

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT  
THE CHAPEL COMMUNITY CENTRE, CROSS HOUSES  
ON TUESDAY 27TH JANUARY 2009**

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

**Police Representatives:** None

**Members of the Public:** Cameron Moffett (CM)  
Hannah Costigan

**The Parish Council Meeting started at 7.35pm with CW taking the chair.**

**1. APOLOGIES:**

No apologies were received.

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

Hannah Costigan was present as a journalist from the Shrewsbury Chronicle.

Cameron Moffett was present at the meeting to repay the loan from the Cross Houses Allotments Holders Group. An email had been received by the Parish Clerk from Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council regarding setting up an allotment site and society. CM agreed to respond.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to forward email to CM.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. MINUTES:**

The minutes for the meeting held on Wednesday 17th December 2008 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)** It was agreed that A. F. Smith would be contacted for a cost for installing the dog waste/litter bins at the playing fields. The bins will be delivered on the 10th February 2009.

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

**b)** The meeting was informed that an email had been received from Chris Edwards concerning an email from Glyn Shaw on the subject of speeding. The email stated that results of a speed survey would be available by early January 2009 and the council would be contacted again following the outcome.

**ACTION:** None

**c)** There had been an expression of interest by a resident of the parish for the post of councillor and it was hoped that she would be able to attend the meeting next month.

**ACTION:** Parish Clerk to inform her of the date and venue of the next meeting.

**d)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that she had received a request for the Precept requirement for 2009/10. The council agreed that the amount should remain the same as for 2008/09, being £8455.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to return the completed Precept form to Shropshire Council.

**e)** John Peters gave a demonstration of the website for Berrington Parish Council that he is developing. Features will include: latest news, photos of council members, the Agenda for forthcoming meetings, Minutes of previous meetings, the Village Pump, Parish map, Bus timetables, Church information and booking facilities for the hall.

**ACTION:** CW to write text for home page. The Parish Clerk to contact Shropshire Council for Parish Map; email Trevor Mytton the website and ask for the Village Pump in PDF format; request bus service info and email JP with approved Minutes.

**f)** Cameron Moffett informed the meeting of her concern over farm gates blocking access for local people to a bench installed by the National Trust. RP said that the gates were put in place to prevent fly tipping but space had been left at the side for access. Bob Thurston, of the National Trust, needed to be contacted to ensure access.

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

**g)** The meeting was informed that the form for new signatories at Lloyds had been completed by RP and JP.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk agreed to take this to Lloyds.

**h)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that a letter had been received from Berrys regarding the proposed development at Eaton Mascott. CW asked that the council write to Berrys requesting passing places prior to the start of construction and that no deliveries are made between the hours of 8-9am and 4.30-5.30pm. It was also understood that the main drive is part of the Eaton Mascott Estate, as are the farm buildings, so construction traffic should be able to use this route.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to write to Berrys.

**i)** The Parish Clerk informed the meeting of an email from Phil Edwards about the ongoing investigation of drainage in Cross Houses. He hoped to have results in the new year.

**ACTION:** No action.

**j)** A letter had been received from Severn Hospice requesting a grant and an invitation to councillors to have a tour of the hospice. The council are unable to make grants and no councillors were able to go on the tour.

**ACTION:** None

## **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 January 2009. The Parish Clerk advised that she had received an invoice for the above totalling £204.03

**ACTION:** To issue a cheque no. 000661 for £204.03 signed by CW & SM

**b)** E-ON Streetlight repair. The Parish Clerk advised that she had received an invoice for the above totalling £53.66

**ACTION:** To issue a cheque no. 000662 for £53.66 signed by CW & SM

**c)** Meole Brace School – Village Pump Printing. The Parish Clerk advised that she had received an invoice for the above totalling £806.41

**ACTION:** To issue a cheque no. 000663 for £806.41 signed by CW & SM

**d)** NPower- streetlight energy 1/10/08 – 31/12/08. The Parish Clerk advised that she had received an invoice for the above totalling £178.37

**ACTION:** To issue a cheque no. 000664 for £178.37 signed by CW & SM

## **8. PLANNING MATTERS:**

None

## 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

i) CW informed the meeting that she had received an email from Matthew Spittles at Severnside Housing informing her of the repair to the damaged fence.

**ACTION:** None

ii) The Parish Clerk requested agreement for registering on a Back to Basics course for Clerks in February, presented by SALC. The Council agreed to the cost of £60.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to register on the course.

iii) The Parish Clerk had received an invite to nominate a councillor to attend a Buckingham Palace Garden party in July 2009. JP completed the application.

**ACTION:** Parish Clerk to return the form to SALC.

iv) A letter had been received from SABC regarding new arrangements necessary for play area inspections. RoSPA will now handle these and an inspection is planned in June 2009 in the Shrophshire area.

**ACTION:** The Parish Clerk to arrange an inspection

v) It was reported by HR that there had been some damage to the bus shelter but the matter was in hand.

**ACTION:**None

vi) The meeting was informed that fence panels had been removed by the bungalow at the site of the former Fox Pub in order to make deliveries easier. It was agreed that the deliveries should be via the main road.

**ACTION:** CW to speak to the owners

## 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday 19th February 2009 at 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>	