PROJECTS
  - 9.1. Bus service proposal from Sevenoaks to PRUH to go via Polhill, Badgers Mount & Knockholt Station-update. Limited service has started. Bus timings for our area to be sourced.
  - 9.2. Footpath & area to the left of Nesbit House behind the bench. Request to be made to Nesbit House to clear the area & take it forward.
  - 9.3. Adopt a Planter-update. Has been declared a success
10. PLANNING

No new planning applications

**Meeting ended : 9:00 pm**