

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOBBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

held on Wednesday 17th July 2024 at 7.30pm at Bobbington Village Hall.

Present: Cllr L. Jones (Chair), Cllr M. Snelson (Vice-Chair), Cllr A. Burton, Cllr S. Hadgett, Cllr A. Perry (arrived 7:40pm), Cllr M. Slater

Guests in Attendance: Cllr R. Reade, Cllr V. Wilson, Robert Rowan (Open Reach), Paul (Staffordshire County Council), Staffordshire Police officers x 2

Public in Attendance: 1

Minute Taker & Clerk: Kate Pritchard, clerk@bobbington.staffslc.gov.uk

24/055. Apologies: Cllr J. Stanton

24/056. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations: Cllr. Reade declared an interest in planning matters.

24/057. Minutes: It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 15th May 2024, having been circulated, be confirmed, and signed as a correct record.

24/058. Matters arising from the Minutes: Matters were NOTED.

24/059. Civic Award: Cllr. Jones presented Mrs J. Tudor with the Civic Award, cheque and flowers.

24/060. Open Reach: Robert advised Open Reach would like to thank Bobbington for their support. Full fibre is now available. Robert advised for residents to contact their broadband provider, place an order for full fibre, then a date with an Open Reach engineer will be agreed for installation. The engineer will run a cable to the external part of the property to the full fibre box. The engineer will discuss where you would like the router. The router, telephone line can be installed in a new area of the house. There may be limitations.

The end of Six Ashes Road at Six Ashes and the airfield are in the commissioning stage, will be available in the next 2 weeks. The Vineyard in the next 3 weeks. Robert requested residents pledge before they place an order for a full fibre service. The Government have capped the pledges – open reach can only claim what it costs them. Residents can change their minds if they have previously pledged. Robert to circulate electronic information. **ACTION:** Clerk to send Cllr. Burton contact details.

24/061. Highway Matters:

- a) Void in road: Full Road closure was required. Request was sent 16th May to Cllr. Wilson. Pavement is now damaged. It has been patched 3 times. The issues were NOTED.
- b) Road closures were NOTED.
- c) Crab Lane: The road issues were raised with Cllr. Wilson. To be investigated.
- d) Island/ Pavement in centre of Village: To be reported through SCC. **ACTION:** Cllr. Hadgett to send photos to the Clerk. Reference number to be forwarded to Cllr. Wilson.
- e) Gospel Ash Road: This has been surfaced to a poor standard. Edges of the road are already crumbling away. **ACTION:** Cllr. Perry to send photos to Cllr. Wilson.
- f) Primary school hedge: The hedge requires maintenance. **ACTION:** Cllr. Slater to action W/C 15.07.24.
- g) Tom lane: The trees on the bend, by the vineyard require maintenance. **ACTION:** Cllr. Wilson to investigate. Possibility for Street Scene.

24/062. Friends of Bobbington: It was RESOLVED to repair the bus shelter. **ACTION:** Cllr. Snelson to repair. It was RESOLVED to repair the Stiles near the houses. **ACTION:** Cllr. Snelson to repair.

24/063. Airfield Matters: The Café is now open. The Helicopter pad enables fuelling without switching off engine. Next consultative meeting to be confirmed. Last meeting, Cllr. Snelson & Cllr. Perry attended. Assistant manager chaired the meeting.

Support is there, however was agreed more communication required. The Airfield was not aware of the planning application for the Vodafone mast.

24/064. Reports from Committee Representatives:

Corbett School: Nothing to report.

Bobbington Village Hall: There have been some maintenance issues in relation to the electricity supply constantly tripping out, but it is thought that the source of the problem has been found. The AGM has been rescheduled for early September and a copy of the minutes will be provided when available.

Holy Cross Church: Nothing to report.

Community Speed watch: Nothing to report.

Health and Wellbeing: Nothing to report.

Crime Report: A new report is provided. This will contain the last three months of incidents and included neighbouring issues including Bobbington. It was RESOLVED to report the abandoned van on salt Lane to the Council. **ACTION:** Clerk to report.

South Staffordshire Locality Forum: Nothing to report.

24/065. Public Question Time: None.

24/ 066. Financial Matters: It was RESOLVED to approve the payments.

24/067. Planning:

a) To consider new application/s:

Reference	Address	Details	Bobbington Parish Council comment	SSC decision
24/00381/TEL	Vodafone Limited Telecommunications Mast Wolverhampton Halfpenny Green Airport Crab Lane Stourbridge Bobbington DY7 5DY	Proposed Base Station telecommunications installation. Proposed installation of 22.5m High Monopole c/w Headframe on new concrete foundation, together with 3No Antennas, 2No.Dishes, 2No. Cabinets, 1No. Meter Cabinet and associated ancillary works	No objection	Awaiting Decision
24/00413/FULHH	2 Brantley Crescent Bobbington STOURBRIDGE DY7 5DB	Detached garage	Question submitted 10.06.2024 – the council request planners to assess how elevated the land is. Concern the structure will be higher & could impact on light in neighbour garden	APPROVED Subject to Conditions 27.06.24
24/00361/VAR	Land Adjacent To Meadow View Cottage Six Ashes Road Bobbington STOURBRIDGE DY7 5DT	22/01044/FUL - Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) to include the addition of front and rear porches	No objection	APPROVED Subject to Conditions 30.07.24

b) To report decisions on previous applications:

Reference	Address	Details	W&H comment	SSC decision
PRE-PLANNING consultation	Wolverhampton Halfpenny Green Airport/Crab Lane	Cornerstone installation of telecommunications mast at.	No objections. Responded to.	Awaiting Decision
TPO83/1985 T1 Willow	Bobbington Sewage Treatment Works, Brantley Crescent	Prune specific limbs to main stem, G1 Silver Birches x7 - dismantle and remove, T2 Alder - prune specific limbs back to main stem and T3 Oak - Prune specific limbs back to main stem	No Objections. Responded to.	Pending Considerati on

24/00256/FULHH	Honeysuckle Cottage Six Ashes Rd, Bridgnorth WV15 6EL	Two storey rear extension	No objection	APPROVED Subject to Conditions 30.07.24
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c) The local plan update was NOTED.

24/068. Correspondence: The Correspondence list was NOTED.

24/069. Register of Interest: The register of interest was COMPLETED and signed.

24/070. Policies:

- a) It was RESOLVED to approve the Data Protection Policy
- b) It was RESOLVED to approve the Code of Conduct Policy
- c) It was RESOLVED to approve the Complaints Procedure Policy

24/071. Document Review Tracker: It was RESOLVED to adopt the document review tracker.

24/072. Parish Council Mobile Phone: It was RESOLVED to approve the asset register and the purchase of the parish mobile phone.

24/073. Unity Trust Bank Mandate: It was RESOLVED to approve the switch from Barclays bank to Unity Trust Bank.

24/074. Any other business discussion:

- a) The Bobbington Facebook page is for Bobbington news only. The clerk is to be added as an administrator.
- b) Mike Wood is on a local tour.
- c) The primary school wish to move their sign to the other side of the hedge however councillors agreed there was no issue as this was still on school property.
- d) Cllr. Hadgett to submit apologies for September meeting.
- e) Cllr. Reade to submit apologies for September meeting.

24/075. Items for future meeting: Items were NOTED.

24/076. Date of future Parish Council meeting: Dates were NOTED.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 21:05.

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