

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT  
BERRINGTON VILLAGE HALL, BERRINGTON  
ON THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2009**

<b>Present</b>	Ms Claire Wild (CW)	Chairperson
	Mr Huw Roberts (HR)	Vice Chair
	Mr John Peters (JP)	
	Mr Richard Ward (RW)	
	Mr Richard Purslow (RP)	
	Mr Andrew Powis (AP)	
	Mrs Fiona Hibberd (FH)	Parish Clerk

**Members of the Public:** None

**Police Representatives:** CSO Lyn Birch

**The Parish Council Meeting started at 7.32pm with CW taking the chair.**

**Police Report**

CSO Lyn Birch reported that the lights on the fuel price display at the petrol station were still causing concern and asked that the Parish send a letter to the owners requesting they be turned down.

Cso Birch said that there had been complaints of dogs being off the lead and out of control in the Brompton field but this was being dealt with. She also said that there was litter around the bus shelter, including broken glass and bottles by the Community Centre, and the police are going to organise a litter pick up by the youths. Residents had said they felt intimidated by groups of youths in the area.

**ACTION:** Parish Clerk to write to the Petrol Station regarding the lights.

**1. APOLOGIES:**

Apologies were received from Sue Mason.

**2. REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

None.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. MINUTES:**

The minutes for the meeting held on Tuesday 27th January 2009 were read. They were approved and signed by CW.

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

There were no matters.

## **6. CORRESPONDENCE & MATTERS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL:**

**a)** The dog waste bin/litter bin was due to be delivered on Friday 20th February and the Parish Clerk informed the meeting that she would contact A. F. Smith about installing the bin.

**ACTION:** Parish Clerk to contact A. F. Smith.

**b)** There had been no response to the vacancy for Parish Councillor. CW suggested a notice be put in the Village Pump advertising the post.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to contact Trevor Mytton

**c)** Cameron Moffett had expressed her thanks for the tree being cut back near the bench at Brompton and suggested in an email that some basic steps could be installed by the National Trust to make access easier for the elderly.

**ACTION:** Parish Clerk to contact Bob Thurston to request steps.

**d)** Cameron Moffett had emailed her concerns over deep standing water in ditches at Brompton and the fact that water is pouring down onto the roads, especially the area within Brompton. CW suggested contacting Phil Edwards in relation to the problem and also reminding him of the problem at Pool Cottage and another pool of water on the road from Berrington to Eaton Mascott, probably the result of a blocked gully.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to contact Phil Edwards

**e)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that she had received an invitation to the Civic Service at St Chad's on the 23rd March.

**ACTION:** None of the councillors were able to attend.

**f)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that she had received an invitation to attend a Council Forum on planning.

**ACTION:** None of the councillors were able to attend

**g)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that the form for the annual inspection of the playing field had been received. It was agreed that it would be only the Play Area Annual Inspection, as in the previous year.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk agreed to complete the form for the inspection in June.

**h)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that a quote for £1585 plus VAT had been received from Shropshire Homes regarding the proposed bus shelter. HW had received a higher quote and RW, a qualified civil engineer, told the meeting that the quote from Shropshire Homes was a fair cost for the work involved. It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would write to Shropshire Homes accepting the quote and advising them that work could take place when Huw Roberts had marked out the area and received a grant.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to write to Shropshire Homes.

i) The Parish Clerk informed the meeting of an email from Trevor Mytton with the idea of a community panto. It was agreed that Chris Eldon Lee should be contacted to ask if he would be interested in the project.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to email Chris Eldon Lee.

## **7. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

i) The Parish Clerk presented the Bank reconciliation to date to the council. CW signed the Bank reconciliation form and the Council accepted it unanimously.

**ACTION:** No further action required.

ii) Accounts for payment:

a) Mrs F. Hibberd – Clerk’s Salary & Expenses for February 2009. The Parish Clerk advised that she had received an invoice for the above totalling £201.62

**ACTION:** To issue a cheque no. 000665 for £201.62 signed by CW & RW

b) Trevor Mytton – Village Pump Production. The Parish Clerk advised that she had received an invoice for the above totalling £35.67

**ACTION:** To issue a cheque no. 000666 for £35.67 signed by CW & RW

## **8. PLANNING MATTERS:**

The Parish Council was shown plans that had been received regarding the proposed development at 43 Lower Cross.

**ACTION:** CW to show plans to neighbours in Lower Cross.

## **9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

i) There was discussion about having a ‘Slow 40’ sign at Cross Houses which has been given in other areas on a rotation basis.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to email Glyn Shaw requesting a sign.

ii) The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that she had received a letter from the Conservative Party about a public meeting on the 7th March to discuss the Waste Incinerator.

**ACTION:** CW to attend.

iii) The Parish Clerk had received a request to complete a questionnaire on Rural matters from a student studying Architecture.

**ACTION:** RW agreed to complete the questionnaire.

iv) A letter had been received from Shropshire Council about Rights of Way in Berrington.

**ACTION:** CW agreed to read the information.

v) The Parish Clerk had received a newsletter from the Society of Local Council Clerks regarding Councillors Indemnity. It was agreed to check the insurance policy on this issue.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to check the insurance details.

vi) The meeting was informed that The Stores receive copies of the Village Pump two weeks after the main delivery.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to contact Trevor Mytton about delivery.

#### **10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on Thursday 19th March 2009 in Berrington Village Hall at 7.30pm.

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.**

**I confirm that these are a correct record of the meeting.**

<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Print Name</b>	
<b>Position</b>	
<b>Date</b>	