

BEDSTONE AND BUCKNELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7th May 2015 in Bucknell Memorial Hall, following the Annual Parish Assembly

PRESENT

Mr J Kemp (Vice Chairman), Mr W Davies, Miss B Stone, Mr C Savery,
Mrs F Hughes, Mrs B Sharpe.
Shropshire Councillor N Hartin.

OPEN DISCUSSION

There were pot holes on the road between Hayes Wood and Cubbage, not large diameter, but deep. Clerk to report these.

The Vice Chairman then closed the Open Meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr I Owen (Chairman), Mr A Faulkner, Mr I Graves.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Chairman. Mr Kemp was nominated by Miss Stone and seconded by Mrs Sharpe and elected unanimously on a show of hands. Mr Kemp said he would only be able to fulfil his duties as Chairman with the active co-operation and participation of all Parish Councillors.

Vice Chairman. Mr Owen was proposed by Mr Savery and seconded by Mr Davies. Elected on a show of hands: 5 in favour with one abstention.

APPOINTMENT OF CHEQUE SIGNATORIES

These were currently Mr Owen, Mr Kemp and Mr Davies. It was agreed unanimously to reappoint these en bloc.

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 7.4.15

Agreed unanimously and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING:

Bucknell school report. Improvements had been made to the entrance hall to improve security. The Playgroup had now moved into the old kitchen. Various outside improvements were in hand.

There had been a trip to London to visit the Houses of Parliament. A choir concert was planned for 21st May with the Clungunford choir.

There were 47 children on the roll.

A school safety officer had said the hedge should be removed. Miss Edwards to find out the ownership of the hedge. If it belonged to the Parish Council, a formal letter of request would be needed.

Public telephone boxes. Clerk to try again to get them cleaned and painted.

Revision of the Parish plan. Miss Stone said the next meeting on 11th May would discuss programming.

Dog fouling. The owner of the garage was happy to have a supply of bags, but not a dispenser.

Five-year plan for trees. A qualified expert would probably charge in the region of £500 per day. A map of the areas concerned was needed, with the trees marked. Mr Davies to make enquiries.

CLUN VALLEY AED/CFR SCHEMES

Miss Edwards said there had been an AED session at the school, and a HeartStart course was planned for July.

The AED unit at the Sitwell should be in the box, but there was a problem with the heater.

DAFFODIL LANE DEVELOPMENT

Miss Edwards reported that work was still continuing on the changing rooms.

Minutes of meetings to be emailed to Mr Owen, who would then report to the Parish Council.

Mr Owen to attend Steering Group meetings to represent the Parish Council, Miss Stone to attend if Mr Owen was unable to. Miss Stone to attend tomorrow night's meeting, and would let Mr Owen know.

Quotation for grass cutting. After discussion the Parish Council unanimously agreed to pay half the cost of this.

PROPOSED WAR MEMORIAL

Appointment of Parish Council representative. To be put on the next Agenda.

SOUTH WEST SHROPSHIRE LJC

Nothing to report at present.

Mr Hartin asked whether a representative from the Parish Council could attend the meeting in July.

ROADS

Nothing to report on outstanding road problems.

Mr Hartin said forward plan was being produced.

PLANNING

Application No. 15/01579/LBC. Conversion of two dwellings into one dwelling at 12-13 Bedstone. Supported.

There were no decisions to be reported by planning authority.

CORRESPONDENCE

"Spotlight" leaflets for May. Distributed to those present.

SpArc Theatre leaflets. Distributed to those present.

FINANCE:

Account balances not available.

It was agreed unanimously to pay the following:

Broker Network Ltd (insurance)	£384.21
HMRC (PAYE))	£46.80
Mrs N Adams (salary April))	£187.42
R Davies (grasscutting etc)	£320.79
Bucknell Memorial Hall (hire for meetings)	£90.00
npower (energy charge March qtr)	£216.83
St Mary's church Bedstone (grant re: churchyard wall repair)	£3000.00.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Closed churchyard, Bucknell. Chairman and Miss Stone to meet PCC representative on site, with particular reference to the steps down onto Chapel Lawn Road.

Street lighting improvements. To be put in the Parish Plan update, with costings.

DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 2nd June 2015 in Bucknell Memorial Hall at 7.30pm.

Chairman and Miss Stone to sort list of dates for all future meetings.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

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