

ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting  
Held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 7.00 pm  
Held at Abbots Bromley Village Hall pursuant to notice having been given

**Present:** Cllrs Dr C Whorwood (Chair), Mr K Baker, Mrs C Brown, Mr P Freeman, Mrs K Haywood, Mrs S Morgan, Mr E Rodway-Bowden,

**In attendance:** Mrs S Meads (Clerk),

**Members of the Public Attending:** 2

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**89. Apologies for absence**  
Received from Cllr R Love and Cllr R Beaumont  
**RESOLVED:** *to accept apologies*

**90. Public Session**

Mr Wheeldon, representing the Nostalgia Group, returned the cheque that had been donated to the group. He asked if the cheque could be reissued and made out to the ABPCC instead as the Nostalgia Group did not have a bank account of their own and both the Group and ABPCC are working together on refurbishing the stones in the church yard. The project is currently moving forward and they are working with a stone mason to restore the stones. The Clerk explained that the cheque had already been reissued and was awaiting signature by the councillors. Mr Wheeldon continued and said that next month there would be a meeting with Abbots Bromley School Guild which would discuss heritage and restoration.

Mr Rawlinson attended the meeting on behalf of the Tennis Club as Chairman. He stated that on 12<sup>th</sup> July a ball was kicked over to the tennis court. One of the members sustained an injury. The Tennis Club originally sent correspondence to the Village Hall and apologised for not communicating with the Parish Council. He said that footballs going over does represent a health and safety hazard.

Cllr Whorwood asked how often balls do go over. Mr Rawlinson said that frequency of balls coming over is variable, probably every week at least once. This is the first time there has been an injury. Cllr Whorwood said that it might be valuable to conduct a risk assessment. This was discussed at length. Cllr Ms Morgan asked for clarification regarding community use and that the pitch is for general use and not just for certain age groups. The Clerk confirmed that this is the case.

Options for reducing the risk were discussed including removal of goal posts or putting in additional higher netting. Mr Rawlinson said that the Tennis Club would be happy to consider the extra netting.

**RESOLVED:** that Cllrs Mrs Brown and Dr Whorwood would conduct a risk assessment as soon as possible. The Clerk to get costs for a new goal net and also extra high netting.

#### 91. Declarations of Interest

Cllr K Baker declared an interested in the planning application for Oak Cottage and Cllr E Rodway-Bowden declared an interest in the planning application for Orchard House.

#### 92. Minutes of Previous Meetings

**RESOLVED :** that the minutes of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 were signed as a true and correct record with 2 amendments.

#### 93. Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

Cllr P Freeman said that at this stage there was not too much to update. Mr Wheeldon was continuing in his efforts to get housing information from Trent and Dove. Cllr Mrs Brown suggested a telephone call or chase up with a Freedom of Information request. Cllr Freeman said that Mr Wheeldon had asked East Staffs Borough Council for the information and they said that they didn't have it. It was suggested that ESBC is asked if they have a strategic housing enabler.

#### 94. Matters of Report

##### i. Welcome Pack

Cllr Mrs Haywood confirmed that this has now been completed

##### ii. Visitor's Guide

The Clerk confirmed that this is now with the printers and awaiting a proof. Cllr Baker suggested that all weather leaflet dispensers be located under the Buttercross.

##### iii. Horn Dance

Activities on the day were discussed.

**RESOLVED :** that a notice be put on social media encouraging local arts and crafts stalls throughout the village. Cllrs Ms Morgan and K Baker to liaise regarding this activity. Clerk to purchase bunting to decorate The Green which can later be used for the Jubilee. The Clerk said that help would be needed to put up and take down the stalls and also the bunting.

#### 95. Planning Report

##### APPLICATIONS

##### P/2020/01503 **Bromley Orchard House, 12A Linktake Drive, WS15 3EX**

Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for a minor material amendment relating to P/2017/00939 for the erection of a dwelling and detached garage without complying with condition 2 by way of amendments to the approved design for the detached garage. No Objections

##### P/2021/00489 **Oak Cottage, School House Lane, Abbots Bromley WS15 3BT**

Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for a minor material amendment relating to P/2019/00786 for the demolition of existing garage to facilitate the erection of a first floor and single storey rear extensions without complying with condition 2 to amend the materials for the windows and doors to composite in lieu of oak. No Objections

- P/2021/00159      **Butt Cottage, Goose Lane, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3DE**
- Erection of a part two storey, part first floor front/side extension single storey rear/side extension, detached double garage and rear dormer extension to facilitate loft conversion      Parish Council's objections still stand
- P/2021/00781      **Field House Farm, Parkgate Lane, Bromley Wood Abbots Bromley WS15 3AH** Prior Approval for the conversion of agricultural barn to form two dwellings      No Objections
- AGREED
- P/2021/00332      **South Staffs Water & Angling Club Admin Office, Waters Road, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3DU**
- P/2021/00467      **Harley Farm, Uttoxeter Road, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3EQ**
- P/2021/00546      **Harley Farm, Uttoxeter Road, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3EQ**
- P/2021/00554      **Harley Farm, Uttoxeter Road, Abbots Bromley**
- P/2021/00508      **Peelers House, Uttoxeter Road, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3EQ**
- P/2021/00582      **Former Grain Store at Yeatsall Farm, Yeatsall Lane Abbots Bromley**
- P/2021/00590      **Falcot, High Street, Abbots Bromley WS15 3BL**
- P/2021/00593      **Falcot, High Street, Abbots Bromley, WS15 3BL**
- P/2021/00779      **Hurds Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bromley Hurst, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3AD**

## 96. Finance Matters

### **B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting**

<i>Vch/Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>
23/2020	S Meads	576.69	July Salary
24/2021	SCC Pensions	226.81	Pension contribution for July
25/2022	S Meads	11.80	Expenses
26/2023	G McCulloch	520.00	Grounds Maintenance June
27/2024	ABPCC	1000.00	Section 137 donation (re-issue of Nostalgia Group cheque to ABPCC.
28/2025	Mrs K Haywood	110.36	Reimbursement for BKV vouchers and flowers for planters.
29/2025	S Meads	576.69	August Salary
28/2026	SCC Pensions	226.81	

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**RESOLVED** : that the above payments be made.

**97. Group Reports**

- i. **Recreation** – The external playground report was circulated prior to the meeting. The main priority and concern is the wetpour at The Nuttery.

**RESOLVED:** that the Clerk obtain a quote for the repair work to be done.

- ii. **Village Property** Councillors discussed the proposal from Infinitii to purchase the small plot of land at the back of the restaurant.

**RESOLVED:** Councillors agreed that selling the plot was not an option but it would be possible to rent it and put raised beds on the area.

- iii. **Traffic, Parking & Highways**

Cllr Dr Whorwood said that he had attended a meeting at the reservoir to discuss speeding issues and antisocial behaviour. Little progress had been made since the last meeting and the police and SCC Highways were still looking at ways to tackle the issues. The Clerk to continue to liaise with the police and request further police presence in the evenings. The Clerk confirmed that she had also requested that the Village Hall be included on the police rounds so as to deter anti-social behaviour. Councillors also discussed the Wildflowers on the verges. Cllr Baker advised that someone had mown the verges in one area that the Parish Council had wished to keep for wildflowers.

- iv. **Competitions**

Councillors discussed the option of having a wildlife garden competition next years with With judging taking place in May. Need to have community engagement, include article in next Bulletin and liaise with school.

Cllr Mrs Brown updated on the BKV competition. Judges would be back in the village in September for a further judging. Cllr Mrs Haywood had visited the school to deliver vouchers for the poster competition

- v. **Bulletin**

Next issue out in August, to include the Chair's report. Include articles on wildlife Garden competition, BKV, Neighbourhood Plan

- vi. **ABSA**

Nothing to report

- vii. **Village Hall**

Cllr Baker confirmed that Mrs S Phillipson is the new Chair.

- viii. **Almshouses**

Nothing to report

**98. Correspondence, bulletins and reports**

All correspondence circulated prior to the meeting and contents noted.

- SPCA Weekly Newsletters
- Covid weekly update emails from Cllr P Atkins
- Emails from resident of Seedcroft Lane regarding speeding issues – information passed on to the PCSO

- *Email invite to Uttoxeter Masterplan events.*
- *Email from ESBC with new adopted Code of Conduct.*
- *Email from Highways regarding siting of Passing Places signs on Hobb Lane – Clerk confirmed that these are now in place*
- *Email from Thomas Deery, ESBC regarding Uttoxeter Masterplan*
- *Playground Inspection report from Wicksteed – discussed in meeting and agreed to source quotation for repair of wetpour.*

**99. Agenda Items for the Next Meeting**

Jubilee, Horn Dance, Tennis Club

**100. Date, time and place of future meetings**

Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021 Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm Abbots Bromley Village Hall

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date 29th September 2021

**Abbots Bromley Parish Council will do all it can to protect Abbots Bromley's heritage and village status and seek to enhance the well-being of the community by moving towards a greener and more sustainable environment.**