

BAGNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

23 March 2023

Moorlands Village Hall
School Road
Bagnall

Present:

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

Cllr Peter Lawley
Cllr Sybil Ralphs

In attendance:

Denise Cooper (Clerk/RFO); Hayley Taylor (Clerk) 17 members of the public

	Apologies
	No apologies were tendered.
	Minutes of the Previous Meeting
	The minutes of the previous meeting were read and agreed to be a true and accurate record.
	Declaration of Personal / Pecuniary Interest
	Personal/pecuniary interests were expressed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Cllr Knowles – Footpath 28▪ Cllrs Ralphs and Batson – Planning application for Lockside Cllrs took part in discussions, where appropriate, to ensure fullness of information but did not participate on any decisions made.
	Adjournment of meeting for public comments and concerns
	County Councillor Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ SCC has increased its budget by 4.99%▪ Boundaries Commission is reviewing the boundaries across the county. The report available for public information.▪ There are a number of grants available to community groups opening across the year.▪ Footpaths 13 and 17 in Endon with Stanley Parish have been designated as Bridleways.▪ The Integrated Care Partnership is developing a five-year strategy that will set out how organisations such as health and social care,

	<p>councils, police, fire and the voluntary and community sector could work with communities to improve the health and wellbeing of the local population from birth to end of life.</p> <p>Parishioners' Concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents raised concerns around the proposed changes to the licence at The Lockside, Greenway Hall Road. The general feeling was that whilst they wished the business to succeed – it currently has a good, upmarket restaurant and bar – the bone of contention is the impact of noise generated by music in the marquee which will impact adversely on their lives. The owners stated they were happy to listen to residents concerns and take these on board and had agreed to hold a meeting at The Lockside site on Monday 28 March 2023, 7.30pm. Cllrs agreed to be in attendance and to act as intermediaries if required. ▪ A resident queried the inaction of SCC to clear gullies, which with the heavy rain over recent weeks had caused many roads in the Parish to flood. Cllrs stated that this issue is causing the Parish Council some frustration as they had been corresponding with SCC over the past two years, to no avail.
<p>22.54</p>	<p>Clerks Recruitment</p>
	<p>A new Clerk has now been recruited and will take up position in April 2023.</p> <p>Cllr Ralphs, on behalf of all the Cllrs expressed her thanks to the retiring Clerk for her service both to the Parish Council and the community of Bagnall.</p>
<p>22.55</p>	<p>Planning</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>SMDC Planning Decisions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SMD/2023/0001 – Rock Cottage, Bagnall Road, Bagnall Re-submission of approved householder planning application SMD/2013/0215 for a single storey glazed rear extension. ○ DET/2023/0001 – New House Farm, Luzlow Lane, Bagnall Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed Change of Use of Agricultural buildings to dwellinghouses (Use Class C3) and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion. <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Bagnall Parish Council had no objections – SMDC approved</i></p> ▪ <i>New Applications</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SMD/2023/0077 – Woodhead Farm, Woodhead Road, Lightoaks Conversion of existing barns into 3no. residential dwellings <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Bagnall Parish Council had no objections .</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SMD//2023/0063 – Kerry Hill Farm, Eaves Lane, Armshead Change of use from agricultural field currently used as grazing land for horses to use as a dog exercise field. The area of development will utilise a previously fenced paddock used for grazing horses which will result in no physical changes to existing boundary hedges and fences which have been in place for agricultural purposes for the past 40 years. <p><i>Cllrs had some concerns around this application and deferred a decision whilst further information was sought. .</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Application for the grant of a premises licence – Lockside, Greenway Hall Road, Stockton Brook <p><i>A decision was deferred until after the planned meeting between owners and residents.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning Appeal against refusal of a household application APP/B3438/D/23/3315837 – Loreto, Clewloes Bank, Stockton Brook Demolition of existing single storey side/rear extension and replacement two storey side/single storey rear extension.
22.56	Finances
	<p><i>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None <p>New Issues</p> <p>22.56.01 – Greens and Playing Field Maintenance The groundsman has requested an uplift of £100 across both contracts to cover increased in spares and fuel. This was agreed.</p> <p>22.56.02 – Kiosk A quotation has been received for labour costs of the refurbishment of the kiosk in the sum of £300.00. This was agreed.</p> <p>Cllr Knowles requested permission to purchase paint and replacement parts at a cost circa £50.00. This was agreed.</p> <p>22.56.03 – Invoices and Receipts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Receipts</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None ▪ <i>Invoices</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Town & Country Websites – annual subscription - £240.00

22.57	General Maintenance and Other Issues
	<p><i>Matters Arising from Previous Minutes</i> 21.29.05 – Telephone Kiosk outside Rose and Crown In relation to an electricity supply, this work has been passed to AEDdonate to take forward on our behalf.</p> <p>22.46.03 – Trees 5 x 6/7ft Oak trees have now been planted on the playing fields to replace those previously removed due to disease. The Parish Council thanked Cllr Jackson for his donation.</p> <p><i>New Issues</i> 22.57.01 – Meeting Venue Cllrs had commented on the unsuitability of the village hall to hold meetings due to a lack of heating and the need to set up tables/chairs. These issues has been raised with the Village Hall Committee who apologised and reassured us that heating will be made available for future meetings. In the meantime, Cllrs will make enquiries as to the availability of an alternative venue.</p> <p>22.53.02 – Elections Elections across Staffordshire Moorlands are scheduled to take place on 4 May 2023. Arrangements are in place to facilitate this:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nomination papers will be available between 23 March 2023 and 4 April 2023. These can be obtained from SMDC or downloaded from the Electoral Commission website. ▪ Completed papers need to be returned to SMDC by hand no later than 4 April 2023. Online or postal submissions will not be accepted. ▪ The period known as ‘Purdah’ commenced on 22 March 2023 and Cllrs have been advised on restrictions surrounding publicity. ▪ Notice of Elections have been published on the Parish Council’s website.
22.58	Footpaths and Highways
	<p><i>Matters arising from previous minutes.</i> 22.09.02 – Footpath 28 Following the submission of an anonymised report the RoW Officer has liaised with SCC’s Legal dept. However, the outcome was that there was still insufficient evidence to warrant a barrier to prevent incidents of motorcycle use along this footpath. The Clerk was asked to write to the RoW officer stating that the Parish Council felt a duty of care to the community which SCC did not share and therefore the Parish Council held them responsible for any adverse incidents as we had repeatedly made them aware of the potential dangers of motorcycle use on this footpath. Action: Clerk.</p>

	<p>22.47.02 – Footpath 25 Cllrs Jackson and Batson have undertaken a site visit and confirm that this footpath is inaccessible. The cost implications of bringing this back into use are prohibitive.</p> <p>22.47.01 – Road Projects The Parish Council has now received a response from SCC and Cllr Knowles has met with Cllr Flunder to discuss the issues. Further discussions will take place to move this issue forward.</p> <p>New Issues</p> <p>22.58.01 – Road Closure: Stanley Moss Lane from its junction with Stanley Road – The road will be closed between 3-16 April 2023.</p> <p>22.58.02 – Village Hall Fete: 1 July 2023 Permission was sought by the Village Hall Committee to use the playing field for a dog show. This was granted provided the field was cleared of all debris.</p> <p>22.58.03 – Stafford Arms; Ladybird Search A Ladybird Hunt is being organised for children by the Stafford Arms on Easter Saturday, 11.30am – 2.30pm.</p> <p>22.58.03 – Walking Festival A walk is being organised as part of the Walking Festival on 25 April 2023. Liaise with Cllr Batson for further information.</p> <p>22.58.04 – Litter Pick Cllr Lawley enquired about the litter pick organised by SMDC. Cllr Ralphs stated that this may not happen this year due to the elections. Cllr Batson will speak to Vicky Vincent to make enquiries.</p>
22.59	Correspondence
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SMDC – UK Shared Prosperity Fund – A presentation took place on 16 March 2023.. ▪ Checkly Parish Council – Neighbourhood Plan Pre-Examination Consultation.
	Date of Next Meeting
	The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 14 April 2023, 7.00pm in the main hall.

Meeting concluded at 8.40pm

Signed

(Chairman)
Dated: 14 April 2023