

BAUGHURST PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 21 June 2016, 7.30 pm
Wolverton

PRESENT: Cllrs M G Slatford, (Chairman), C I Curtis, C Grenville, J Hewitt, F Langley, A Narracott, P R S Postance, S E Terrett (fr7-11), R T Ward
Also present: County Councillor W Lovegrove, Chief Inspector Charlie Frank, MoD Police
Apologies received from Cllrs P E Garrett, G Porter, Borough Councillor M Bound,
In attendance: Mrs P J Waterfield, Clerk

19. Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the last meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read.

20. Signing of Declarations of Acceptance of Office by Councillors not present at May meeting

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed by those as appropriate.

21. Co-option of Councillors

Cllrs C Grenville, J Hewitt and P Postance were co-opted to the Council.

22. Signing of Declarations of Acceptance of Office by newly co-opted Councillors

Those present signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

23. Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr J Hewitt was unanimously re-elected to the role of Vice Chair.

24. Apologies for absence

As above.

25. Presentation by Charlie Frank, Chief Inspector, Ministry of Defence Police

Chief Inspector Frank thanked Council for his invitation to speak, and gave a comprehensive overview of the new initiative being rolled out across Hampshire policing, given the code name 'Servator'. He explained that this involved highly visible and effective policing, which centres on unpredictable deployment of police resources, including plain clothes police officers and detectives in unmarked cars. Key to its success is the fact that it is impossible to predict where and when the next police deployment will take place, what it will look like, or how long it will be in place.

People can expect to see the police talking to community members and handing out information packs, and the project is designed to encourage and value input from the community as part of the thrust towards decreasing criminality in the area.

The Servator project has been used elsewhere, such as Portsmouth Docks, the 2014 Commonwealth Games and the Lord Mayor's Show in London. The aim is to protect AWE defence assets, which includes local communities.

In response to questions, the Chief Inspector advised that their contact number (0118 981 4111, ask for MDP), or email mdp@awe.co.uk, should be used where members of the public notice anything suspicious, or out of the ordinary from the usual working life of Baughurst. Emergencies should still be reported to 999, and non-emergencies to 101. All areas of the local policing community 'talk' to each other, and work collaboratively when combatting any form of crime in the area. The Chairman thanked Chief Inspector Frank for his interesting and informative presentation.

26. Declarations of interest

Councillors were reminded that for those with any interest to be disclosed in relation to any item included in the agenda for this meeting, it was their duty to do so at the appropriate agenda item (as required to be disclosed by Section 96(1) of the LGA 1972, and in accordance with the Parish Councils Order 2001).

27. Matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of 12 May 2016

(11) Speedwatch

No further response had been received from Laverstoke PC. Sherfield Park PC, newly formed, had indicated that they may well be interested in hiring the SID. Baughurst Speedwatch team will shortly be deployed locally.

(11) 90th birthday of Her Majesty

The day had gone well, with thanks made to the various organisation who had helped to make it happen, and the weather was kind. A last minute cancellation by the ukulele band had been superseded by the agreement of Emma Lawrence, the Best Female vocalist at Basingstoke Live 2015, to entertain the assembly. Thanks were made to the Clerk, Stan Terrett and all those others who had helped to organise the event.

(11) Broadband

The 300 rural properties within Baughurst and Wolverton who will not receive faster broadband had been joined with a further 700 properties in Charter Alley, Ramsdell and Wootton. Various initiatives are being bandied about, with HCC considering match funding for a fibre optic scheme. MPs Kit Malthouse and Ed Vaizey (Minister of State for Culture, Communications and Creative Industries) are currently also involved with the concept.

(11) Accessing HALC and NALC

All existing Councillors had now been setup on HALC website, and should have received joining instructions. The Clerk will now add the newly co-opted councillors.

(11) Confirm appointment of representatives and committees

With the resumption of a full Council, the following was confirmed:

To confirm appointment of representatives:

HCC Footpaths	Cllr P Postance
BDBC Road Safety	Cllr C Grenville
Public Transport Liaison	Cllr P Postance/Cllr R T Ward
AWE Local Liaison	Cllr P E Garrett
BDAPTC	Cllr M G Slatford and C Curtis
CAB	Cllr J Hewitt
Loddon Valley Day Care Centre	Cllr M G Slatford
Age Concern	Cllr P E Garrett
Cheque Signatories	Cllrs P E Garrett, J Hewitt, P R S Postance, M G Slatford, S E Terrett, Clerk

To confirm appointment of committees

Footpaths	Cllrs C Curtis, C Grenville, J M Hewitt, A Narracott, P R S Postance, S E Terrett
General Purposes	Cllrs C Curtis, J M Hewitt, F Langley, P R S Postance, M G Slatford, S E Terrett
Playing Fields and Open Spaces	Cllrs C Curtis, F Langley, A Narracott, G Porter, M G Slatford, S E Terrett

(11) 'Forest School'

A representative from the above had been invited to come to talk to the next meeting in July. BDBC had also been advised of the development, and an Enforcement enquiry is currently being undertaken.

(11) EJS Services

Clerk had written to EJS, advising them of this Council's discomfort in continuing with their contract, which expires in July. No response had been received. Clerk to write again, advising them of the cessation of the contract, and inviting them to give a detailed description of those works carried out in the last six months, before payment is considered.

28. **County, Borough, Police and BDAPTC reports**

a) County Councillor Lovegrove reported:

- 'joined-up' thinking across police forces in the county
- HCC Leader had sent letter of condolence to widower of MP Jo Cox
- The rationale behind the recent resurfacing of Baughurst Road, and the imminent reintroduction of the white lining
- HCC match funding for faster broadband
- He congratulated Clerk on her organisation of a successful day for the Queen's 90th birthday party

b) BDAPTC

- The annual conference had been attended by Cllrs Slatford, Narracott and Clerk. Cllr Narracott reported on BDBC stance on the current devolution proposals, and a presentation on major policy and development proposals in the Borough. Inspector Paul Pressey gave a presentation on partnership policing in rural parishes, including an update on Speedwatch.

d) Police

Reported incidents May 2016

- 14** Suspicious incidents - (from suspicious people to vehicles).
- 4** Assault -(not necessarily physical, mostly between partners)
- 6** Criminal damage incidents
- 2** Road traffic incidents
- 7** Anti-social behaviour incidents (environmental, between people known to each other, vehicle, groups of youths)

Dwelling burglaries

- 1** Public order
- 1** Dwelling breaks
- 5** Non dwelling breaks
- 0** Theft from vehicle
- 1** Theft of vehicle
- 1** Theft of pedal cycle
- 0** Drugs

On 5 May between 19.30 and 22.00 - Priors Road, Tadley – Unknown offenders have gained entry to the address by forcing the lock on the front door. During the break a number of items were stolen as well as the vehicle from the driveway, this incident is still under investigation.

Non dwelling burglaries

On 5 May between 19.30 and 22.00 - Priors Road, Tadley – Unknown offenders have gained entry to the address by forcing the lock on the front door. During the break a number of items were stolen as well as the vehicle from the driveway, this incident is still under investigation.

Between 6 May 12.00 and 9 May 09.00 – Ibworth Lane, Wootton St Lawrence – Unknown offender/s have attempted to jimmy open two wooden doors to a machinery store room, no entry gained and the offender/s left empty handed.

On 17th May between midnight and 06.00 – Wootton St Lawrence – Three offenders forced entry to a garage and started to remove items; a builder living onsite disturbed the offenders who made off over fields empty handed.

Between 19 May 18.00 and 19 May 09.40 – Church Lane, Baughurst -unknown offenders have driven over fields to the rear of outbuildings/stables, entry gained to an unlocked outbuilding, a number of garden petrol equipment stolen.

On 23 May between midnight and 00.20 – Wolverton Road, Wolverton – unknown offenders have driven over fields, demolishing a gate post whilst driving. Once on site they have forced entry to a building, a worker living on the site disturbed the offenders who left empty handed, in a large silver estate vehicle.

Incident of note

A Land Rover Defender was stolen from an address in Wootton St Lawrence on 17 May between 00.30 and 05.00, the vehicle was located a few days later on a byway in Ibworth very close to where it was stolen from.

An Isuzu Trooper was found burnt out and still smouldering in a field at Charter Alley, Sherborne St John, the vehicle was stolen from an address in Thames valley.

29. Open forum

A member of the public explained the regulations surrounding General Permitted Development, and the rationale behind the law. Clerk had been invited to join a trade union (Association of Local Council Clerks).

30. Planning

a) to receive and consider the latest planning applications

16/01539/FUL	Land at Violet Lane	Change of use of paddock to 4 gypsy pitches and associated works (Cllr Grenville declared an interest and left the room)	Objection
16/01903/HSE	Yew Tree Cottage, Haughurst Hill	Two storey side extension and single storey side extension	No objection
16/01927/HSE	11 Long Grove	Part two storey, part single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory	No objection
16/01804/RET	Berry Grange, Inhurst Lane	Installation of 1 st floor window in west elevation (retrospective)	No objection
16/01784/ROC	Land at Ewhurst Park	Variation of condition 1 of 15/04391/FUL to amend the plan numbers to allow minor material amendments	No objection
15/01600/FUL	13 Portway	Two storey side and single storey front extension	No objection

b) Decisions by BDBC

16/00824/LBC	Midways, Haughurst Hill	Reconstruction of timber framed (pole) thatched roof; internal/external masonry/stud walls following fire, remedial repairs to original format in part	Approved
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		of masonry chimney breasts	
16/00834/HSE	28 Long Grove	rear conservatory	Approved
16/01350/GPDE	52 Woodlands Road	Conservatory (permitted development)	Approved
13/01941/FUL	Land south of Church Lane, Wolverton	3 two bedroom agricultural workers' dwellings	Approved
16/00331/ROC	Mulberry House, Inhurst Lane	Removal of condition 15 of 14/00903/FUL to reinstate permitted development rights	Approved
16/00381/FUL	Land at West View Farm and rear of Beulah, Baughurst Road	2 detached dwellings, with associated parking, turning, landscaping, private amenity space and creation of shared access point	Approved
16/00968/HSE	5 Heathlands	1 st floor side and single storey front extension, conversion of garage to living accommodation and alterations to form annexe	Approved

c) Matters arising

BDBC Enforcement investigation illegally parked caravans, and 'forest school', Sandford Woods.

31. **Finance**

a) Financial statement

The latest financial statement was noted. The internal audit had been completed, with few comments which will be formalised later. The accounts had now been sent to the external auditor.

b) To consider annual review of salaries, hourly rate, mileage rate

Clerk advised recent notification of pay scales from NALC – agreed this would be deferred to the appropriate committee. The hourly rate for the maintenance contractor to rise to £8.40 per hour; mileage rate for all to remain at 60.1p per mile.

c) Quotations for works rear of Long Grove

Three quotations had been received, and the matter deferred to the next appropriate committee.

d) To approve training for new Councillors

Approval given for Cllr Narracott to attend the training offered by HALC at a cost of £90.

e) to approve training for Clerk (budgets)

Approval was given to the Clerk to attend training at a cost of £75.

f) to approve grant aid, Hurst Centre Play Day

Approval was given to a grant of £50, under S137 of the LGA 1972, for the benefit of the area and its inhabitants.

g) Queen's 90th birthday tea

Expenses of £85.92 approved.

h) Annual storage rental, Heath End Hall

Approval was given to the annual rental of £300. (Cllr Hewitt declared an interest).

32. **Playing fields and Open Spaces**

a) to receive information regarding proposals for expenditure of S106 contributions

Forward planning included:

- Improvement of pathways, Baughurst Common
- Wolverton playing field – surfacing and widening of access
- Baughurst Common estate – replacement planting after felling
- Both play areas – new equipment

b) to receive tree survey information and pricing

AGREED that quotation of £8450 for surveying of all remaining treed areas owned by this Council would be accepted. The surveys are to be carried out over a two year period, and thereafter on a rolling programme.

c) to consider mapping offer, Ordnance Survey

Mapping offer accepted. Possible that digital mapping could provide appropriate maps for councillors.

d) Rural Exemption sites update

Chairman and Clerk had met with Community Action and Hastoe, their new allied provider, and discussed the situation regarding the proposed sites in Baughurst. Our preferred site is not that preferred by the authorities, and they are to explore further options. Chairman and Clerk are invited to a conference held by HARA (Hampshire Alliance for Rural Affordable Housing). Both declared an interest.

d) Pineapple field

U3A had asked for permission to use the field as a croquet pitch during the summer months, and it was agreed that this was approved, providing Calleva Football Club were also in agreement. The occasional rate of £18.50 per use will be applied.

33. **Highways and Rights of Way**

a) Brook Lane/Ramsdell Road

Replacement sign ordered some time ago; to be investigated

b) Pinch points clearance

Chairman thanked Clerk and contractor for organising recent clearance of vegetation around pinch points

c) Browning Hill

Browning Hill closure for surface dressing from 4 July 2016.

d) Footpath 11

Agreed that Clerk would apply for Rights of Way small grant for scheme to replace planking and cover with netting.

e) Baughurst Road

Large pothole opposite Causeway Farm – HCC

f) Long Grove

Missing street name sign to be reported.

34. **Accounts for payment**

Received: Calleva £73; Premier interest £3.36

To pay:

Inland Revenue	Tax and NI June	BACS	211.78
Clerk	Salary and allowances June	BACS	938.30
Regency	Payroll – June	d/d	14.00 + 2.80
Toogood	Play equipment clean	BACS	90.00
A D Gibbs	Mowing	BACS	606.19
Southern Water	Pavilion	d/d	1.00
Lloyds Bank	Safe custody fee	d/d	7.50
HCC	Pension – June	BACS	282.72
Clerk	Land registry search	p/c	3.00
Heath End Hall	Annual rental storage	BACS	300.00
HALC	Audit notices	BACS	5.00
Clerk	Queen's 90 th expenditure	p/c	85.92
	Mileage BDAPC conference	p/c	13.75
	Laminate paper	p/c	7.29
Townsend Trees	Crownlift, oak 80 Long Grove	BACS	550.00 + 110
Townsend Trees	Remedial work, Long Grove	BACS	480.00 + 96.00
Candover Park	IT help and assistance	BACS	142.08
SEB	Pavilion	d/d	43.17

35. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of **BAUGHURST PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on THURSDAY 28 July 2016, 7.30 pm, Wolverton Village Hall.
