

ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held on Wednesday 26th October 2011 at 7.00 pm
At The Village Hall, Abbots Bromley, pursuant to notice having been given

Present: Cllrs R S VJarman (Chair); R Bell, Mrs D Burrows; C Cook, Mrs K Johns; R Mills, Mrs M Moore, E Roy

In attendance: Mrs S Meads (Clerk),

Members of the Public Attending: 3

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69. Apologies for absence

Were received from Cllr P Charles and Borough Cllr G Hall

RESOLVED: to accept the apologies

70. Public session

A resident said that they had come to the meeting to hear about plans for yellow lines by Church Lane. As a resident they felt that the lines would be extremely beneficial as parked cars make the junction dangerous to exit.

Meeting resumed at 7.06pm

71. Minutes of Previous Meetings

RESOLVED: that the minutes of meeting held on 28th September and 12th October should be signed as a true and correct record with the following amendment to 28th September minutes:-

Page 7 change 'reads' to read'

72. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

73. Matters of Report

i. Alfred Lyons Close

The clerk reported that a complaint that had been received from a resident in Alfred Lyons Close as his child had had an accident while trying to avoid a rubbish bin that had been left on the pavement. The resident also reported that his child had injured herself on a broken bollard after slipping on some weeds. The clerk reported that all issues that had been reported had now been dealt with by Highways and that the village warden had also contacted local residents to ask them to keep their bins on their own property. The resident had been advised that if he wanted to take the matter further he would need to speak directly to the Highways department or to the residents regarding the bins.

ii. Parish Council Printer

The clerk tabled a report on printers that were available and costs. Quotations had been received from Reprotect for a Kyocera FS-3040MFP at a cost of £845 plus VAT. Reprotec also offered an after sales service at a cost of 0.7p per copy. The contract could be taken out over 3 or 5 years. Although a cheaper quotation of £677 was available from a Printerstore this came with no after sales service and only 1 year's warranty. A further price of £890 was provided by Printerland for the same printer, again with a 1 year warranty.

RESOLVED: that the clerk should go ahead and purchase the printer from Reprotec at a cost of £845.00. The clerk should also purchase a five year service contract (with an op-out if possible). Proposed by Cllr Mrs K Johns, seconded by Cllr R Bell.

Meeting suspended at 7.26pm

A resident, Mr S Wilson, joined the meeting. He commented on the proposed yellow lines at Church Lane and wondered if any alternative parking had been considered for those that normally park in this area.

Meeting resumed at 7.33pm

74. Planning

Applications

747 - P/2011/01060/JI: Chesterton House, Bagot Street, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DB: Replacement of 5 front elevation windows
Received: 13/10/11 Due: 03/11/11 Response : No Objections

748 - P/2011/01115/EW: The Crown Inn, Market Place, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3BS: Retention of path lighting to car park
Received: 12/10/11 Due: 02/11/11 Response : No Objections

749 - P/2011/01236/EW: 2 Hillside, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DP:

Erection of a first floor rear extension

Received: 24/10/11 Due: 14/11/11 Response : No Objections

Decisions

Agreed

740 - P/2011/00725/EW: Radmore Fields Farm, Radmorewood Lane, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3AS: Erection of an agricultural building for the housing of livestock with associated part demolition of the existing lean to barn.**741 – P/2011/00805/JI: Mount Pleasant Farm, Poplar Farm Road, Bromley Hurst, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3AY:** Internal and external alterations to facilitate the conversion of two agricultural buildings to form two dwellings including raising of the ridge height of one building to provide first floor and erection of a single storey extension to the second building, demolition of two existing agricultural buildings to facilitate the erection of a detached dwelling and detached triple garage and formation of a new vehicular access.**742 - P/2011/00859/EW: Hall Hill, Hall Hill Lane, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DG:** Replacement of 3 west gable windows and installation of rooflight to rear of main roofslope.

Withdrawn

744 - P/2011/00888/JI: St Stephen Hill Farm, Steenwood Lane, Admaston, Staffordshire, WS15 3NQ: Siting of 28 holiday lodges (static caravans) and change of use of agricultural land to facilitate the siting of the lodges, including associated engineering operations, for a holiday season of 11 months.

Appeal

P/2011/00198/EW: Radmore Fields Farm, Radmore Wood Lane, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3AS: Outline application for the erection of a detached dwelling including details of access, layout and scale.**75. Financial Matters****i. Payments to be made****A Record of payments made after discussion with Chairman or Vice Chairman**

40/1250	Mrs S Meads	23.60	Non taxable expenses, August & September	LGA 1972 s. 112(2)
41/1251	G McCulloch	390.00	Mowing	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10

**TOTAL payments
made 413.60**

- ii.
- iii.

B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting

<i>Vch/Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Powers</i>
42/1252	G McCulloch	100.00	Weed Spraying on pavements, devolved maintenance	Highways Act 1980, sections 43,50

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<i>Vch/Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Powers</i>
43/1253	GBS – Public Works Loans	1661.25	Village Hall Loan	
44/1254	Dan Meads	80.00	Repairs to MG	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.9 and 10
45/1255	Sarah Meads	386.08	Salary & taxable expenses	LGA 1972 s. 112(2)
46/1257	HMRC	289.60	Income tax	
47/1258	Mrs S Meads	25.96	Non taxable expenses	
		<u>2542.89</u>		

iii. Finance Report to 31st August 2011

The clerk presented the finance report to 30th September 2011.

iv. 2012-2013 Budget

The clerk requested the feedback forms for items to be included in the next year's budget. These items included:-

Fund for purchase of field behind the Village Hall
Creation of new walks map
Works to the bus stop by the Top Shop

76. Group Reports**i. Recreation
Youth Club**

Cllr Mrs Johns reported that the youth club regularly has up to 45 people attending.

ii. Village Property

The clerk reported that an inventory walk had not yet taken place. It was agreed that this would now take place on 2nd November 2011.

iii Traffic, Parking & Highways

Cllr Mrs Johns reported that drivers with boats visiting the Sailing Club were being driven at high speed and were using Port Lane rather than the route from Lichfield Road. She also reported that the road by Portfields had sunk and lorries were having problems getting around the corner.

RESOLVED: *that the clerk would write to the secretary of the Sailing Club to ask if visitors to the club could be reminded to drive safely and to use the correct route. The clerk should also speak to Highways to report the issues with the road outside Portfields.*

The council then discussed the proposed yellow lines at the junctions of Goose Lane, Hall Hill Lane and Church Lane following notification from the Highways Department that three sites were being considered. Letters and emails from residents were read out. The clerk reported that a letter had been posted to all residents near to these locations to advise them of the proposals. As a result she had received a telephone call and an email in support of those at Church Lane and one letter against. She had also received one telephone call in support of those at Hall Hill Lane and one email

against and an email of support for those at Goose Lane. Cllr R Jarman reported that he had received one telephone call from a resident of the Alms Houses who expressed concern that residents may start to park on Church Lane as an alternative to parking on the main road.

The members discussed the proposals.

As lines at Goose Lane and Hall Hill Lane had been discussed at a previous meeting and agreed upon the members still fully supported these. Members then took a vote on the proposed lines at Church Lane and all members were in favour of these.

RESOLVED: *that the clerk would report back to Highways on the council's decision.*

The clerk reported that Highways would then carry out a full consultation with neighbours before a final decision on the yellow lines would be given by the Highways Department.

iv. Richard Clarke First School

The clerk read out the email regarding the "20 is plenty zone" that had been received from Miss Shaw, the headmistress of Richard Clarke First School.

RESOLVED : *that the clerk should contact Miss Shaw and arrange a meeting with Cllr R Jarman and the clerk.*

v. Competitions

Cllr R Mills read out the judges comments from the BKV competition. He suggested that for next year the theme for the children's posters should be red, white and blue to support the Jubilee.

vi. Newsletter

The following articles were agreed for the next newsletter which would be published In December:-

BKV Photograph
Table of council's responsibilities
Update on Post Office
Request for more volunteers for Speed Watch
Village Hall Rates

viii. Village Hall

Nothing to report

ix. Millennium Green

Nothing to report

77. Correspondence, bulletins and reports

- Letter from Mr S Wilson regarding the land at the rear of the Village Hall.

78. Post Office

It was reported that no other option for the Post Office had yet been found and the Post Office was scheduled to close on 16th November 2011.

79. Doctor's Surgery

The notice that has been distributed by the village doctor's surgery was discussed.

RESOLVED: that Cllr Mrs M Moore should write to the surgery.

80. Meeting dates for 2012

The following meeting dates were proposed by the clerk

4th Jan, (budget), 25th Jan, 29th Feb, 28th Mar, 25th Apr, 16th May (Parish Assembly), 23rd May, 27th June, 25th July, 26th Sept, 31st Oct, 28th Nov.

Parish Surgeries would take place on:-

21st Jan, 24th Mar, 19th May, 21st July, 22nd Sept, 24th Nov

RESOLVED: that the clerk should book the venues for these agreed dates.

81. Neighbourhood Plan

Members agreed that more investigation should be done in to the Neighbourhood Plan and that a working group should undertake more research.

RESOLVED: that the Cllrs E Roy and R Mills should make up the working group and should investigate further. It was agreed that they would talk to the Community Council.

82. Jubilee

Members discussed the Jubilee and how the Parish Council could get involved. The clerk suggested that maybe a competition could be run for hanging baskets with a red white and blue theme. It was also suggested that the council should purchase bunting to dress the main street.

RESOLVED: that the clerk would source costs for bunting. Also an item could be put in to the newsletter to ask for suggestions for how the village can get involved.

83. Agenda Items for the Next Meeting

- Jubilee
- Neighbourhood Plan
- Field behind the Village Hall

84. Date, time and place of future meetings

November Parish Council Meeting, 7.00pm Wed 30th November 2011 – Village Hall

There being no other business the chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed _____

Date 30th November 2011