

BINTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of MEETING that took place on

Thursday, 6th October 2022

Councillors Present: G Frost, R Tooke, C Bone, M Sargent, C Langford

Public Present: G Holmes

60/22 Election of Vice-Chair

Carried over to next meeting

61/22 To receive apologies

Apologies received from Cllr Frost (personal commitments) and Cllr Langford (to attend later due to personal commitments)

62/22 Declarations of interest on items on the agenda and consideration of any requests for dispensations

None received

63/22 To agree the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29th July 2022

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

64/22 To consider advertising for Parish Councillor vacancy

Cllr Sargent suggested we set a date to complete the process. It was agreed that, due to the period of time elapsed since the last advertisement, the PC should readvertise, review and contact previously interested applicants. Advertisements can be placed using the Bintree FB site as well as the notice board. Cllr Sargent suggested that we give interested parties 2 weeks' notice to join us for the November CP meeting to find out what role they would like to take in Village life and make the decision at this meeting. Cllr Tooke suggested we may also find residents in Bintree who are interested in getting involved with the upkeep and/or development the playing field or in forming an events committee.

65/22 Public participation

G Holmes would like to get her status as signatory resolved. Also as she applied for the PC vacancy she is concerned that she has heard nothing and would like a decision to be made soon. She also felt that more initiatives should be actioned and completed. Cllr Sargent was in agreement.

66/22 Finance

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| a. To approve expenditure items | |
| i. Village grass cutting – R Neal | £1668.00 |
| ii. Norton subscription | £ 84.99 |
| iii. Microsoft subscription | £ 59.99 |
| b. Income | |
| i. Parish precept – 2 nd instalment | £2500.00 |

As no paperwork available this item has been carried over to the next meeting.

67/22 To receive an update on the defibrillator project plan

Cllr Langford is following this up and is to contact the organisation to move the initiative on. He will update at the PC at the November meeting. Cllr Sargent requested we set a date for completion.

68/22 Planning applications

- 3PL/2022/0861/F – Proposed detached two storey dwelling with single storey extension to rear
 - No objections

69/22 Highways matters

- **To receive feedback on research into possibility of introducing a public footpath along the path of the old road alongside the A1067 between Bintree and Twyford.**

Cllr Langford will follow up his request to Highways Dept. He suggested setting up a working party from the Village alongside a digger to help clear the existing path. He queried whether we could gain access to the adjacent land to enable this to be accomplished. He also thought that it may require a road closure, for safety reasons, while work close to the roadside is completed.

- **To consider speed limit through the village and additional signage around the playing field.**

Cllr Bone will follow up his previous request to Highways dept on the best ways to reduce speeding and traffic through the village.

70/22 Village events

- **To discuss ideas and suggestions received for future events.**

The list of possible events sent in for consideration from M. Van Beuningen included many excellent ideas, many also suggested previously at the first coffee morning by other Bintree residents. It was agreed that the PC would welcome her using the coffee morning to present any talks or sessions and this may encourage other residents who may like to do the similar.

Cllrs in agreement on the creation of an Events Team. G. Holmes put forward that the events continue to be led by PC until more people feel able to take a role in these potential activities.

- **Next coffee morning proposed for 22nd October**

It was agreed that the next coffee morning will be on **22nd October**. Cllr Langford queried if we would have time to advertise it. Cllr Langford and Cllr Tooke agreed that it will be advertised on the Bintree FB site and on the village notice board and that flyers will be distributed asap.

71/22 Correspondence

- **Bintree Relief in Need**

All councillors are in agreement that there should be a joint meeting to discuss the appointments of trustees to the BRIN charity before spending money on legal advice. Cllr Sargent suggested that other charities do not use this method of appointing Trustees. Cllr Langford replied that it was done this way to avoid mismanagement and felt that the PC should have a role in electing new Trustees. Cllr Sargent was of the opinion that Cllr Langford should not be present at this discussion as it constituted a conflict of interest and he chose to leave the meeting.

72/22 To receive any items for inclusion on the next agenda

- Election of Vice Chair
- Finance to be agreed

- To receive an update from Cllr Langford on the defibrillator project
- To receive an update from Cllr Langford on footpath beside A1067 project
- To receive update from Cllr Bone on the Gvt initiative on trees around the village.
- To receive update from Cllr Bone on Village speed initiative
- To determine if fourth Thursday every other month for PC meetings is suitable

73/22 Date of next meeting

Thursday, 24th November