

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BINLEY WOODS PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE MORRISON ROOM, VILLAGE HALL, RUGBY ROAD, BINLEY WOODS ON 21ST FEBRUARY 2024

PRESENT: Councillors P Salisbury, Mrs L Harbour, Mrs E French, N Brinton, S Roberts, D Jones, Mrs E Johnson and Mrs P Docker.

**Minute
Number**

23-24/128 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were 2 members of the Public present. A Representative from the Coventry Speedway Support Group addressed the meeting of the Public Local Inquiry when the Inspector refused the appeal against the refusal by Rugby Borough Council for Planning Permission for residential development at the Speedway site. He thanked the Parish Council for its support and outlined the hopes for the future restoration of the Stadium and introduction of Speedway and Stock Car events

23-24/129 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

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

No financial interests were declared.

23-24/131 MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS, DECISIONS TAKEN OUT OF MEETINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2024 were agreed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

There were no decisions taken out of meeting: -

23-24/132 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ARISING ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

The Chairman reported that the 4 new Notice Boards had been delivered and were now installed.

23-24/133 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had circulated general correspondence by email.

23-24/134 ACCOUNTS, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL

Accounts

The following accounts were paid out of meeting

Valda Energy – Pavilion - £140.66
P. Salisbury – Notice Board Fittings - £83.14
Notice Board Company – 4 New Boards - £3,761.52
Anglian Windows – Village Hall - £1,970.00
Village Hall Committee – Room Hire 2023/24 - £160.00
BT – Village Hall - £45.26
BT – Parish Council - £104.61

The following accounts were submitted for payment: -

Valda Energy – Pavilion - £140.66
E.on – Street Light Repair – PL171 Heather Road - £432.79
E.on – Street Light Repair – PL7 Norman Ashman Coppice - £432.79
J. Cook – Salary and Expenses – February - £540.00
HM Revenue and Customs – PAYE on Clerk's salary - £117.00

Financial Management

Precept 2024/25 – The Clerk confirmed that request for £54,000.00 Precept had been submitted to Rugby Borough Council.

23-24/135 REPORTS

Police; Community Alert

Councillor Roberts reported on matters generally, specifically on parking problems. He informed the meeting that one car had been towed away and numerous tickets issued. He informed the meeting with the Police and other Parish Councils would be held at Wolston instead of Ryton.

Borough/County Councillor's Report – In the absence of Councillor Timms there was no report.

Primary School – There were no matters to report.

Youth Club – There were no matters to report.

Football Clubs – There were no matters to report.

Village Hall – Councillor Mrs Docker reported on matters generally. The Chairman reported that the Village Hall Committee had ordered a projector and 2 pull down screens which had been funded from the Councillors Fund

Bus Services – Councillor Mrs Harbour reported on the continued matter of Bus

Service cancellations and delays.

23-24/136 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

The following Planning Applications had been received

105 Broad Street RFC, Rugby Road – Prior approval for lattice tower and associated works – The Application was duly noted

33 Craven Avenue – Proposed extension to front porch - IT WAS AGREED THAT an objection be raised on the ground that insufficient details had been received until more details were supplied from Rugby Borough Council in respect of the dimensions of the “outbuilding”

Local Plan – There were no matters to report.

23-24/137 NEWSLETTER

Newsletter – The Chairman reported that he and Councillor Roberts had agreed the contents of a Newsletter which would now go to print.

23-24/138 MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACES IN THE VILLAGE

Recreation Ground – There were no matters to report.

Highway Verges – There were no matters to report.

Village Green – There were no matters to report.

Allotment Gardens – The Chairman read out a request from the Allotments Association for funding the resurfacing the Woodlands Road access to the Allotment Gardens. Councillors Mrs Docker and Mrs Johnson declared an interest in this matter and took no part in the vote. Three quotations had been received and IT WAS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR ROBERTS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRINTON THAT the Parish Council accept the quotation from Walsgrave Contractors in the sum of £1,860.00 plus VAT and pay for the works in its entirety. There were no amendments to the proposal which was put to the vote and carried unanimously. Councillor Mrs Docker agreed to inform the Allotments Association of the Parish Council’s decision and request that the invoice for payment should be made payable by Binley Woods Parish Council and sent to the Clerk.

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

Trees/Tree Planting – There were no matters to report.

23-24/139 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

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

Pedestrian Rights of Way Councillor Roberts informed the meeting that a tree in Abbots walk was overgrown to the extent that it was completely blocking the light to the public footpath. The Clerk agreed to contact Councillor Mrs Timms to request that the tree be pruned back

Street Lighting – There were no matters to report.

Hedge Maintenance – There were no matters to report.

23-24/140 WISH LIST

There were no matters to report.

23-24/141 FRIENDS OF BRANDON WOOD - Councillor Jones reported on the first meeting which he attended as the Parish Council's representative and IT WAS AGREED THAT this matter be included as an item on future Agendae.

23-24/142 REVIEW OF ACTION LIST NOT ELSEWHERE CONSIDERED

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

23-24/143 NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 20th March 2024.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

CHAIRMAN

	Action List		Name	Complete
1	Monitor street light repairs		PD, EF	
2	Proceed to arrange printing of Newsletter		SR,PS	
3	Keep Parish Council informed of progress of various enforcement Issues		Cllr Timms	
4	Monitor situation dangerous parking outside the Primary School		PS	
5	Monitor situation in respect of cars parking on highway verges		DJ	
6	Monitor repairs to potholes		All	
7	Inform Allotments Association of Parish Council's decision to fund the resurfacing of the entrance to the Allotments Site at Woodlands Road and ensure that the Invoice is made out to Binley Woods Parish Council		PD	
8	Add Friends of Brandon Wood on future Agendae		Clerk	
9	Contact Councillor Mrs Timms to request cutting back the overhanging tree in Abbots Walk which was blocking the light.		Clerk	
10	Ensure attendance of Parish Councillors at the meeting with Warwickshire Police at Wolston on 15th April 2024		All	