

BAGNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

18 May 2021

Via Zoom

Present:

Cllr Andrew Batson (Chair)
Cllr Roger Jackson
Cllr Les Knowles

Cllr Peter Lawley
Cllr David Pearson
Cllr Sybil Ralphs

In attendance:

Denise Cooper (Clerk); Cllr Keith Flunder; 2 parishioners

Apologies	
No apologies	
Minutes of the Previous Meeting	
The April minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record.	
Declaration of Personal / Pecuniary Interest	
Cllrs Pearson and Knowles declared an interest in discussions around the planning application for Old Hall Farm and took no part in deliberations.	
Adjournment of meeting for public comments and concerns	
Parishioners' Concerns	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ A request was made to defer cutting the greens and verges by one month at the start of the season next year. This would allow bees to use the dandelions as a source of nectar until other sources come into flower. Views of the community on this issue will be taken into consideration.	
County Councillor Reports (as of 15 May 2021)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ We moved to the third stage of the roll out took place on 17 May 2021, with further easing of restrictions.▪ Regular twice weekly, home testing is being promoted, particularly for those working with others.▪ There are concerns around the Indian variant of CV-19, which is on the borders of Staffordshire.▪ SCC is developing a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. Meetings are being scheduled to link Bagnall's footpaths with those of other areas.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A number of highway related issues were advised to Cllr Flunder which he agreed to take to the next Highways meeting. <p>District Councillor Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No report
21.11	<p>Finances</p> <p>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None <p>21.11.01 – Invoices / Receipts</p> <p>The Parish Council was in receipt of the following monies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Abbey Hulton FC – Hire of playing field - £40.00 ○ Endon Sharks FC – Hire of playing field – £30.00 ○ SMDC – Precept part payment - £4,550.00 <p>The following invoices were received and payment agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Denise Cooper – Remuneration - £168.74 ○ Zurich Insurance – Insurance - £383.40 ○ S & W Grounds Maintenance – Cutting the greens - £300.00 <p>21.11.02 – Capital Repayment</p> <p>Cllr Pearson queried whether further capital repayments against the loan would be made during the current financial year. After discussion it was agreed to defer a decision on this until other financial commitments were clearer.</p> <p>21.11.03 – Village Hall</p> <p>Cllr Knowles advised that he had met with the Solicitor representing the Village Hall in relation to the Trusteeship and advised that to progress this matter the Parish Council would need to appoint its own Solicitor to act on our behalf in the conveyancing.</p>
21.22	<p>Planning</p> <p>SMDC Planning Decisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DET/2021/0012 – Lower Greenfield Farm, Jack Hayes Lane, Armshead Proposed new portal framed fodder and machinery store <i>Bagnall PC – made no comments as this is an application under agricultural delegated powers. SMDC granted permission</i> ▪ SMD/2020/0153 – Manor House Farm, The Village, Bagnall Construction of agricultural workers dwelling <i>Bagnall PC had no objection. SMDC approved.</i> ▪ SMD/2020/0072 – Old Hall Farm, The Green, Bagnall The proposed building would be of steel construction measuring 6.9m base, with 2.5m eaves and 20 degree pitched room and 3.8m ridge.

Bagnall PC objected. SMDC refused permission. The proposed building was considered an inappropriate development in the green belt. An essential need for the building to be located in the open countryside had not been demonstrated for a building of the scale proposed, and insufficient information had been provided as to why the building could not be located within the residential curtilage of the dwelling nor why the existing stable building or existing detached garage could not be used.

New Applications

- SMD/2021/0285 – White Gables, Clewlows Bank, Bagnall
Proposed single storey side extension

Bagnall PC has some reservations around this application, principally around the materials used for the roof

- SMD/2021/0289 – New House Farm, Bagnall Road, Bagnall
Proposed improvements to vehicular access

Bagnall PC had no objections, but suggested the use of a gate rather than a stile and that the access should be for personal use rather than business

- SMD/2021/0172 – Bagnall Green Farm, The Green, Bagnall
Proposed menage / exercise arena 25m x 45m

Bagnall PC had no objections in principle, although concerns were raised around the finished level/contours. A request for a condition to be placed on the application, if agreed, that it was for private not commercial use

- SMD/2020/0571 – Mistra, School Road, Bagnall
Single storey garage extension and 3x side elevation windows

Bagnall PC had no objection. SMDC approved. Taken to appeal on the approval conditions imposed

Correspondence

- White Gables – email received from the owner regarding this application
- Old Hall Farm – letter received from the owner regarding this development

21.13 General Maintenance and Other Issues

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

18.84.02 – Railings at the Ford

	<p>Cllr Pearson advised that the posts had now been painted and when a clear day's dry weather is available the railings themselves will be painted.</p> <p>20.44.05 – Depth Gauge, The Ford Cllr Pearson has initiated procurement of materials.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Cllr Pearson</p> <p>20.52.02 – Playing Field – French Drain Cllr Jackson agreed to chase up a quotation from a contract he has been in contact with.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Cllr Jackson</p> <p>20.54.01 – Playing Field – Additional Equipment Cllr Batson advised that a small working party had been created, made up of volunteers from the community. Prior to their first meeting, discussions with SMDC's finance department around possible grants will be arranged.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Cllr Batson / Cllr Ralphs</p> <p>20.52.01 – Casual Vacancy Recruitment papers, previously circulated to Cllrs, were agreed, however, due to current uncertainties around the unlocking process it was agreed to revisit this at the next meeting before advertising.</p> <p>New Issues None</p>
21.14	Footpaths and Highways
	<p>Matters arising from previous minutes</p> <p>20.51.02 – Egress of water onto carriageway, Clewlows Bank A further complaint regarding this issue has been received from residents. Cllr Flunder is discussing this at the next Highways meeting.</p> <p>New Issues</p> <p>21.14.01 – Footpath 20 A resident has advised there are no way markers at either end of this footpath and there is a notice on a gate advising of a bull in the field. Following investigations, it would appear this issue is more complex than originally envisaged. An appointment has been made with SCC to view the definitive map and all paperwork associated with this footpath.</p>
21.15	Correspondence
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SCC – Data Protection Officer Scheme – <i>It was agreed not to take up this offer.</i> ▪ Rt Hon Karen Bradley MP – Invitation to a Virtual Senior Tea Dance on Friday 21 May 2021 between 3pm and 4pm ▪ Office for National Statistics – Thank you letter. The Census 2021 has been a success for Staffordshire Moorlands, the best in history. ▪ HS2 Consultation – There were 499 responses to the consultation. The consultation report is available at https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/hs2-west-midlands-to-

	<p><u>crewe-environmental-and-traffic-impacts-transport-provisions-and-station-improvement-or-creation</u></p>
	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p>
	<p>The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 20 July 2021, 7.30pm</p> <p>The legislation that allowed virtual meetings has now expired and physical meetings must now be held. Due to the current uncertainties around the roll out a decision has been taken to cancel the June meeting.</p>

Meeting concluded at 8pm

Signed

(Chairman)

Dated: 20 July 2021