Bitterley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Bitterley Village Hall On Wednesday 13th September 2017

PRESENT Chairman: Mr RJ Osborne

Members: : Mrs AM Holman (Vice Chairman), Mr HWJ Watkins, Mr. C. Chillingworth, Mr D Rogers, Mr

J. Gatehouse, Mr T. Millard, Mr P. Martin, Mr. C. Mccamley and Also present: Mrs S Jones (Clerk)

1) To receive apologies and reasons for absence: Mrs. K. Wheeler and Mr R. Watkins

2) Declarations of Interest: None

3) Public Participation: None

4) To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 12th July, 2017 the minutes where <u>APPROVED</u> and it was <u>RESOLVED</u> that the minutes be signed and <u>ADOPTED</u> as a true record. Proposed by Mr DW Rogers and seconded by Mr HWJ Watkins. Minutes signed by the Chairman.

5) Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July, 2017

- a) Hedge Cutting: As the Parish Council have no powers to make landowners cut hedges it was suggested that in the first instance, the landowner is contracted directly by the person affected, then if no action is taken the matter should be passed on to Shropshire Council to handle.
- **b**) Highways Maintenance Grant: A priory list has been complied but please let the clerk know if Councillors have any further ideas.

6) Roads

- a) The road outside Hall Farm, Snitton appears to be breaking up, can anything be done to rectify it.
- b) A fence had been erected on the road side to South Farm, Snitton. It is proving difficult for large farm machinery to now travel along that road. Highways have been informed and are investigating.

7) Planning Applications

- i) Planning application 17/04442/TEL. Installation of a 18M broadband Mast at Angel Bank Farm, Bitterley.
- **ii**) Planning application 17/04127/FUL. 3 Farden Lane, Erection of extension to existing outbuilding to provide accommodation (ancillary to main building)

Site visit to be arranged to look at both the applications before making any comments.

8) Financial Matters:

a) Financial Balance: £25,607.56 after following payments made.

b) To approve the following payments:

a) Chq No. 000585 S Jones £414.58 b) Chq No. 000586 S Jones (HMRC) £82.92

- c) The £10,000 community benefit has now been received this will remain in reserves until the Parish Plan has been collated and the priorities of the parish identified.
- d) The new bank mandate has now been signed updating the signatories as agreed.

9) Community Tree Scheme

If anyone has any ideas on where would benefit from some trees to let David Rogers know so that he can apply for them.

10) UConnect Rural Broadband

It was agreed for members to read the consultation and to send responses if they wish.

11) Correspondence

a) Shropshire Hill AONB Partnership

12) Reports

- a) Speeding:
 - 1) The notices have been put up in Middleton to advertise the proposed speed limits.
 - 2) Mr Jarrier from Highways England has responded to say that he is going to ask his team to look at the signage at the Rocks Green roundabout which the Council believe is inadequate and confusing and frequently ignored.
- **b) Village Hall Report:** The grant has been received for the new windows and there is going to be some redecoration work done now too.
- c) **LJC:** The next meeting is the 14th Septembers at Eilm Church, Ludlow at 7.00 p.m. It was agreed that at a future date an item on the agenda would be about the Housing definition "Open Countryside" and what is allowed in different definitions.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th November 2017 at 7.30pm.

The dates of further meetings:

10th January

14th March

Note: All meetings will be at 7.30pm