

**Baddesley Clinton Parish Council Parish Council meeting
to be held at the Barn Restaurant, Baddesley Clinton Hall,
Rising Lane, Baddesley Clinton
20 March 2024 at 7.30 pm**

A G E N D A

- 1. Apologises/Welcome**
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting – held 9 January 2024**
- 3. Matters arising**

Matters arising from previous Minutes

- a. Garden bonfires and The Convent bonfires
- b. Pot holes Rising Lane
- c. Street lighting
- d. Rights of Way consultation
- e. Warwickshire Woodlands Forest Plan consultation

- 4. Warwick District Council – planning – no new applications**

Warwick District Council update

- 5. Warwickshire County Council**
- 6. Publications & Miscellaneous correspondence (listed)**
- 7. Finance**
Warwick District Council Uncontested Election £300, Clerk's salary, Internal Auditor to be appointed
- 8. Any other business**

Minutes of Baddesley Clinton Parish Meeting

held on 9 January 2024 at 7.30 pm at

The Barn Restaurant, Baddesley Clinton Hall, Rising Lane, Baddesley Clinton B93

1 Apologies/Welcome

Present: Cllr Laurence Mathers (Chairman), Cllr Richard Roberts, Cllr Michael Morris, Cllr Robert Blyth and District Cllr Armstrong.

Apologies: County Cllr John Cooke, Councillor Cllr Tim Maycock, District Councillors Richard Hales and Kyn Aizlewood.

3 Matters arising from previous Minutes

3a Matters arising

1 Garden bonfires and The Convent bonfires. Parish Councillors discussed the issue of the frequent lighting of bonfires which are left to burn throughout the whole day and night, which seem to be possibly emanating from Convent Farm. Councillors agreed to monitor and log incidents.

3b Litter picking

Litter picking – The Clerk advised that, following in invitation displayed on the noticeboard, no-one had come forward to volunteer to offer support to the Chadwick End litter picking team. However, several Councillors expressed interest.

3c – Flood risk management

Cllr Roberts updated Councillors on flood risk relating to the issue of change to drainage due to development on land at Convent Farm, which will have effects on the water table and flood risk management, due to the creation of a lake. Surface water runs across Rising Lane toward Manor Park Farm pond, which turns to ice in winter, thus creating a hazard to road users. Councillors also discussed the ditches in Haywood Lane which are overflowing from water run off from the adjacent fields. In relation to Hay Wood it was also mentioned visitors are not respecting the parking bays – preferring to churn up the verges instead. Cllr Blyth suggested the use of diagonal parking bays to accommodate more vehicles.

3d – Speed Watch

The Clerk mentioned there had been no response to the notice placed on the Parish's notice board seeking volunteers to form a Speed Watch team. At least 5 people are required before the Police can instigate training in the use of speed guns in order to confirm there is a problem with the speed of traffic through the village. Several Councillors expressed interest in volunteering and the Clerk stated she will explore the issue with the Police Speed Watch Team.

3e – Street Lighting

Cllr Rob Blyth reported the broken street lamp, was finally been fixed. He reported the delay was due to WDC being unable to identify the lamp in question. The Clerk enlisted the support of District Councillors and the lamp was promptly fixed.

3f – Bench and notice board refurbishment

The Chairman, Cllr Laurence Mathers reported he had researched suitable products for preserving the bench and notice board and offered to carry out this maintenance or assist other volunteers in the near future. Furthermore, the Clerk had contacted the notice board manufacturer who recommended the product they use, but advised this should be applied following a period of dry weather and in 10+ degrees.

3g – G5 mast update

Councillors expected the G5 mast to be installed this week, as we have been advised of road closures. However, work has not yet commenced although we understand that under ground work was completed a few weeks' ago.

3h – Parish Precept

Councillors consulted the Annual Budget provided by the Clerk, to decide on the annual precept amount to be requested from WDC. The Parish Council has requested £3,500 since 2019 and Councillors unanimously agreed that this sum needed to be increased to £4,000 in order to meet rising costs.

4a - Warwick District Council – planning applications.

No new planning applications were received. The Clerk advised the decision on Grand Union Farm's application had not yet been received, and Cllr Morris commented on the works following Appeal at Wood Corner Farm.

4b - Warwick District Council Update

The Chairman thanked District Cllr David Armstrong for his recent update on issues at WDC which the Clerk had circulated. Cllr Armstrong explained WDC's Green Homes Grant scheme and advised that Castle Farm Leisure Centre in Kenilworth has recently opened. Information on the range of activities is available on the Everyone Active website.

5 Warwickshire County Council

County Cllr John Cooke updated Councillors on developments at WCC via an email report prior to the meeting. The Clerk had forwarded this to all Parish Councillors.

6 Publications and miscellaneous correspondence (listed and circulated)

The Clerk forwarded the list of emails received to Parish Councillors on a monthly basis, in order to keep Councillors informed of current issues.

7 Finance

Payments made for Clerk's salary, £484.25, Autela Payroll £54.58. The Chairman discussed a request from HSBC Bank with Councillors regarding 'Client Account Money'. Councillors agreed that the Parish's bank account did not hold any such funds, and consequently no action needs to be taken.

8 Any other business

a) A WDC email regarding the state of Rights of Way in the area was circulated to Councillors for their consideration. It was mentioned the ROW running through Covent Farm (part of the Heart of England Way) had dilapidated stiles and parts of the route were frequently flooded. Councillors agreed to consider/walk some of the routes and liaise with the Chairman to provide a response to WDC.

Date of next meeting – 20 March 2024 to be confirmed

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.