

**Minutes of the virtual meeting of Birdingbury Parish Council  
held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**Present:** Cllrs French, Preston, Cutts, Morton

**In attendance:** Jackie Chapman (Clerk)

**1. Welcome.**

Cllr French opened the meeting at 19:34 hrs and welcomed those present.

**2. To accept apologies for absence**

None received

**3. Declaration of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. Co-option of Councillor**

It was proposed by Cllr Morton, seconded by Cllr Cutts and  
**RESOLVED** Sara Kendell be co-opted as a Councillor for  
Birdingbury Parish Council

Cllr Mrs Kendell signed the Acceptance of Office form in front of everyone present.

**5. Representations from the public**

No public were present.

**6. Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 were agreed as a true and complete record.

**7. Reports from County and Borough Councillors**

County Cllr Roberts was not present.  
District Cllr Mrs Crane.

**8. Reports from Councillors**

There is a steady trickle of water running down Back Lane. Clerk will report to both WCC Highways and Severn Trent.

Stephen Edgar who makes regular checks on the village defibrillator has ensured the telephone cabinet and defibrillator complies with current COVID19 advice. The Parish Council offers its thanks to Stephen for looking after the defibrillator.

**9. Planning Applications**

**9.1** No planning applications have been received since 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

**9.2** The following planning decisions have been received since the last Parish Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

Application Number	Address	Decision
R20/0271	The Boat Inn, Rugby Road, Birdingbury	Approved

**9.3 Appeals** - none received.

9.4 **R20/0611** – no decision received. Cllr Morton understands a resident near to the industrial unit is still struggling with noise as opposed to fumes.

## 10. Financial Issues

### 10.1 Approval of cheques

Payee	Amount £
Clerks Salary October	
HMRC – July – Sept 2020	105.65
Zoom – reimbursement to Clerk for one third of Zoom cost for October 2020 (£14.39 divided by three)	4.79
WALC (Training Improving Parish Council Relationships – G French and Mrs J Chapman £30.00 each (£60.00) Pre-order Charles Arnold Baker (£120.00) Total £180.00	180.00
Morral Play Services – Annual Inspection of the recreation ground	59.40

It was proposed by Cllr Preston, seconded by Cllr French and **RESOLVED** the payments be made.

### 10.2 Bank Balance Reconciliation

Bank statement as at 13.10.2020 £14244.54 agreed.

### 10.3 Budget Report as at 30.10.2020

Agreed

### 10.4 Approval of Implementation of National Pay Award

The Clerk asked for this item to be deferred to the January 2021 meeting - Agreed.

## 11. Recreation Ground Report

The report covered both the main play area and the Skate Park area and indicated both are still within an acceptable level of risk.

Information to be established before the next meeting: -

- Who owns the land?
- Check the process to be followed if the Parish Council wishes to install a gate into the recreation ground at the top of the hill by the Church.
- Can a meeting be arranged with WCC on site?
- Signs for the recreation ground – information required?

Cllr Cutts will check the goal posts and if he considers them unsafe, he will either make them safe or drop them.

Cllr Cutts will take photos of the equipment where there are splits within the wood so these can be considered at the next meeting.

## 12. Birdingbury Village Club

Cllr French will contact the Club to see if there are any updates.

## 13. Next Steps – Self Build Plots

Following a lengthy discussion

It was proposed by Cllr French, seconded by Cllr Morton and **RESOLVED** to

- Share information about the proposal with village residents, via the Chair's piece in Birdsong initially, and to listen actively to their feedback
- advise Landstrom they must not indicate in any of their communications (letter, poster, tweet, website, Instagram, Facebook) that they have the support of Birdingbury Parish Council.
- ask Landstrom what they are intending to do on the Glebe Land and how they intend to engage with the village.

Cllr Preston abstained from voting.

**14. Newcomers to the village**

Abberley is due to have a new owner soon.

**15. Correspondence**

Noted. The Clerk will continue to forward Warwickshire County Cllr Crumps COVID19 email updates.

**16. Items for next Agenda**

Budgets/ Precept, Broadband, 4 Back Lane, National Pay Award

**17. Date of next meeting** 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

Meeting ended 21:00

Signed

Date