

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT
BERRINGTON VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2011**

Present :

Ms Claire Wild (CW)	Chairman
Mr Huw Roberts (HR)	Vice Chairman
Mr Richard Purslow (RP)	
Mrs Liz Rowlands (LR)	
Mr Richard Ward (RW)	
Mrs Sue Mason (SM)	
Mr William Jones (WJ)	
Mr Kim Hackett (KH)	Parish Clerk

Police Representatives:	None
Community Regeneration Officer:	None
Members of the public	Two

The Parish Council Meeting started at 7.45pm with CW taking the chair

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr Andrew Powis, Mr Jerry Greene, Rachel Johnson and Ray Foster and police team. Apologies were accepted for the reasons given.

2. REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Two members of the public were made welcome by CW.

A question was asked about a past planning application for photo voltaic cells on a residential property. CW explained the planning process and how the Parish Council are involved as a consultee of Shropshire Council.

A question was asked about future development in the parish. CW explained that the parish is in planning terms open countryside and any new development would be small scale and affordable schemes.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15th JUNE 2011

The minutes for the meeting held on 20th JULY 2011 were detailed. They were approved and signed by CW.

5. CORRESPONDENCE AND MATTERS FOR THE COUNCIL:-

a) Conclusion of External Audit and Annual Return

The clerk explained that the external audit had been completed by Mazars LLP and there were no issues raised.

b) Persimmon Letters (2)

CW made councillors aware that the PC had received two letters from Persimmon PLC and the process of transferring the Community Centre and the Allotment site to the PC was nearing completion.

c) Website Update

The clerk explained that the PC had received an invoice for the administration of the PC's website and upon payment, the website will be live shortly afterwards.

d) Cross Houses Playing Fields Annual Inspection and Recommendations
CW explained that the PC had received a report from Playsafety Ltd detailing works required at the site. Two benches were nearing the end of their life and the PC should consider replacing both of them with metal benches. Further work is required at the site that will need to be completed ASAP. Funding may be available from the LJC.

Action: SM to approach Mr N Smith to quote for remedial works.

e) The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons

The PC were made aware of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons planned for next year.

f) Parish Council Insurance (Renewal 21st October 2011)

The clerk made councillors aware of the Insurance renewal premium due 21st October. Councillors agreed that the clerk should seek an alternative quote from Came and Co.

g) Dropped Kerb Tudor Close

Councillors were made aware of a resident who had fallen over in Tudor Close and the need for dropped kerbs. After discussing this issue, being made aware of the dropped kerbs already installed and the cost of providing additional dropped kerbs (approximately £2000 each) it was agreed that no action should be taken.

h) Much Wenlock Forester Charitable Trust

CW made councillors aware of funding that was available to local people. After discussing this it was agreed by all that this funding could be used to keep beds open at The Lady Forester Community Nursing Home.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS:-

i) Bank Reconciliation for Month End

The Parish Clerk presented the bank reconciliation for the month of July and August to the council. CW checked the bank statements, signed the bank reconciliation forms, and the Council accepted them unanimously.

ii) Accounts for payment:-

- a) Mazars Professional Services on behalf of Audit Commission £162.00 cheque no 00787
- b) Clerks salary and expenses – £1216.85 cheque no 00788
- c) Playsafety Ltd Brompton Playing Fields Annual Inspection £75.60 cheque no 00789
- d) Website Administration – Quantum Hosting and Support £115.00 cheque no 00790
- e) Village Pump Production – Trevor Mytton £38.74 cheque no 00791
- f) Cross Houses Playing Fields National Trust £95.00 cheque no 00792

All cheques signed and referenced to invoices

7. PLANNING MATTERS:-

11/02159/LBC Berrington Hall, Berrington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6HA
External alterations in connection with installation of 18 solar photo voltaic panels onto south facing roof slope affecting a Grade II Listed Building

Decision: Refused

Councillors were made aware

11/02439/FUL 78 Cross Houses Shrewsbury SY5 6JJ
Provision of a Dropped Kerb
Decision: Grant Permission
Councillors were made aware

8. POLICE REPORT

None

9. COMMUNITY

None

10. COMMUNICATION RECIEVED

The following documentation was made available at the meeting

- a) DIS Extra various editions
- b) Letter from RHS – Britain in Bloom
- c) Request for funding – No Panic
- d) Komplan Playgrounds brochure
- e) Shropshire Events
- f) Sports for England - Funding available
- g) SIP Newsletter
- h) Public Service News
- i) Rampmental Ltd - Playground equipment brochure
- j) Barkstone Ltd – Outdoor furniture
- k) Delivering Local Priorities through Partnership Working
- l) CBP-Play Outdoor Gym Equipment Brochure
- m) Historic Towns Forum Newsletter
- n) Clerks and Councils Direct – Magazine
- o) The Parking Shop – Brochure
- p) Barkston Plastics – Brochure

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

1) Parish and Town Councils Solar PV Inclusion Questions

Councillors were made aware of a SC initiated scheme. SC are asking for expressions of interest, without any commitment to the scheme. Councillors discussed the merit of the scheme for Cross Houses Community Centre.

Action: Clerk to contact SC and confirm PC's interest in the scheme with HR and Clerk as contacts.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

LR confirmed that she will clear Cantlop Bridge of weeds.

LR made councillors aware that paintwork on the new Cantlop Bridge was in a poor condition. CW explained that the Community Payback team could get involved.

Action: CW to contact Rachel Johnson.

RP explained that street furniture (a road bollard) in Cross Houses had been displaced. RP agreed to re-fix the bollard.

RP updated councillors on the floor at Berrington Village Hall. The floor has yet to be sealed.

HR reported that two street lights in Cross Houses were out of order.

Action: Clerk to report lights to SC.

DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 19th October at Berrington Village Hall at 7.45pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm.

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

Signature	
Print Name	
Position	
Date	