

## Bagnall Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 12 August 2008 Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall

#### Present

Cllr Dave Pearson (Chair)  
Cllr Andrew Batson

Cllr Peter Adams  
Cllr Frank Hayes

#### In Attendance:

Denise Cooper (Minute Clerk)  
5 Members of the public

#### 08.73 Apologies

Cllr Peter Lawley  
Cllr Sybil Ralphs  
Cllr Ken Simpson

Other commitments  
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#### 08.74 Minutes of Meeting held on 8 July 2008

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

#### 08.75 Matters Arising not on agenda

##### 08.44 – Bagnall Heights

With regards to the three trees that were removed during the installation of the footway in School Road, Cllr Pearson has written to Staffordshire County Council. The trees were identified in the works to be removed. No permission was necessary for their removal as the planning permission conditions implicitly authorised the works, over-riding their removal within the conservation area, even had they had TPOs.

Cllr Pearson has encountered some difficulties in obtaining a copy of the contract between Bagnall Heights and their contractors and therefore made contact with Staffordshire County Council, their email response was read out. Cllr Batson agreed that the provision of a shelter was part of the S.111 agreement and we should therefore insist that the contractors comply with these implicit instructions. Cllr Batson was asked to write to Bagnall Heights requesting their compliance with the S.111 directives and either return or replace the shelter.

Concerns were raised that whilst we pursued this approach, local residents could be waiting for the bus in inclement weather with no shelter. However, it was decided that should the Parish Council re-instate the shelter it would send out the wrong signals to the contractors and for this reason it was agreed not to continue with our application for funding from the Local Member Initiative Scheme.

##### 08.70 – Future of the Playing Fields

Cllr Hayes advised that he had approach the solicitor who had assisted in the formation of the original lease and posed the question of the formation of a trusteeship, asking how legally binding this would be once the lease was transferred. Also do we need to appoint trustees now or at some future point? We await the solicitor's response.

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**Section Open to the Public**

Further concerns were raised around the designation of Footpath 32, the registration of a strip of land down the side of this, and the tipping that is taking place. Cllr Pearson advised that a representative from Staffordshire County Council has been asked to undertake a site visit with Cllr Ralphs following which a report will be made available to the Parish Council. This will form an agenda item at the next meeting.

Concerns were also expressed that the new footway around the Bagnall Heights development pushed horse riders out into the road. Residents were advised that the footway was in accordance with the specifications stipulated by Staffordshire County Council.

**08.76 Finance issues**

Invoice has been received from Jackson Nurseries for the months of June and July in the total of ££820.76. Payment was agreed.

Mrs Cooper submitted her invoice for £50.00 for minute taking in August. Payment was agreed.

**08.77 Planning Applications**

**Planning applications have been received for**

- Houghwood Cottage Farm, Stanley, Stockton Brook  
Conversion of garage and outbuildings to form residential annex

This application was supported.

- Land adjacent to The Gables, Stanley Road, Stockton Brook  
Erection of two storey dwelling (outline)

This application was supported with the clause that the hedge around the perimeter be cut back to assist visibility at the Stanley Road/Clewlows Bank junction and reduced in height.

- Endon Cricket Club, Post Lane, Endon  
Variation of a Club Premises Certificate Application under the Licensing Act 2003

This application was supported.

**08.78 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues**

**06.49(ii) – Well on Thorney Edge Lane**

Cllr Pearson is to submit a letter supporting our claim for grant monies to take forward the re-instatement of the well.

**08.24 – Seats within the village**

The damage to the seat has now been repaired again.

**08.68(ii) – Fire Basket**

This has now been taken down will be put into storage once a site has been identified.

**08.78 – Road Drainage**

Water is sitting on the road in a number of locations. Cllr Batson will report these to CLARENCE.

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**08.79 Environmental Issues**

There were no environmental issues raised.

**08.80 Correspondence**

- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Notification of a consultation for the Core Strategy Draft Preferred Options as part of the Local Development Framework
- Staffordshire County Council – Review of contracted local bus services in Staffordshire Moorlands
- Staffordshire County Council - Review of speed Limited on Bagnall Road. Notification of a consultation to implement a 40mph limit on the stretch of road opposite Bagnall Heights.
- A Guide to becoming a Quality Council – second edition 2008

**08.81 Any Other Business**

- There was no other business raised.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

Signed .....(Chairman)

Date: 9 September 2008

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13 August 2008