**BADINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Held on Thursday April 6th 2017 at 7.30pm**

 **at Badingham Village Hall**

Reports from District & County Councillors, and questions from members of public: -

Duration time maximum 20 minutes - 3 minutes per person.

2 members of Public

Council members considered and agreed Item 9 to replace Item 14 to be heard under Confidential Session.

**1 PRESENT APOLOGIES**

 Cllr S Frost - Chair

 Cllr L McQuade- Vice Chair

 Cllr R Welham

 Cllr T Barber

 Cllr S Osborne

 Mrs Sue Piggott – Clerk

**2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Cllr R.Welham – Village Hall Committee

**3 MINUTES OF MEETING: Jan 26th 2017 & 23rd February 2017- Approve & Sign**

The minutes were agreed and signed.

**4 MATTERS TO REPORT FROM ACTIONS OF LAST MEETING**

 The Clerk submitted the Echo Parish Council insert with the addition of a piece requesting that dog owners consider acting responsibly in regard to the increase of dog fouling in the village and footpaths. The Clerk sent a letter to each of the resigned Councillors thanking them for their time and efforts that they gave to the Parish Council. The Clerk included in the Echo Parish Council insert details for the Annual Parish Meeting scheduled for April 21st.

 The Clerk contacted the Queens Paegent Master and registered Badingham to take part in the Beacon event on 11th November 2018 to commemorate the 100th anniversary end of WWI.

**5 FINANCE – To Approve Financial Statement**

 **To consider a request for funding from Badingham Café/Shop**

 The Financial Statement was considered and agreed. Consideration was given to

 the letter requesting funding from Badingham Café/Shop. The Council agreed that they were bound by the new requirement to hold a Grant Funding policy and application process, it was agreed that the documents necessary had been considered, the Chair proposed to Adopt the Grant Funding policy, Cllr McQuade –seconded and all members agreed. The Council considered that their funds were very low and that contingency for unexpected circumstances were necessary. The Clerk was asked to send the Café/Shop an Application form to request funds, and to place the forms and policy on the website and advertise in the Echo. **SP**

**6 POCKET PARK – Cllr R Welham**

The grass cutting and maintenance is underway for this season. Families are now using the park and equipment more. The Chair requested a plan and record of the works that take place throughout the year.  **RW**

**7 PLANNING**

 **Application - DC/17/0912/FUL - Proposal:** Two storey side and single storey rear extensions with 2 bay cart lodge - Mill View, Mill Road, Badingham

 Council members considered the application and agreed on a response of Support. **SP**

 **Application – DC/17/1156/FUL – Proposal:** Two storey extension to existing property – new lounge/utility room and en-suite bedroom – Clover Lea, Pound Green Rd, Badingham.

 Council members considered the application and agreed on a response of Support. **SP**

**8 HIGHWAYS**

Councillors have received complaints with regard to the continuing roadside parking at the junction and along Low Street alongside the White Horse Pub. The Council has done all that it can by putting pressure onto Suffolk County Council, and must remind all those in the village to log their complaint directly with SCC Highways.

**9 VILLAGE HALL**

**Any progress to report on legal positon of Village Hall ownership and constitution.**

To be discussed under Confidential Session as Item 14

**10 DENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER-** Contribution request

 The Chair will forward the e.mail to the Clerk **SF**

**11 BENCH SITE –TREE SAFETY**

Council members agreed that the Tree overhanging the A1120 opposite the White Horse should be assessed and made safe if necessary. It was agreed that Cllr Barber meet with SCDC Tree Officer Mr N Newton to seek advice**. TB**

**12 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

 Cllr Welham will forward the Grid References for the Footpaths to the Clerk and confirm which signs need to be replaced. **RW**

**13 EMERGENCY PLAN**

Council members agreed that the Emergency Planning for the Village and call for volunteers to form a telephone tree will be advertised at the Annual Parish meeting.

The meeting moved into Confidential Session for Item 14

**14 VILLAGE HALL**

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**15 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

**16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Annual Parish – Friday April 21st**-**The Queen’s Birthday theme refreshments will be arranged – a cap of £100 was agreed by Council members.

Annual Parish Council Meeting – 4th May TBC

Meeting Closed – 9.25m

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Chair Date