

**Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
at the Birbury, Birdingbury**

**Present:** Councillor Mrs Turner, Cllr Mrs Davy, Cllr Mrs Morton, Cllr Tipton and Cllr Preston

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

**1. Welcome.**

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

**2. To accept apologies for absence**

None received

**3. Declaration of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. Representations from the public**

No public were present at the meeting.

**5. Minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 were agreed as being a true and complete record.

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

Neither District or County Councillor were present at the meeting

**7. Reports from Councillors**

Cllr Tipton advised the carcass of a deer has been removed from under the bridge on the road to Frankton. The Police are also following this up given the manner in which the carcass was found.

Cllr Preston advised he reported some fly tipping on the Long Itchington Road to Rugby Borough Council, it was removed very promptly.

Cllr Preston advised Mrs Westcott has written to the Parish Council to say she and family will no longer contribute to the Birdingbury Bonfire Night.

**ACTION** Clerk to write to Mrs Westcott and family, thanking them for their commitment to the village community and the annual bonfire.

Cllr Preston advised the Bonfire Committee will need new volunteers, particularly someone who is prepared to train to let the fireworks off.

There followed a discussion about County Councillor Roberts not attending a Birdingbury Parish Council meeting for a few months.

**ACTION** Clerk to contact County Councillor Roberts

**8. Increase in Allotment Rental Charge.**

It was noted, Birdingbury Parochial Church Council has increased the annual rental for the allotments to £95.00 per annum for the next five years.

**9. Planning Applications**

**9.1** No planning applications have been received:

**9.2** The following planning decisions have been received:

Application No	Address	Decision
R/17/2078	Top Farm, Long Itchington Road, Rugby, CV23 8EQ	Granted
R/18/0205	Land adjacent to Stockton Road, Birdingbury (Ancillary buildings)	Application withdrawn

**9.3 Appeals** – none

Cllr Mrs Turner, Cllr Mrs Morton and Cllr Preston visited the Senior Planning Officer at Rugby Borough Council regarding planning application R/17/2056 (land adjacent to Stockton Road). They were advised the Planning Authority were not able to refuse the application following changes to the National Planning Policy Framework, however, they can control any further development. The current planning permission allows for the conversion of the stables from the inside out. The stables cannot be extended up or out, dug up, or insulated from the outside. They cannot change the look of the stables, they can however reroof it. If anyone sees any work being done to the stables outside of the planning conditions, RBC is to be contacted.

**ACTION** – Clerk to write to the Housing Minister, Dominic Raab, regarding the impact of the changes to the NPPF

**10. Financial Issues**

**10.1 Approval of cheques**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Davy, seconded by Cllr Tipton and **RESOLVED** the following payments be made.

Payee	Amount £
Clerks fee April 2018	
WALC Membership 2018 – 2019	126.00
Birdingbury Village Club Ltd – proportion of insurance	131.50

**10.2 Bank Balance**

As at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 £4193.53 - noted

**10.3 Budget Report as at 31.03.18**

Noted.

**ACTION** - Clerk to forward copy of Grass cutting quote to all Councillors.

**11. Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Cllr Tipton advised a report will be made at the Annual Village Meeting due to take place on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

**12. Defibrillator**

There was no update; the telephone is still to be decommissioned.

**13. Future of Birbury and Birdingbury Club**

There was no update.

**14. Youth and Play Grants 2018**

The Clerk confirmed she has applied for a Youth and Play Grant from Rugby Borough Council. The Clerk also advised she has received a quote for the MUGA to be relined, amounting to £595.00 plus VAT. The Clerk has also received a quote for general maintenance work to be undertaken to the recreation ground.

**ACTION** – Clerk to instruct maintenance contractor to undertake maintenance work at the recreation ground and some around the village

**ACTION** – Clerk to write to The Birbury Club and apply for a grant from the Distribution Fund.

Cllr Tipton to approach a local resident and ask if they will replaster the Bus Shelter.

Cllr Mrs Turner will ask the residents who built the Bus Shelter if they will ease the doors to the Noticeboards.

**15. NALC – Self Assessment Tool**

It was agreed this will not be pursued.

**16. Newcomers to the village**

None. However, it was noted 4 Back Lane, a Council property, has been vacant since the end of 2017.

**ACTION** – Clerk to contact RBC Housing Department to establish when the property is likely to be occupied again.

**17. Correspondence received and action required**

Noted

**18. Business considered urgent by the Chair**

None

**19. Items for the next Agenda**

Follow up on Annual Meeting,

**Date of next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Meeting closed 20.45 hrs

**Signed**

**Date**