

**Minutes of the Meeting of the North Baddesley Parish Council Planning Committee, held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Sandy Lane, North Baddesley.**

**Present:** Cllrs D Knight (Chair), D Middlewick, P Thompson, R Walmsley, V Wotton and A Yellin

**Apologies:** Cllrs G Louden and A Warnes

**In Attendance:** Mr and Mrs Pimley (Editor of the Baddesley Beadle)  
J Harrington, Parish Clerk (Minutes)

**Members of the Public:** None

**19-20/0470 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Warnes who was attending TVBC Southern Area Planning Meeting and Cllr Louden who was away.

**19-20/0471 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS**

There were no declarations of interest.

**19-20/0472 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

There were no planning applications.

**19-20/0473 BADDESLEY BEADLE**

The Chairman welcomed Mr and Mrs Pimley to the meeting. Mr Pimley had attended to point out his concerns regarding editing of the Baddesley Beadle following recent instructions received from the Parish Council.

Paul's main concern was that he had not been involved in discussions with the Parish Council from the outset over making changes to both the way in which the magazine was edited and the consideration and pricing of advertisements. Paul produced a list of instructions, recently received from the Parish Council, which he was not happy with and over which he felt he should have been consulted.

The Chairman emphasized the fact that the Parish Council felt that Paul did a fantastic job in editing the Beadle. Cllr Knight said that, advertisements from outside the village were being re-considered, as some of them proved to be competition for those from within the village. Paul felt that it should not be about competition but about what was good for the village.

Paul had produced a list of tasks that he undertook in his role as editor to underline how much work was involved and said that he was no longer sure whether he could continue. Paul said that he felt unsure as to how to proceed with editing as he was fearful of what to put in the magazine. The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council did not want readers to assume that views expressed in articles were the Parish Council's views when this might not be the case. It was agreed that a disclaimer would resolve the problem.

All agreed that there had been a serious lack of communication and that the Parish Council should have had discussions with the Editor in the first instance. The Chairman agreed that Paul had made some relevant points and hoped that members could work with him to resolve them.

The Chairman asked Paul whether there was any equipment that the Parish Council could provide that would assist him in his role as Editor and to let members know if there was any other assistance that they could provide.

The Chairman thanked Mr and Mrs Pimley for attending and they left the meeting.

After discussions it was agreed that a letter of apology should be sent to Mr Pimley and to seek his views on how to proceed in the future. It was also agreed to offer assistance with taking delivery of the Beadle, once printed, to alleviate pressure on Mr Pimley.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **FUTURE AGENDAS**

The Clerk drew members' attention to the fact that meetings were getting longer due to the increased number of items on the agenda at nearly every full council and planning meeting. It was agreed that only one extra item would be added to the agenda for each meeting in the future. This number could rise to a maximum of two to allow for anything urgent which might occur.

As the date for the April meeting fell on Easter Monday, the meeting would be moved to Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April. **ACTION: The Clerk to change the date on the website and ensure all notices and agendas were changed.**

19-20/0474

19-20/0475

**SCOUTS**

A meeting to discuss various issues with the Scouts, including a risk assessment of the Remembrance Day Parade, would be convened separately.

It was agreed that the Clerk would look at the terms that had been provisionally agreed with the Scouts regarding their lease and send a copy of the draft revised lease to all Councillors.

**ACTION: The Clerk to send a copy of the draft revised lease to all Councillors.**

19-20/0476

**SEPTIC TANK**

Cllrs Knight and Middlewick had met with the resident in whose back garden the manhole cover was situated. The manhole cover was currently covered in debris, but the resident assured that this was soon to be cleared and gave permission for access to his garden for investigations to take place.

Cllr Knight thought that there may have been a connection point to the old pavilion and agreed to liaise with the groundsman with a view to locating this connection point.

**ACTION: Cllr Knight to liaise with the groundsman.**

19-20/0477

**ALLOTMENTS**

An allotment holder had complained about a piece of roofing felt that had been dumped outside her allotment. **ACTION: The Clerk to ask the groundsman to remove the roofing felt. Cllr Walmsley to provide a notice for the noticeboard asking ploholders to ensure that any non-organic waste was taken to the local tip.**

The groundsman had investigated the drainage problem on plot 19 but had reported that it was no worse than any other plot and was due to the recent heavy rainfall.

19-20/0478

**LAND TO THE REAR OF BRACKEN ROAD**

An enquiry had been received via the website as to the ownership of land to the rear of Bracken Road. It was thought to be Fleming Estates but a check with Land Registry would confirm.

19-20/0479

**LIBRARY CONSULTATION**

Cllr Wotton had drafted a response to the Head of Library Services which was approved by the Parish Council. **ACTION: Cllr Wotton to send the response.**

**19-20/0480 PAVILION BROADBAND**

Cllr Walmsley was continuing to research a better deal for the pavilion but needed to see the previous contract with BT. **ACTION: The Clerk to provide the contract for Cllr Walmsley.**

**19-20/0481 PAVILION ELECTRICITY**

Cllr Walmsley requested recent meter readings which the groundsman had not yet provided for the Clerk. **ACTION: The Clerk to chase the groundsman**

**19-20/0482 PAVILION WATER**

Cllr Walmsley had studied recent bills and concluded that the Parish Council might be slightly underpaying but not by too much. It was agreed, however, that a meter reading was still necessary. **ACTION: The Clerk to chase the groundsman.**

**19-20/0483 PREMIER TENNIS**

It was agreed that Cllrs Knight and Middlewick would meet with a company that had expressed an interest in providing a quotation for surfacing to the proposed new sports areas. The Clerk to arrange. **ACTION: The Clerk to arrange a meeting**

**19-20/0484 CHAIRS AT PAVILION**

A quotation in the sum of £150 to remove the metal boxes from chairs at the pavilion was accepted. The Clerk to arrange for the works to be carried out.

**ACTION: The Clerk to arrange for works to remove the metal boxes from chairs at the pavilion to proceed.**

The meeting closed at 9pm