BADGERS MOUNT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Badgers Mount Parish Council held on Thursday 4th March 2021 at 7.30pm. via Zoom online video conferencing as permitted by the virtual meetings regulations.

Tracey McCartney is the acting Clerk for the purpose of minute taking at this meeting.

The meeting opened at 7.35 pm.

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Geoff Dessent, Parish Clerk.
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

No meeting minutes available. These will be approved at a subsequent meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSIBLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS:

None received.

4. PUBLIC SESSION:

Nothing reported.

5. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

Our County Councillor Nick Chard is standing for re-election in May 2021. It was agreed that in future Nick Chard (or his successor) will be added to the Agenda circulation list.

John Grint, District Councillor has nothing to report that is not covered elsewhere on the Agenda.

- 6. FINANCE AND STAFFING:
 - 6.1 Accounts approved for payment as prepared and attached to these Minutes. Cllr Lake proposed and Cllr Dunlop seconded that these be approved.
 - $6.2\,$ End of February Bank reconciliations Councillor Plumb produced these and they will be signed off by the Chairman on 5^{th} March 2021.
 - 6.3 Clerk Our Clerk is now undertaking two months of compassionate leave from 4th March 2021. This expires on 4th May 2021. The Parish telephone and other essential items will be handed back to give to the temporary locum Clerk appointed in his absence. Zoe Brookman, Clerk to the Knockholt Parish Council will take on this role temporarily.

Resolved: Agreement to approve the appointment of the temporary clerk to take place at next meeting.

6.4 Clerks laptop computer – It was approved to purchase a new laptop.

Resolved: Cllr McCartney will undertake purchase and set up.

7. CHAIRMANS REPORT:

Nothing further report.

8. CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE:

Email received relating to Community Led housing meeting – Cllr Dunlop will attend.

Email received relating to Parish Council meeting with KCC Highways Assets Manager. Cllr Grint will attend the meeting.

Email received in relation to secure external storage for Parish Council paperwork. Circulated to all Councillors. To be put on the 4th April 2021 agenda for consideration.

SDC Member's update (via Philip McGarvey) to be forwarded to all Councillors by the Clerk in the future.

9. PLANNING:

- 9.1 Planning Applications for PC decision
 - a) None as of 27/2/2021
- 9.2 Planning appeals and correspondence
 - a) Works at Wheatsheaf Hill ongoing concerns with the works on the site and the debris on Wheatsheaf Hill. Badgers Mount PC is liaising with Halstead PC on this matter and other agencies involved.
 - b) Chevening House planning application PC comments submitted to SDC. A complaint was lodged with SDC over fact that BMPC was not consulted in relation to the matter.
 - c) Selworthy, Badgers Road Appeal for new dwelling dismissed by Planning Inspectorate.

10. AMENTIES / PROJECTS:

10.1 Road salt and bins – Cllr Plumb replenished the salt bins after the recent spell of snow. Two extra bins to be purchased for placing half way up Badgers Road and at the junction of Sandersons/Christies Avenue. Bins and salt supply for next winter to be purchased. Agreement to purchase bins for Crest Close footpath and adjacent to the memorial hall car park/highland road.

Resolved: purchase of 4 further bins and salt supply.

- 10.2 Hanging baskets Cllr McCartney will enquire about the possible cost of this in the community and report back at the next meeting.
- 10.3 Community newsletter first draft sent to Councillors. Further items to be added before sending out to community in mid-March.

11. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:

18th March 2021 – Planning meeting and/or Neighbourhood Plan meeting (if required)

1st April 2021 - Council Meeting

The meeting closed at 21.33 pm

Accounts for payment – March 4th 2021 - Badgers Mount Parish Council Receipts – None

Main Parish Account

Cheque Number or EP	Amount (£) Gross inc VAT	Payee	Description	VAT (£)
EP	335.44	Mr G H Dessent	Clerk's February pay, which includes NP Co- ords pay.	N/A
EP	119.11	HMRC	Tax/NI for February	N/A

NP Account

Receipts - None

Cheque Am	nount (£)	Payee	Description	VAT (£)
Number or EP Gro	oss inc VAT	-	-	
EP 2,64	640.00	ONeill Homer	Preliminary community hub study	440.00