**Minutes of the meeting of Birdingbury Parish Council**

**20th October 2015, held at The Birbury, Birdingbury**

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| **Present** | |  |
|  | Councillors: D Turner (Chair), I Tipton, G Davy, J Morton, D Preston and Borough Councillor E Crane. | |

**In Attendance**

Rebecca Butcher (Clerk), Mr Pedley County Manager for Severn Trent along with another

Member of Severn Trent staff and 7 members of the public

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| 1. | **Welcome and apologies for absence.**  Councillor Turner opened the meeting and welcomed those present. |
| 2. | **To accept apologies for absence.** There were no apologies to accept |
| 3. | **Declarations of interest.** Councillors are reminded that they should  declare either a personal or prejudicial interest. (Councillors with a prejudicial interest should leave the room for the relevant items.) |
| 4.  5. | Councillor Davy declared an interest in item 14 – land adjacent to Masters’ Hill.  **Sewerage/Flooding issues** Meeting adjourned at 7.40pm to allow questions from the public minutes recorded separately. Meeting Recommenced at 8.15pm  **Representations from the public.** There was no representation from the public. |
| 6.  7.  8.  9.  10.  11.  12.  13.  14.  15.  16.  17.  18. | **Reports from Borough and County Councillors**.  Councillor Crane in attendance  Councillor Crane informed Birdingbury Parish Council that Rugby Borough council have chosen not to proceed at this time in entering into a combined authority at this time as they do not feel that there is enough information available on how this would affect RBC. They will continue with talks regarding this and it maybe something they would consider in the future when the impact on RBC is clear.   |  | | --- | | **Dog Fouling Bin.** Councillors agreed that the clerk should order the dog fouling bin through Rugby Borough Council at a cost of £225.10. A grant for £100.00 has been obtained from the Dunchurch Division Councillors Fund so the actual cost to Birdingbury Parish Council will be £125.10. |   **New bin in recreation field.** Councillors discussed this matter and it was decided that the issue will be raised with Councillor Crane at the next Parish Council meeting  **Work needed to be carried out in play park.** Councillors discuss works needing carried out in the recreation ground. Councillor Preston is going to meet with a workman who can produce a quote for the works needing to be carried out.  **Minutes of the last meeting** – the minutes of the Birdingbury Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 15th September 2015 have been approved and signed.  **Reports from Councillors** (other than Planning and Highway issues).  Councillor Davy updated on the upcoming fireworks display. Councillor Davies has produced a risk assessment, clerk to send to Operations Planning Department for Warwickshire Police to help with their emergency services planning.  The rubbish collection for the bonfire will be on 30th October 2013 at 10am.  The Parish Council thanked Councillor Davy for all her hard work in organising the Bonfire and Firework Display.  **Correspondence requiring action** (and not elsewhere on the Agenda).   * Grant Thornton Birdingbury Parish Council Audit-Clerk has given a notice to display informing residents the Audit is now complete.   **Financial Issues.**  13.1 Approval of cheques   * Clerk’s fee and expenses £193.77 * MFM grass cutting £278.00   13.2 Financial statement – this was circulated  13.3 Cheque signatories-These have now been updated  **Planning Issues.**   * R15/1188 – Masters Hill-No further information * R15/1896 –Erection of ménage at Pioneer Farm-Councillors Turner and Morton have conducted a site visit. This was discussed with the other councillors and they recommended the Clerk forward the following conditions to the planning department   The colour of the building to be green/brown  Higher planting of trees/shrubs to disguise building and soften visible impact  The existing garages/outbuildings/stable blocks to be removed  Consideration to light pollution   * Potential solar farm-no further information * War memorial has been given listed building status, clerk to organise annual clean of war memorial. If access to water is required to contact Councillor Tipton.     **Highways.**   * Marton Road Footpath-some works have been carried out. Clerk to obtain a further update from Highways. * Gravel on road Back Lane/Bourton Hill/Marton road. Highways have conducted a site visit and concluded no further action is required.   **Newcomers to the village.**  None to report  **Business considered urgent by the Chair** (and not elsewhere on the Agenda). None to report   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **Date of nexDate of the next Parish Council meeting**: Tuesday 17th November 2015 |   There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9.44 pm  Signed ................................................................ (Chair)  Date .................................................................. |