

BETLEY, BALTERLEY & WRINEHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2016

1/16 PRESENT:

Cllrs Dave Hales, Richard Head, Mark Morris, Frank Speed, Jo Thomas, Ian Walton and Chris Watkin.

2/16 IN ATTENDANCE:

Gwyn Griffiths (Clerk).

3/16 In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman members were asked to elect a Chairman for the meeting.

RESOLVED that Cllr Richard Head chair the meeting.

4/16 Apologies for absence was received from Cllrs Berrisford, Bettley-Smith (family), Daly (holiday), Ecclestone (work) and Townsend. An apology had also been received from County Cllr Loades (another meeting).

5/16 Members considered the declaration of interests in agenda items. There were no declarations at this point.

6/16 There were no members of the public present to engage in public participation.

7/16 There were no urgent reports from members or officers.

8/16 The Clerk advised that there had been no urgent business dealt with since the last meeting.

9/16 Members considered the following planning application:

15/01080/FUL Private fishing lake and associated works, The Old Tower, Main Road, Balterley.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council has no objection to the application.

10/16 The Clerk advised members of the following planning decisions:

15/00662 Ancillary accommodation, Beehive Cottage - PERMITTED

15/00703 Advertising signs, Betley Court Farm - One site PERMITTED, two sites REFUSED (but permitted for temporary use)

15/00736 Garden room, Briarwood, Common Lane - PERMITTED

15/00964 Redevelopment, Broughton Arms, Balterley - PERMITTED

11/16 The Clerk informed members that he had been advised by the Borough Council's planning department that the proposed development on the Blue Bell site was now the subject of revised plans which amended the layout and house types for each plot. The planning officers considered the changes to be minor in nature and that the proposed development was still acceptable, but there was a requirement to reconsult the Parish Council and members were invited to consider whether they wished to comment.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council consider the revised plans at its scheduled meeting on 28th January.

12/16 The Clerk advised members that he had been advised by the Borough Council planning department that the commuted payment for affordable housing associated with the proposed development at the Blue Bell site could be allocated to any location within the Borough.

RESOLVED a) that the Parish Council would wish the commuted payment to be used within the parish;

b) that the Parish Council would ask the Borough Council to consider using the sum to lever development on the former garage site, the extant permission for which included smaller and relatively lower-priced properties;

c) that the Parish Council would wish to exercise control over the allocation of the commuted payment.

13/16 Area issues raised by members were considered. There were no matters requiring decision, but the Clerk would notify the County Council of blocked drainage gullies on Main Road between The Butts and Ravenshall, and on Back Lane above Beehive Cottage.

14/16 The Clerk submitted to members a list of invoices to hand and payments due.

15/16 **RESOLVED** a) that the Council authorises payment of the following:

Betley Senior Citizens	Donation (Christmas Event)	£ 200.00	1214
P Brooks & Son	Memorial Garden	£ 100.00	1215
G Griffiths	Salary	£ 252.95	1216
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