## Minutes for Bothamsall Parish Council meeting Held on 14th March 2024 at the village hall.

Members present: Chair Cllr Hynes, Cllrs Eaglen, Davis, McCombe, Woodcock and Stothard.

Apologies for absence; none

Declarations of interest: none

Minutes of the meeting held 11th January 2024; were proposed to be a true and correct record and proposed by TW and seconded by AS. All in favour.

Matters arising from the previous minutes.

### 15/001 Highways

PE reported being told the bridge (on the footpath) had been repaired; JMC confirmed.

Poor condition of Redhill lane raised; Signage such as 'not suitable for motor vehicles' was requested; awaiting response. TW suggested we should consider asking for the road to be either repaired or closed to traffic as the ford is now particularly treacherous and only 4x4s (usually trespassing in the woods) can get down. To be discussed at the next meeting.

15/002 Interest Groups/Feedback. None

15/003 Fly Tipping; None

### 15/022 Neighbourhood Watch;

Cllr Stothard arranging a flyer asking for comments on the use of Whats app for village information.

Nothing to report this month. 17/009 Method/Risk

#### 21/014 Budget Update

Income. Interest from Hampshire trust £444.00

Expenses. Donations £360.00 Xmas Lights £21.98. Litter Pickers £14.45. Flags £67.00

Ink Cartridges/Stamps/Paper £51.24. NALC Subs £85.36.

Hampshire Trust bond was re-invested on the 28th February for 1 year at 4.25%; the interest will be £510.00. This decision was agreed between meetings.

Agreement for yearend accounts to be emailed to councillors and to be signed off between meetings in preparation for the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24 Form 2 by SH & PE. Then submitted to Bassetlaw Open data with the Certificate of Exemption being sent to the external auditor.

Pp by TW. Seconded by JMC . All in favour

Discussion on buying a new laptop, as the current one is exceptionally slow and unreliable. A good, refurbished machine may be an option and cost effective, although also raised that it's often worth buying new.

Other areas of potential spending, repainting the cemetery gates and servicing the council's mower (approximately £140). All three options were (in the council's view) justifiable and worthwhile, however for now <u>AS proposed</u> a price be sought for shot blasting the gates and applying red oxide and purchase a tin of black paint, and also servicing the mower. <u>TW seconded</u>. All in favour. (Laptop on hold for now)

### 23/002 Risk Assessment

Nothing to add

### 15/001 Email from Paul Hillier

Discussion took place on safety matters regarding the speeding issues. Could the paths be widened where they are very narrow, and what is the legal width of the road and pavements?

Concerns were raised about large farm machinery and the speed at which they travel. The other danger is for walkers using the footpath at the top of Castle Hill to Meadow Lane. Cllr Stothard to enquire about speed ramps.

# 3/010 D-Day 80 anniversary celebrations June 2024

Bassetlaw DC is expected to send out more details on suggested events.

Both Dan Thomas & Dan Simpson (Management Committee) have discussed; as a working day it's suggested the club is opened and at 9.30pm the new brazier is lit. A circular to be sent round the village.

#### 24/001 Litter Pick

Date fixed for 23/24 March 2024. Francis Waite has put details in the Idle Times; PE suggested it needs to be in a village circular & volunteered to pick the equipment up.

# 24/003 APM meeting date/speaker

Matt Hatton from BDC has agreed to the  $9^{th}$  April. PE to confirm. Flyer is going round the village Cllr Hynes to arrange. Council voted to secure the date for the APM, proposed by PE and seconded by TW. All in favour

### **AGENDA**

24/007 Ward Boundary review; was discussed, all are happy with the current situation.

**24/008** Proposed\_renewal of public Spaces. Council in favour of supporting with discussion over poo bins, signage etc.

**24/009** Planning Appeal notification for the proposed traveller site at Haughton. Confirmed the comments already made will be carried forward into the current appeal.

The cabins used on the sports field have received retrospective planning consent and can remain.

<u>24/010</u> Hull Trains; proposed new direct line to London was raised; will offer another option if getting the train to London (from Worksop) which could potentially offer a price difference between the two. May benefit any individuals traveling to London but limited impact on our community and no action proposed.

### **Financial**

Spreadsheet and summary provided by PE. Running without a clerk has saved £1,265.70 so far. Small savings on other items has led to an Underspend (against budget) of £1,678.58. Could have other expenses before yearend.

### **Plans**

Application for Top Farm (Main Street); details circulated between meetings. Proposals include restoring the properties frontage with timber windows and traditional pantiles. The potential for positive impact on the conservation area ensure the council is supportive. SH to forward letter of support.

Correspondence;

Sent by email

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 9th May 2024 at 7:30pm

Meeting closed:

9.30pm

Signed

Date

9.5.24