

**Minutes of the meeting of Birdingbury Parish Council
held on Monday 21st February 2022 in The Birbury, Birdingbury**

Present: Cllrs French, Preston, Cutts, Kent and Cllr Mrs Kendell

1. Welcome.

Cllr French opened the meeting at 19:342 hrs and welcomed those present.

2. To accept apologies for absence

Clerk

3. Declaration of interest

None

4. Representations from the public

A member of the public attended their concern was addressed under item 9.
Planning

5. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 17th January 2022 were agreed as being a true and complete record.

6. Action Log

February items were reviewed, and all were closed or on the Agenda.

7. Reports from County and Borough Councillors

None

8. Reports from Councillors

The Parish Council has received an email from a resident of the village regarding Motorbikes on the cycle track. No action for the P.C.

9. Planning Applications

9.1 No planning applications have been received since the last meeting held on 17th January 2022.

9.2 Planning Decisions

The following planning decisions has been received since the last meeting held on 17th January 2022.

Planning Number	Address	Decision
R20/0611	Unit 11 and 12 Munro Business Park, Marton Road, Birdingbury	Approved

R20/0611 - Councillors noted the detail of the Use Class that has been agreed
R22/0073 – noted

A member of the public wished to discuss the new development on the land by the corner of Stockton Road. His land adjoins the land under consideration for development and he is concerned he will be overlooked. His concerns were duly noted.

9.3 Appeals – none

9.4 Planning Applications - Collaboration with Thurlaston Parish Council

The Parish Council welcomed the idea to collaborate with Thurlaston Parish Council

ACTION – Cllr French to contact Thurlaston Chair.

10. Financial Issues

10.1 Approval of cheques

Payee	Amount
Clerk Salary January 2022	£141.09

It was proposed by Cllr Preston, seconded by Cllr Kendell and
RESOLVED the payment be made.

10.2 Bank reconciliation

Cllr Kendell had a query relating to the bank statement. In the absence of the Clerk, it was deferred to the next meeting.

10.3 Budget Report

Noted.

10.4 Precept

Cllr French explained the possible reasoning behind the £6.87 difference between “no change to precept” and the advised figure. Clerk to provide a fuller explanation at the next meeting.

10.5 Internal Auditor

Proposed Auditor, Eleanor Choudry will offer a draft letter of engagement, which Cllr French will check and send back.

10.6 1 and 1 e-mail storage

It was proposed by Cllr seconded by Cllr and
RESOLVED to increase the email storage by the £3 plus vat option.

11 Highways

11.1 Road Traffic Survey – to consider authorising the cost of said survey

Further enquiries to be made to understand how the data provided by a survey will be used. Defer to next meeting.

12 Queens Jubilee

Cllrs agreed to order 75 Jubilee Celebration mugs.

Main Street - replacement trees. Query re the choice of trees to be planted, preference for mountain ash.

ACTION - Cllr French will make further enquiries and will advise everyone via email, so the Clerk can place an order.

Ownership of land, field after the allotments – deferred to next meeting due to Clerks absence.

Royal Canopy – Cllr Kendell explained her discussions with the landowner of the copse beyond the railway bridge. Cllr Kendell to order the 30-tree woodland pack, subject to a few further checks.

Jubilee Week – Cllrs discussed the schedule circulated by the Chair and welcomed the progress. The Parish Council is willing to support with insurance, communication, etc as needed.

13 Birbury

Cllr French explained the proposed discussion at the next Birbury Management Committee meeting (now 1st March) regarding the future of the committee. The PC welcomed that the discussion was under way

14 Annual Village Meeting

Council agreed to hold the meeting on Tuesday 17th May in the Birbury (subject to Clerk's availability and that of the Birbury).

Actions – Clerk to advise her availability; Cllr French to advise Birbury Secretary of the date.

15 Newcomers to the village

None

16 Items for next Agenda

Adoption of Code of Conduct, Adoption of reviewed Standing Orders, Adoption of renewed Financial Regulations, Website, Playground entrance quotes, Telephone Box refurbishment and repair quotes, Bus Stop redecoration quotes, Grass Cutting Tender, online banking, speed survey decision, Birbury Management Committee, precept explanation, land after allotment field.

17 Date of next meeting – 21st March 2022

Meeting ended 20:47 hrs

Signed

Date