

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BINLEY WOODS PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE MORRISON ROOM, VILLAGE HALL, RUGBY ROAD, BINLEY WOODS ON 21st JUNE 2023

PRESENT: Councillors P Salisbury, Mrs E French, S Roberts, N Brinton, D Jones, Mrs E Johnson, Mrs L Harbour and Mrs P Docker. Borough/County Councillor Timms was also in attendance

**Minute
Number**

23-24/31 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were 4 members of the Public present.

1. A resident addressed the meeting in respect of parking problems in Woodlands Court. County Councillor Timms was aware of the situation and agreed to assist the resident and others in Woodlands Court.
2. A resident asked about progress on the matter of damage to highways and drains and Planning matters. County/Borough Councillor Timms confirmed that she would keep the resident fully up to date.
3. A resident addressed the meeting in respect of the state of Abbots Walk, which is a private road. It was apparent that this was a matter between residents and therefore the Parish Council could not get involved. County Councillor Timms agreed to assist the resident in respect of the process of applying for the road to be adopted.
4. Mr Jeff Davies addressed the meeting regarding the proposals to redevelop Coventry Stadium. Planning Permission had been refused and the applicant had appealed against the refusal to the Secretary of State. The Chairman informed Mr Davies that the Parish Council had received notice of the appeal, the contents of which would be considered later in the meeting.

23-24/32 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G. Dunn (unwell).

No financial interests were declared

23-24/33 MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS, DECISIONS TAKEN OUT OF MEETINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2023 were agreed as a true record and were to be signed by the Chairman.

No decisions were taken out of meeting: -

23-24/34 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ARISING ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

There were no matters arising.

23-24/35 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence other than that which had been circulated by the Clerk by email.

23-24/36 ACCOUNTS, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL

Accounts

The following accounts were paid out of meeting

Valda Energy – Pavilion - £102.43
E.on - Street Light Repair - £432.39
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Perennial – Grass Cutting - £1,038.00
Npower – Street Lighting - £757.37
BT – Village Hall - £45.26
E.on – Quarterly Maintenance - £1,163.40

The following accounts were submitted for payment: -

Valda Energy – Pavilion - £76.15
E.on – Street Light Repair - £432.79
J. Cook – Salary and Expenses – June - £517.89
HM Revenue and Customs – PAYE on Clerk's salary - £107.80

Financial Management

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had forwarded the Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statement for the year 2022/23 to the External Auditor.

23-24/37 REPORTS

Police; Community Alert

There were no police matters to report. Councillor Roberts informed the CPR session was to take place on 1st July 2023. IT WAS AGREED THAT the Parish Council make a donation of £100.00 to Coventry First Responders.

Borough/County Councillor's Report – Councillor Timms reported on matters generally.

Primary School – The Chairman reported on a meeting and a site visit which had taken place with the Head Teacher regarding dangerous parking particularly but not exclusively in the turning area outside the school entrance. The Chairman had referred the matter to Warwickshire County Council as a formal complaint with suggestions to alleviate the problems.

Youth Club – Councillor Mrs Harbour reported on matters generally.

Football Clubs – The Clerk circulated an email from AFC Woods requesting the use of the Football Pitch and Pavilion for the 2023/24 season. IT WAS AGREED THAT the Football Club be granted continued use at a cost of £400.00, with a review of the costs to be undertaken in 2024

Village Hall – Councillors Mrs Docker and Mrs Johnson reported on matters generally.

Bus Services – Councillor Mrs Harbour reported on the continued problems with Stagecoach.

23-24/38 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Application - 34 Heather Road – Garage conversion, rear single storey and dormer extensions - IT WAS AGREED THAT no objections be raised subject to Statutory and Neighbour consultations

Appeal against refusal of Planning Permission – Coventry Stadium, Rugby Road, Brandon – The Clerk circulated a letter informing the Parish Council that an appeal had been lodged to the Secretary of State against Rugby Borough Council's decision to grant consent. The Parish Council's objection to the proposal was lodged at the application stage and had been forwarded to the Secretary of State by Rugby Borough Council. The Clerk agreed to contact the Planning Inspectorate to confirm that the Parish Council's objection should be taken into consideration.

Garden of Peace. The Chairman reported on a meeting he had with an official of The Church in Binley Woods, after which he sought guidance for scattering ashes on Council land. The reply from RBC was '**Permission should be sought for all scatterings from the land owner, who has the right to agree or refuse. If the land owner agrees, a register must be kept with all details recorded**'. Binley Woods Parish Council have previously taken the decision that scatterings were not acceptable on public land and all requests will be refused.

23-24/39 LOCAL PLAN/NEWSLETTER

Local Plan – There were no matters to report.

Newsletter – The Chairman reported that he was in the process of producing the next Newsletter.

23-24/40 MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACES

IN THE VILLAGE

Recreation Ground – The Chairman informed the meeting that he had requested a donation of £750.00 from the Borough Councillor's fund for trees and bulbs to be planted in September 2023.

Highway Verges – There were no matters to report.

Litter and Dog Litter – There were no matters to report.

Trees/Tree Planting – Councillor Roberts informed the meeting that tree outside 15 Birchwood Road was in need of pruning. He agreed to meet with the Chairman to carry out the necessary sympathetic pruning. The Chairman informed the meeting that he had received 2 quotes for tree trimming and would apply for a third one and report back in due course

23-24/41 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

Highway repair and maintenance - There were no matters to report.

Pedestrian Rights of Way – There were no matters to report.

Street Lighting - There were no matters to report.

Hedge Maintenance – There were no matters to report.

23-24/42 WISH LIST

There were no matters to report.

23-24/43 REVIEW OF ACTION LIST NOT ELSEWHERE CONSIDERED

The Action List was reviewed and a revised Action List is attached to these minutes.

23-24/44 NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 19th July 2023.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

CHAIRMAN

	Action List		Name	Complete
1	Monitor street light repairs		PD, EF	
2	Obtain third quote for tree pruning		PS	
2	Keep Parish Council informed of progress of various enforcement Issues		Cllr Timms	
3	Contact Planning Inspectorate to re-iterate objection to Coventry Stadium redevelopment		Clerk	
4	Monitor situation in respect of cars parking on highway verges		DJ	
5	Monitor repairs to potholes		All	
6	Contact Warwickshire Police to request notes of the issue of parking outside Woodlands Road Shops following the EVA		PS	
7	Application to Green Shoots Community Climate Change Fund		EF	
8	Signs for Dogs to be kept under control in the Recreation Ground		PS, EF	
9	Inspect the trees in the Village to ascertain how many had died and were in need of replacing		PS, NB & GD	
10	Monitor situation dangerous parking outside the Primary School		PS	
11	Obtain third quote for tree trimming		PS	