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BUNNY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held in the
Village Church on Thursday 20th July 2023

Chair Cllr. Featherstone, Vice Chair Cllr .Beckford,,
Cllr. Cannon,
Cllr Webb, Cllr Barrett

Clerk Linda Price

1.Apologies for Absences Received

Cllr. Stubbs, Cllr Berridge, Cllr Adair

2.Declarations of Interest

None

3.Acceptance of Minutes from JUNE Meeting

Signed and accepted,

4. Public Comments

A Member of the Public wanted to share their frustrations at the recent flooding events and the Parish Council will follow this up again.

5. Electricity Sub Station

A representative from the National Grid (Heather Pynegar)attended regarding the plans for the new substation on the Village Green. We were told of the plans to get an indemnity policy in place as the land is unregistered and then the work can commence in August, The PC voted fully in favour of this and also voted unanimously to let the clerk contact the solicitor and for him to go forward with registering the land to the Parish Council.

6. Solar Farm development (Exagen Presentation)

The council were given a presentation by members of the Exagen Team detailing the plan to have a new solar farm on land at the top of Bunny Old Wood down to Wysall, This development is only at a discussion stage (pre planning) They talked the councillors through the development of the farm and answered questions from them too. Exagen plans also to set up a local community fund for villages to apply for funding on community projects.

Brochures have been left in the Village Church should any one wish to collect one, or they can ask the clerk or the parish councillors for a copy.

They have asked that as many people as possible can fill in their survey at

<https://exagen.co.uk/projects/old-wood-energy-park/>.

or for more information contact them at

oldwoodenergypark@exagen.co.uk

7. County and Borough Reports

Cllr Edyvean told us of Notts County Councils plans to move from County Hall at West Bridgford to a new site at Hucknall.

He also informed us of the local plan of adoption at the Radcliffe Power Station had been approved. This should create jobs in Low Carbon Industries and also lead to the development of the new Freeport on the site.

Cllr Edyvean also discussed the recent planning application on the Former Bunny Brickworks for 110 houses and light industrial estate. This has been turned down as it did not show a 50% split between housing and the industrial units. However, the planning application is sure to be entered again, and we need to continue to lobby Cllr. Adare and Rushcliffe of our objections, especially the dangerous access and road system.

8. Correspondence

Letters from parishioners regarding the parking and other issues on Church Street.- agreed that these issues were again sent to Cllr Adair and a meeting/walk around was to be asked for in order to hear from the villagers first hand and also to show the problems and possible solutions.

NALC newsletter was forwarded detailing free webcasts which are available for the council.

Letter from Via received regarding flood issues (more under Highways)

Defibrillator- update request from National Organisation. Clerk to email the village support.

DDay80 celebrations- Beacons, village festivals next year. To be discussed later in year

9. Clerks Report

Bench- awaiting further information from the parish, to enable a quote to be provided.

Tree Survey- Clerk to get a quote and also to email allotment committee to find out information regarding the trees.

Speeding group to meet in September.

Website- at presently being updated and clerk is waiting to test out booking information for the Village Hall.

Clerk is to request a follow up with Johnson Aggregates as to the visit that was proposed earlier in the year.

10. Finance

All items on the June accounts payable were agreed and signed.

All invoices have been paid, except the first half of the June power by the school insurers.

July payments were agreed as below by the council and will appear on Julys payment list

Octopus Energy £191.83

Bunny and Bradmore charities 816.91 (half buildings insurance VH)

Grasshopper £90.00 (6 months webhosting)

Norton Virus protection £64.99

Microsoft word annual renewal £59.99

Jeff Wilson £100 toilet and handle repairs village VH

The clerk and Cllr Beckford have now received debit cards (agreed previous meeting) and £100 has been received by the council from Natwest re delay on ordering and complaintin service.

The clerk is in the process of reclaiming VAT as she can now access HMRC site.

11. Village Hall

The council has been informed by the school that they will be vacating the building on 21st July. Cllr Featherstone is to check with the school on the 'making good of the hall, when the PC is paid to, for the rent, the provision of new fire doors as agreed at the time of renting and that the PAT testing happens (agreed by the council in full)

Cllr Featherstone asked if the Saxophone group could use the hall on two dates in August and this was agreed by the council in full. The group must be made aware that they are responsible for the leaving of the Village Hall as found.

12. Community

It was agreed that the clerk contacts the website and ask them to look at the downloads of the walks available and to remove the suggestion of parking on Church Street.

13. Planning Applications

23/01241/TPO Keepers cottage – No comments

21/002109/OUT Bunny brickyard – Refused and spoken about earlier under Borough Cllr Edyvean's report.

22/01339/LDO Adoption of Radcliffe on Soar application - approved already and spoken about under Cllr Edyvean's report.

14. Highways/Environment

Grass Cutting in churchyard. - The council unanimously agreed to spend £300 to the contractors to keep the churchyard looking good, and usable. It is an important open space in the village, free to be used by all to walk or sit and reflect. Also, as the hub of the village it needs to look nice for all to enjoy. The clerk is to find out who the contractors are and make contact.

Flooding in Bunny. - it was agreed that the clerk follow up with VIAs response as this was deemed not good enough. She is to copy in all borough and county councillors and also our MP Ruth Edwards

It was also pointed out by Cllr. Barrett that the little curb drains on the A60 were not doing their job and this should be also followed up.

15. Next agenda items

Policies

DD80

Bunny Energy Group.

Meeting finished at 9.01 pm and date of next meeting 21st September in the Village Hall