

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE MORRISON ROOM, VILLAGE HALL, BINLEY WOODS on WEDNESDAY 21st MARCH 2012

PRESENT: Councillors P Salisbury, D Jones, P Howells, P Claisse, K Short, N Brinton, Mrs E Johnson and Mrs P Docker. Borough/County Councillor Mrs H Timms was also in attendance.

Question Time

The meeting was attended by 5 members of the public who raised questions on the following: -

1. Marketing of the site of Binley Woods Library – The Chairman and County Councillor Mrs Timms informed the residents of the present situation.
2. Enclosure of highway verges into garden land - The Chairman informed the residents of the present situation.
3. Queen’s Diamond Jubilee – Provision of mementoes for school children – The Chairman thanked the resident for her suggestion and informed the residents this matter would be discussed at the meeting.

Minute Number

11-12/125 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR

The Chairman informed the meeting that Councillor K Crawley had resigned following his leaving the area. The Chairman informed the meeting that the resignation took immediate effect. The Clerk agreed to write to Mr Crawley thanking him for his service during his time in office.

11-12/126 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs L Harbour Borough Councillor D Poole and Borough Councillor T Day.

No financial interests were declared

11-12/127 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING, DECISIONS TAKEN OUT OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2012 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman reported on a decision of an Urgency Sub Committee confirming the Parish Council would hire a skip to remove 8 sheets of

corrugated asbestos at the old garage at the Recreation Ground. The decision of the Urgency Sub Committee was ratified.

11-12/128 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ARISING ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

There were no matters arising from the last minutes not elsewhere on the agenda.

11-12/129 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Queens Diamond Jubilee - The Clerk circulated an email from a local resident. IT WAS AGREED THAT Councillors Mrs Johnson and Mrs Docker would form a Working Party to bring forward ideas in which the Parish Council could organise a celebration and also to investigate the possibility of the provision of mementoes for school children.

Withdrawal of last bus on 86 route - The Clerk circulated an email which had been received from Stagecoach, which was duly noted.

11-12/130 ACCOUNTS, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL

Accounts - The following accounts were submitted for payment: -

Air Ambulance Service – Donation - £250.00
BT – Telephone Bill - £54.34
Potters – Skip Hire – Allotments - £132.00
Potters – Skip Hire – Recreation Ground - £132.00

The above accounts were paid out of meeting

DJ Whitlock – Trees - £1,890.00
Village Hall Committee – Room Hire – Parish Plan meetings- £39.00
J Cook - Clerk's salary and expenses – March - £376.81
HM Revenue and Customs – PAYE on Clerk's salary - £78.20
E.On – Quarterly Maintenance - £808.97
P G Salisbury – New kettle for Pavilion - £19.97
P G Salisbury – Skip Hire - £192.00
Vivien Wood – Parish Plan expenses - £12.94
Zoom Digital Print – Newsletter - £50.00
Zoom Digital Print – Parish Plan Newsletter - £50.00
Zoom Digital Print – Insert for Parish Plan Newsletter - £20.00

Financial matters – There were no financial matters to report.

Newsletter – Councillor Short informed the meeting that the most recent Newsletter had circulated.

11-12/131 REPORTS

Police; Neighbourhood Watch

The Clerk circulated the most recent crime figures had been received from PCSO Kenneth Wyer, which were duly noted. There were no Neighbourhood Watch matters to report.

Borough Councillor's Report – Borough Councillor Timms reported on matters generally, making particular reference to Rural broadband.

County Councillor's Report – Following the erection of “For Sale/To Let” signs at the Library, County Councillor Timms informed the meeting that the site was not to be marketed until the results of the Housing Needs Survey had been received. She also reported that the Parish Council would receive written confirmation of this from the Head of Services.

WCC Area Committee; Earl Craven Locality Panel – The Chairman reported on the most recent meeting of the Earl Craven Locality Panel.

Primary School; Youth Club; Football Clubs, Village Hall, Library –

There were no Primary School matters to report.

The Football Club requested that grass seed be supplied for areas of the recreation ground and it was agreed that the Chairman investigate a supplier.

The Clerk circulated a request from the Village Hall Committee seeking financial assistance in the provision of broadband and wi-fi at the Village Hall. Councillor Short declared an interest in this matter and took no part in the discussion. IT WAS PROPOSED BY Councillor Mrs Docker and SECONDED BY Councillor Claisse that a donation of £216.00 plus VAT be made to the Village Hall Committee to cover the cost of the broadband, with the Village Hall Committee continuing to pay the line rental. The Chairman asked if there were any amendments to the proposal. Concerns were expressed that the Village Hall Committee may consider taking out the telephone completely as it was losing money. An AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSAL was made by Councillor Jones and SECONDED BY Councillor Brinton that a donation of £348.03 plus VAT be made to the Village Hall Committee to cover the cost of both the line rental and broadband for a twelve month period, which would be reviewed after this time. The amendment was put to the vote and carried unanimously. Councillor Short rejoined the meeting. The Clerk circulated a letter of thanks which had been received from the Village Hall Committee, which was duly noted

It was reported that the new Youth Project Group would enter into a peppercorn rent with Warwickshire County Council in respect of the Youth Club building. Library matters were dealt with in the County Councillors report referred to above.

11-12/132 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

The following planning application had been received

58 Rugby Road – Erection of two detached dwellings – IT WAS AGREED THAT an objection be raised on the grounds that the proposal was over-development, had restricted access and would have an adverse impact on adjoining houses.

153a Rugby Road – Erection of front porch and a single storey side extension – IT WAS AGREED THAT the Parish Council raise no objection subject to normal neighbour consultations.

11-12/133 PARISH PLAN/SHELTERED HOUSING

Councillor Short presented a report on the present position which was duly noted. He also reported on recent meetings and reminded Councillors of future meetings and the open day.

11-12/134 MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACES IN THE VILLAGE

Recreation Ground –The Chairman informed the meeting that the application to WREN for match funding had been submitted.

Village Green – There were no further matters to report.

Allotment Gardens – The Chairman reported that the skip had been provided for the Allotments Association.

Remembrance Garden Initiative – There were no further matters to report.

Highway Verges – There were no further matters to report.

Litter and Dog Litter – The Clerk circulated correspondence which been received from the Dog Warden at Rugby Borough Council, together with a supply of Report Forms.

Tree Planting – Councillor Claisse reported on the current position.

11-12/135 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

Highway repair and maintenance – County Councillor Timms informed the meeting that she would investigate the possibility of a letter drop to all residents in the village were parking on highway verges was a problem.

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

Street Lighting – The Clerk informed the meeting of the present position in relation to the possibility of switching alternate lights off from midnight to 5am, and at what reduction in costs.

Hedge Maintenance – There were no matters to report.

Bus Services – There were no matters to report.

11-12/136 PARISH MAP

The Chairman informed the meeting that he had been invited to meet a local artist with a view to commissioning a Parish Map for public display. IT WAS AGREED IN PRINCIPAL that the Chairman investigate cost and that a

display could be commissioned for both the Queens Diamond Jubilee and the 50th anniversary of the naming of the village,

11-12/137 REVIEW OF ACTION LIST NOT ELSEWHERE CONSIDERED

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

11-12/138 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held in the Morrison Room on Wednesday the 18th April 2012.

CHAIRMAN

	Action List		Name	Complete
1	Obtain permission of WCC to remove 2 large trees at Birchwood Road		Clerk and H Timms	
2	Contact E.On to ascertain cost savings if Street Lights were switched off		Clerk	
3	Support residents if needed in representations to resolve the state of garages in Elm Close/Monks Road		Clerk	
4	Advise on possibility of letter drop in respect of parking on highway verges		County Council lor	
5	Write to Mr Ken Crawley thanking him for his service during his time in office		Clerk	
6	2015 Election expenses to be discussed at April Finance Working Party		Clerk, PS DJ & KS	
7	Check to see if trees obscuring 30mph signs on Rugby Road have been removed or request the signs to be moved		County Council lor	
8	Arrange for the Notice Board, presently outside the Library to be relocated at the Recreation Ground		PS	
9	Reconvene Recreation Ground Working Party		PS	
10	Arrange Finance Working Party for April		Clerk	
11	Instruct Rodent Warrior to deal with rat infestation at Allotment Garden if necessary		PS	