**Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 18th September 2018**

**at the Birbury, Birdingbury**

**Present:** Councillor Preston, Cllr Mrs Davy, Cllr Mrs Morton, Cllr Mrs Cane

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

1. **Welcome.**

Cllr Preston opened the meeting at 19:30hrs and welcomed those present.

1. **To accept apologies for absence**

Cllr Tipton, Cllr Mrs Turner, County Cllr Roberts

1. **Declaration of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

1. **Representations from the public**

No public were present at the meeting.

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th July 2018 were agreed as being a true and complete record.

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

The Clerk advised she has spoken to County Cllr Roberts and he apologises for not attending the Parish meetings for some time. The reason for this is the third Tuesday in a month is often used by both County and Borough Councils for their meetings. However, Cllr Roberts is keen to offer any help as and when he can.

District Cllr Crane advised the Local Plan Inspector recommended some changes to the Local Plan which included the removal of Lodge Farm (Grandborough). The amended plan is out for consultation until 5th October 2018. It is hoped Rugby Borough Council will vote for its adoption in December 2018. Mr R Back, Head of Growth and Investment, which includes Planning is leaving RBC, an external female applicant has been appointed. Cllr Mrs Heather Timms is stepping down as Portfolio holder for planning, Cllr Seb Lowe has been appointed as the new portfolio holder.

The Councillors advised Cllr Mrs Crane about their concerns with regard to planning: - lack of consistency between officer’s decisions, lack of consistency with regard to conditions placed on approvals and no mention of Parish Councils within RBC’s Scheme of Delegation of Officers. It was agreed the Clerk will confirm this via email to Cllrs Mrs Crane.

**ACTION** - Clerk to clarify planning concerns to Cllr Mrs Crane

1. **Reports from Councillors**

Cllr Mrs Morton congratulated Cllr Mrs Davy and her husband, Mr S Davy for the fabulous presentation on Saturday 15th September 2018 to two former soldiers, one of whom is a Birdingbury resident who served in the Second World War and were awarded the decoration of the Legion d’Honneur. The Parish Council unanimously applauded Cllr Mrs Davy and Mr S Davy.

**8. Planning Applications**

**8.1** The following planning application have been received

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| Application No | Address | Proposal Description | BPC Response |
| R/18/1333 | Masters Barn, Masters Court, Birdingbury | Conversion of stables and garage to form a residential dwelling | No comment |
| R/18/1486 | Land adjacent to Stockton Road, Stockton Road, Birdingbury. | Demolition of exisiting structures and erection of a 1 bedroom dwelling. | Objections made |
| R18/1308 | Proposed house, Stockton Road, Birdingbury | Proposed change of use of 2 (no) agricultural buildings to provide a single dwelling house | Further development to be restricted and proper monitoring of building and subsequent proposals affecting the site. |

**8.2** The following planning decision has been received

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| Application No | Address | Proposal Description | Decision |
| R/18/0596 | Land adjacent to Stockton Road, Birdingbury | Erection of a lean-to store extension to the side of the existing building, | Granted |
| R/18/0293 | Land at junction of Birdingbury Road and Stockton Road, Stockton Road, Birdingbury. | Conversion of stables to form one residential dwelling. | Granted |

**8.2** Appeals - none

**9. Financial Issues**

**9.1 Approval of cheques**

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| **Payee** | **Amount £** |
| Clerks fee September 2018 |  |
| Frank Mann Farmers 10.07.18 | 171.60 |
| Frank Mann Farmers 07.08.18, 21.08.18 | 396.00 |
| Insurance renewal | 552.37 |

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Morton, seconded by Cllr Mrs Davy and

**RECOMMENDED** the payments be made

**9.2 Bank Balance**

As at 29th August 2018 £10,432.62 (including £5424 lottery grant)

The bank reconciliation was signed as being correct by Cllr Tipton

**9.3 Payment received**

**£3436.92** precept paid 06.09.18 - noted

**9.3 Budget Report as at 31.08.18**

Appendix C - noted

**10. Defibrillator**

Cllr Mrs Morton advised the new door for the telephone box has been ordered and is due to be delivered on 25th September 2018. The Clerk confirmed the defibrillator has been ordered, it will be delivered to Cllr Mrs Morton.

**11. Birdingbury Village Club**

There was no update.

**12. Village Bonfire**

A meeting to plan the event is due to take place on 20th September 2018.

**13. Parish Plan**

A meeting is due to be held on 19th September 2018

**14. Newcomers to the Village**

None

**15. Correspondence received and action required**

It was agreed correspondence received will be deferred until the next meeting.

The Parish Council received a letter of complaint from a resident of the village with regard to the recent article in Birdsong about Fireworks.

**ACTION** – Clerk to respond to complainant

**16. Business considered urgent by the Chair** (and not elsewhere on the Agenda)

**ACTION** - Clerk to ask Mr Dollar to look at the hedge to the recreation ground with a view to it being trimmed before 3rd November 2018

**ACTION** – Clerk to reply to Mr Withington with regard to allotment rent

**ACTION** – Clerk to advise Allotment Society of increase in Allotment rental.

**17. Items for the next Agenda**

Planning Protocol, Response from RBC/Cllr Mrs Crane re planning.

**18. Date of next meeting: 16th October 2018**

Meeting closed 21:08 hrs

Signed Date