

Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of North Baddesley Parish Council held Via Video Conference on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr D Knight (Chair), F Baker, G Louden, D Middlewick, P Thompson, R Walmsley and A Yellin

Absent: Cllr A Warnes and County Cllr A Dowden

In Attendance: Borough Cllr Mrs C Dowden
J Harrington, Parish Clerk (Minutes)

Members of the Public: None

21-22/0019

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A Warnes and County Cllr A Dowden.

21-22/0020

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS/DISPENSATIONS

The Parish Council declared an interest in planning application no. 21/00351/FULLS and did not take part in discussions. Members of the Parish Council who were also Trustees of the Recreation Ground Charity declared an interest in Minute No 21-22/0047. There were no other declarations of interest/dispensations.

21-22/0021

OPEN PERIOD

There were no members of the public present.

Borough Cllr Mrs Celia Dowden referred to the plaques produced by the Men's Shed to commemorate the fallen soldiers of the two World Wars. One at the Recreation Ground, close to the traffic lights at the junction of Castle Lane and Botley Road, was badly damaged and Cllr Mrs Dowden advised that the Parish Council remove it. All agreed. **ACTION: The Clerk to ask the groundsman to remove the damaged plaque.**

Cllr Knight asked if there was any update on the handing back of the Community Centre lease to TVBC. Cllr Mrs Dowden advised the Clerk to liaise with Marianne Piggin and to copy her into any emails.

ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with Marianne Piggin of TVBC

Cllr Knight referred to Roundabouts Copse and expressed concern that there had been recent reports of loud noise, parties and fires being lit. Cllr Mrs Dowden confirmed that TVBC were aware and were liaising with the Police and PCSO's.

Borough Cllr Mrs Celia Dowden left the meeting.

21-22/0022

MINUTES

Minute 20-21/0517, Page 135, Allotments – should read firethorn bushes and not hawthorn bushes. Cllr Knight suggested a mixture of blackthorn, hawthorn and firethorn. It was then unanimously resolved that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as an accurate record and would be signed by the Chairman at the next non-virtual meeting.

MATTERS ARISING

21-22/0023

ALLOTMENTS (Minute 20-21/0517)

An allotment meeting was due to be held on Saturday 8th May. The Clerk reported that the groundsman was offering free sheep fleece to all allotment holders. It was agreed that this could be included in an email to all allotment holders when circulating the revised allotment rules. **ACTION: The Clerk to email all Allotment Holders.**

21-22/0024

SEPTIC TANK (Minute 20-21/0518)

A date for the completion of the works was still awaited. The groundsman had offered to empty the septic tank before works commenced. All agreed. **ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with the groundsman.**

21-22/0025

DEFIBRILLATORS (Minute 20-21/519)

The Clerk had not yet received a reply from Welmedical concerning the missing numbers on the front of the two recently purchased cabinets. Cllr Middlewick felt that the postcode could be substituted for the numbers provided the Ambulance Service was happy with this. **ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with the Ambulance Service and to purchase a further defibrillator for this year.**

21-22/0026

PARISH PLAN (Minute 20-21/0521)

No further progress had been made. The Clerk agreed to liaise with Marianne Piggin. **ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with Marianne Piggin.**

21-22/0027 BUS SHELTERS (Minute 20-21/0522)

All the bus shelters had been painted apart from the one at the Bedes Lea which needed a hole cut in. The Chairman confirmed that he had some edging which the groundsman could use.

Cllr Middlewick asked that wheelchair users be considered when positioning the hole.

ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with the groundsman concerning the bus shelter.

21-22/0028 USE OF PAVILION AND RECREATION GROUND (Minute 20-21/0523)

All the electrical works had been completed and certification was due to be provided. Works to instal LED lighting throughout the building were in hand.

There were concerns that the roof was still leaking. The Clerk had contacted a roofing contractor who had provided a quotation last year to seal the joists. The updated quotation was in the sum of £1650. All other roofing contractors that had been contacted to quote at the time had not replied. Given the urgency of the situation due to safety concerns, the quotation was agreed.

ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with the contractor to put the works in hand.

21-22/0029 TENNIS COURTS (Minute 20-21/0524)

Works to jet wash the tennis courts had been completed to a satisfactory standard. The white lines were still visible.

21-22/0030 TORNAY GROVE/QUEEN'S RIDE (Minute 20-21/525)

Cllr Walmsley reported that some fencing had been left at the side of the road to the rear of Tornay Grove/Queen's Ride.

ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with the groundsman to find out who is responsible for the fencing.

21-22/0031 CONTAINER ON CRICKET FIELD (Minute 20-21/0527)

The rusty container had not yet been removed. It was not known if the old tractor had been removed. The Clerk to liaise with the groundsman.

21-22/0032 SKATEPARK (Minute 20-21/0528)

Quotations had been received but unfortunately one was over budget. Funding options were being considered. Further discussions would take place at the next Estates meeting.

21-22/0033 SPEED LIMIT REMINDER SIGNS (Minute 20-21/0529)

The signs were now being rotated throughout the village. Data was being collected and stored and Cllr Middlewick undertook to download the data next time the signs were moved. There were discussions around adjusting the maximum speed. Cllr Middlewick reported that the Men's Shed were spending a lot of time moving the signs and changing batteries and it was agreed that a maintenance agreement and charge should be drawn up.

It was proposed that the Men's Shed would invoice the Parish Council monthly for relocating the signs, changing the batteries and downloading data at a cost of £50 per month. All agreed.

21-22/0034 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR GRANT AWARDS (Minute 20-21/0530)

No further progress had been made.

21-22/0035 CONTAINER ALARM (Minute 20-21/0532)

A response from the Football Club concerning connecting the Football Club's container to the pavilion alarm system was awaited.

With regard to using the Parish Council's container for storage, the Football Club were waiting for the hardstanding to be installed before they could erect the goalposts which should be done by late July. All agreed that the Parish Council container could be used for storage until this time.

21-22/0036 REAR GARDEN EXTENSION BOUNDARIES (Minute 20-21/0533)

Cllr Walmsley had provided the addresses of residents who needed to move their fences and sheds. The Clerk to liaise with the residents.

ACTION: The Clerk to liaise with rear garden extension holders who needed to move their fences and sheds.

A request for works to Parish Council trees overhanging the boundary with one of the properties was being investigated and a quotation was being sought.

21-22/0037**IMPROVEMENTS TO FOOTBALL PITCHES (Minute 20-21/0534)**

The Football Club had requested permission to use their own tractor (they had applied for a Foundation Grant to purchase one) and to use volunteers from the club to cut the grass on the football pitches.

The Clerk had liaised with the groundsman and it was agreed that the groundsman and representatives from the Football Club would be invited to the next Estates meeting on 24th May. There were discussions around Insurance and the Clerk undertook to contact the Insurance Company.
ACTION: The Clerk to invite the groundsman and representatives from the Football Club to the next Estates meeting and to contact the Insurance Company.

21-22/0038 PROJECTS CLUBS (Minute 20-21/0535)

A date was yet to be confirmed for the commencement of the Project Clubs.

21-22/0039 LAND AT CORNER OF BRACKEN ROAD AND ROWNHAMS LANE (Minute 20-21/0538)

TVBC was continuing to monitor the situation.

21-22/0040 COMMUNITY CENTRE (Minute 20-21/0539)

A site meeting was yet to be arranged to discuss responsibility for repairs to the fence. The Clerk to chase.

21-22/0041 FREE TREE SAPLINGS (Minute 20-21/0540)

It was agreed that the Parish Council would defer applying for the free tree saplings at the present time. Once the deer fence had been erected at the allotments, the situation would be monitored.

21-22/0042 COFFEE SHOP AT PAVILION (Minute 20-21/0542)

A site meeting was yet to be arranged to discuss the requirements for a coffee shop at the pavilion with the member of the public who had expressed an interest. The Clerk to chase.

21-22/0043 BROADBAND (Minute 20-21/0546)

Cllr Middlewick reported much improved speeds and undertook to reset all the passwords so that Cllr Knight could gain remote access for the CCTV.
ACTION: Cllr Middlewick to reset all the passwords.

21-22/0044 CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND (Minute 20-21/0548)

The Clerk had been unable to arrange a site meeting with HCC. Further attempts would be made. A specification and quotation to improve drainage in the area were awaited from the Engineers.

21-22/0045 BARRIER GATE AT MOUNTBATTEN PARK (Minute 20-21/0551)

The problem with the lock had been resolved.

21-22/0046 GRANTS

The application to Greaves and Withey Foundation had been unsuccessful. No further grants had been applied for.

CORRESPONDENCE**21-22/0047 RECREATION GROUND CHARITY**

A request had been received from Trustees of the Recreation Ground Charity to lease the recreational facilities in the village at a peppercorn rent. Members who were Trustees of the Charity declared an interest but acted in the best interests of the Parish Council. The Parish Council had received advice from the appropriate people and believed this was the best way forward. It was unanimously agreed in principle once a suitable lease had been drawn up. **ACTION: The Clerk to reply to the Secretary of the Charity.**

21-22/0048 TUTLAND ROAD

A resident of Tutland Road had informed the Clerk that the shops in Seymour Parade had been sold in August 2020 although they were still managed by the same company, Hamilton Townsend.

The resident had expressed concern that an area of wasteland in Tutland Road, which the residents had been maintaining for years, may also have been sold and plans might be underway to use the area to improve access to the shops for delivery lorries. This would mean lorries driving directly in front of residential properties, increasing noise pollution, causing potholes in the private road and potentially blocking access to properties.

A Land Registry plan provided by the resident indicated that part of the private road had been claimed by shop owners.

Members agreed that the resident should be informed that the Parish Council could not give legal advice but recommended that they check their own full Title Deeds to their properties to find out what access rights they had and also those of their neighbours. They also needed to obtain the legal document, the full registered Title, for the land claimed by the shop owners and register their dispute with the Land Registry.

It should be stressed that the Parish Council was not giving legal advice.
ACTION: The Clerk to inform the resident of the Parish Council's advice and ask Hamilton Townsend if they had any plans for the area.

21-22/0049

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

Notification that Romsey Show will be held on Saturday 11th September 2021.

Countryside Voice – Spring 2021

21-22/0050

HEALTH AND SAFETY/ RISK ASSESSMENT

Apart from issues with the pavilion roof which were being addressed, there were no other health and safety concerns.

There were discussions around using a different venue for face-to-face meetings if the pavilion was not ready to be opened by 24th May. A decision to be made nearer the time.

21-22/0051

QUESTIONS/REPORTS FROM MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr Knight reported that Mrs Ann Tupper, a former Parish Councillor, was now the Age Concern representative for the area and was trying to get help for any older people in the village who might need it.

Cllr Thompson reported that a member of the Football Club was starting a fitness club and would like to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss it further. Cllr Knight confirmed that the facilities would need to be hired in the usual way.

Cllr Baker reported on a pilot scheme being carried out by TVBC to allow certain grassed areas to be left unmown over the summer and to monitor how they rewild. However, there were no areas in North Baddesley designated for the scheme. Cllr Baker had emailed TVBC and requested that Lavington Gardens be included in the scheme.

21-22/0052

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT12th April – 4th May 2021

Contractor costs, Clerk Salary, HMRC	5077.30
Business Stream – Pavilion water meter inspection	156.40
KR Tree Care Ltd – Fell tree at Tornay Grove	5750.00
Glasdon UK Ltd – New litter bin for Recreation Ground	482.44
Benica Solutions Ltd- Maintenance of St John’s churchyard	128.00
Benica Solutions Ltd – Monthly compliance checks and meter reading	192.00
Men’s Shed – Installation of defibrillator at Bedes Lea	100.00
Village Hall – Donation in respect of hob, cooker and table for kiosk	200.00
Sustainable Communities – Contract 3 - Grant Funded	150.00
Sustainable Communities – A4A Apprenticeships Project - Grant Funded	125.00
Sustainable Communities – Henry Smith Grant – Grant Funded	200.00
Business Stream – Additional sundry charge for pavilion water meter inspection	33.60
HALC – HALC/NALC Affiliation fees	1221.41
HCC – Street lighting	1926.38
J Harrington – 3 Master keys for pavilion from County Locksmiths	31.50
TOTAL	£15774.03

Proposed: Cllr R Walmsley Seconded: Cllr P Thompson

21-22/0053

TREES

21/01250/TPOS	17 West Lane/ 11 Highlands Close North Baddesley	Oak (T1) – Reduce overall canopy by 5 metres. <i>No objection – subject to Arboricultural Officer’s approval.</i>
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21-22/0054

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

21/01192/VARS	Test Valley Business Park Botley Road North Baddesley	Variation of Approved plans condition of 07/01950/RESS (Reserved Matters application for B8 warehouse and B1 office buildings, associated parking and access road) to allow alterations to elevations. <i>No comment</i>
21/01072/FULLS	91 Cedar Crescent North Baddesley	Erection of porch to front of house. <i>No comment</i>

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21/01298/FULLS	3 Sycamore Close North Baddesley	Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension. <i>No comment</i>
21/00351/FULLS	133 Botley Road North Baddesley <i>The PC declared an interest and did not comment</i>	Part change of use to hand car wash business to include provision of new splash barrier, drainage and ramp installation, replacement of sliding door and window with shutter doors and siting of storage container on site. <i>The Parish Council has an interest and cannot comment</i>

The meeting closed at 21.53pm