



Minutes of the Bournmoor Parish Council held on 27 March 23

Present: Cllr Robinson (Chair), Cllr Willoughby, Cllr Tait, Cllr Holland, Cllr Nelsey, Cllr Holland, Cllr Armstrong, Cllr Morrell, G Oliver

- 1. Apologies for absence:**
Apologies were received from Cllr Batt
- 2. Declarations of interest:**
Cllr Willoughby advised he was now a member of the Church Council. Cllr Holland also advised he would soon be moving to Chester Le Street, but would still remain on BPC.
- 3. Chair's announcements**
Cllr Robinson advised that the Parish Council should begin to give consideration to potential changes ahead of the next AGM, such as vacancies that may arise as well as consideration as to the election of the next Chair and Vice Chair.
- 4. Public participation:**
No public were present.
- 5. Approve & sign the minutes of the last meeting (Mon 27th February 2023)**
The minutes were proposed as accurate by Cllr Morrell, seconded by Cllr Holland and agreed by all present. Cllr Robinson signed off the minutes.
- 6. Any business remaining from previous meetings**
Cllr Tait advised that the Church were in support of having an electric point.

Action : G Oliver to check with Cllr Heaviside for an update on the request for electric car charging port in venues across the Division.

Cllr Tait advised he had been contacted by the Police for the Parish Hall to be used by them for an evening with 'Santa in a van' on 10th December. It would be good to tie in this event with a Xmas tree switch on.

Cllr Tait also advised that the Church had decided the open day would be held on Saturday 9th September, and would be good to use this date for the Scarecrow Trial.

Action: G Oliver to notify Cllr Batt of the 9 September date.

G Oliver had posted a social media item around reporting incidents through Durham Do-It-Online.

Cllr Robinson had also written to Insp Lee Morris to advise on the BPC position in relation to funding for the APNR request

Cllr Tait advised Broadband had been arranged and paid, although there had been some difficulties over setting up the DD with a business account.

7. County Councillors Report:

No report was received in advance, and the DCC councillors were not present for the meeting.

8. 'Clean & Green'

9. 'Secure & Safe'

a. Police Report - G Oliver advised that she was still trying to negotiate a date when the new Police officers for the area could attend. Cllr Holland advised he had met with Insp Lee Morris but there wasn't anything of note to report from the meeting. However an e-mail had been received to BPC via DCC councillors with concerns from a resident, duck shooting and potential assault. The incident had been reported to police.

Action: G Oliver to contact Insp Lee Morris around the mail to check how it is being treated and also check if any updates with DCC councillors.

b. CCTV - there was no update, now the CCTV is in place and no further incidents to report. It was agreed this item would be taken off future BPC agendas.

c. Container/Meeting with Toddler Group - the meeting had not taken place yet so no update could be given.

Action: G Oliver to contact AAP and advise BPC cannot act as the applicant for funding for the Toddler Group.

10. 'Healthy & Well'

11. 'Involved & Connected'

a. Website - Cllr Nelsey had produced an excellent document, to help the Clerk and councillors update the website in future. A meeting to walk

through the website will be held with Cllr Nelsey, Cllr Morrell and G Oliver in advance of the next BPC meeting.

- b. Facebook - Gillian Oliver had previously advised that the Do-It-Online article had been published, followers continue to grow.

Action: G Oliver to place on facebook BPCs support for 1st Bournmoor Scouts with their £100 donation.

- c. Village Walk - Cllr Armstrong advised there were still some issues prevalent such as the roads crumbling to entrances to Meadows and St Barnabus. Cllr Armstrong advised it would be good to do a walk with a bigger group. With the lighter nights, BPC discussed and agreed that a village walk should take place alongside the BPC meeting on Monday 26 June, but start earlier.

Decision: Village Walk to take place Mon 26th June - start time 6pm.

- d. Youth Club Provision - Cllr Tait advised that the Youth Club would be running during the Easter school holidays. Cllr Robinson advised that he had spoken with Durham Area Youth and engagement was growing, and happy with the progress being made. They now have 17 consent forms on their books, and with the age range expanding they are hoping to grow to 20-25 attendees each week. From 1st April they advised they will be introducing a £1 charge for attendance, but this is at the request of the people attending so they can save for trips, resources, activities.
- e. Scarecrow Trail Plans - as Cllr Batt was unable to attend, this was moved to the next meeting.
- f. Village signage - G Oliver advised that a quote had been received from Signage, but was awaiting a quote from Sign Lead and was due imminently.

Action: G Oliver to share Sign Lead quote when received with BPC.

12. Financial Matters:

- a. Finance Report - the following payments were approved -

Clerk - £441.33
Room Hire - £40

G Oliver also advised the AGAR paperwork and processes had come through in anticipation of the end of the financial year. G Oliver will progress, deadline for completion is 30 June.

13. Planning Applications: None to discuss

14. Correspondence:

Cllr Robinson discussed a photo of a stile repair received via the BCG.

Action : Cllr Holland to discuss with Ken Clark any repair and costings needed and report back to BPC.

15. Items for future meetings / agenda items

School Admissions

BCG update/finance for 23/24

16. Next Meeting

To confirm the date, time & venue for the next meeting - Mon 24th April 23 @ 7pm in the Church Hall