

Berkswell Parish Council – Extraordinary meeting 23rd August 2018

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council of Berkswell held in the Balsall & Berkswell Hornets Clubhouse, Lavender Hall Lane, Berkswell on 23rd August 2018 at 7:30 pm.

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<p>1. Evacuation Procedure – the Chairman instructed those in attendance of the evacuation procedure</p> <p>2. Recording of Parish Council Meetings – the chairman instructed those in attendance that, in the interests of openness and transparency, councillors and members of the public are reminded that the law permits any person to film, record, photograph or use social media in order to report on the proceedings of a meeting of the Council or its committees when they are open to the public.</p> <p>3. Attendance: Cllrs Drake, Edwards, Lloyd, & Hitchcock and the Parish Clerk plus 1 member of the public.</p> <p>4. Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Burrow, Howles & Cambage</p> <p>5. Declarations of Interest - none</p> <p>6. Open Forum Parishioners of Berkswell, and others at the discretion of the Chairman, were invited to address the Council on any relevant matter for a maximum of three minutes. Cllr Hitchcock took this opportunity to report that he has written a report (handed to the Clerk to circulate to Cllrs) based on the ACC Meeting held on 16 August 2018. Also, Cllr Hitchcock handed the Clerk the latest Marsh Lane Nature Reserve newsletter for archive, Finally, Cllr Hitchcock reported that he had received a complaint from a resident about parking on Marsh Lane. It was agreed to put this item on next month’s agenda.</p> <p>7. Pegasus Response to NDP Consultation – Council discussed the proposed response to Pegasus (Richard Brown Planning Limited) to their Regulation 14 consultation response. Cllr Drake had circulated a draft response letter to aid discussion. Councillors went through the draft line by line and amendments were agreed. The Clerk was asked to prepare a revised draft reflecting the agreed changes and circulate to attendees early next week with a view to sending the letter to Richard Brown early in September.</p> <p>8. Planning Applications a) The following list of planning applications received since the last meeting were considered. Councillors noted that the consultation period on the first 3 applications had expired.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>																
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2018/02182	Roundabout At Spencers Lane/ B4104 Tanners Lane Junction Carol Green Solihull	Three identical, non-illuminated signs measuring 1200mm wide x 500mm high, fixed into the ground using galvanised aluminium posts (2 per sign) with the distance between the ground and the bottom of the sign being approximately 500mm. Posts will be fixed into the ground to a depth of approximately 500mm using postcrete. Each sign will be installed facing an entrance to the roundabout and not conflict with any existing highways street furniture.	24.08.18	
2018/02183	Roundabout At A452 Kenilworth Road/ A4177 Meer End Road Junction Meer End Solihull	Four identical, non-illuminated signs measuring 1500mm wide x 500mm high, fixed into the ground using galvanised aluminium posts (2 per sign) with the distance between the ground and the bottom of the sign being approximately 500mm. Posts will be fixed into the ground to a depth of approximately 500mm using postcrete. Each sign will be installed facing an entrance to the roundabout and not conflict with any existing highways street furniture.	24.08.18	
2018/02304	North East Of Kenilworth Greenway Disused Railway Line/ West Of Beechwood Farm Complex Hodgetts Lane Berkswell Solihull	Development authorised by the High Speed Rail (London- West Midlands) Act 2017 relating to Ecological mitigation (creation of three ponds and associated reptile basking bank)	31.08.18	
2018/02164	Moat Farm Benton Green Lane Berkswell Solihull	Removal of existing conservatory, build new ground floor extension to provide additional living space to ground floor only with an approximate plan size of 10m x 4.5m and floor area not exceeding the maximum 40% permissible.	07.09.18	
2018/01961 –it was agreed to register a concern that there was no detailed information (e.g. TPO number) supporting this application				Clerk
2018/02065 – no comment				
2018/02118 – no comment				
2018/02182 – It was agreed to object to the size, scale, inappropriateness and intrusiveness of the signs which could also be a distraction to drivers. Council commented that these roundabouts are already looked after by local residents as attractive local features. It is also at odds with SMBCs ‘declutter’ policy, POLICY P15 Securing Design Quality - ... Creates attractive, safe, active, legible and uncluttered streets and public spaces . . .				
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2018/02164 – No objection but the Council requests that, as this is such an important old building, the site be inspected to preserve possible archaeology/artifacts. The whole site is listed as archaeological monument, MSI 4754 in the Historic Environment Record. The site is a listed archaeological monument (MSI 4754) and as such, the requirements of clause 189 of the NPPF must be applied. We are concerned that the requirements haven't been applied.	Clerk																				
<p>9. Financial Matters</p>																					
<p>a. Council approved the following invoice payments presented for approval having been examined, verified and certified by the RFO to confirm that the work, goods or services to which each invoice relates has been received, carried out, examined and represents expenditure previously approved by the Council</p>																					
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<p>In addition to the above, Council noted the following emergency payments made on 13 August 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICSPrint – NDP printing for NDP Committee meeting – cheque no 002112 for £225.00 • RD Wilson – clerk’s August - cheque no 002113 for £656.57 <p>b. Payments received - Council noted that a VAT refund for £7,864.06 has been received from HMRC</p>																					
<p>10. Next Meeting Ordinary Meeting of the Council, 13 September 2018 at 7.15pm in the Jordan Room, St John Baptist Church, Berkswell.</p>																					