**Backford Parish Council**

**COUNCIL SUMMONS**

Dear Member

**You are HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the Meeting of the Council to be held in MOLLINGTON, BACKFORD & DISTRICT VILLAGE HALL on Tuesday 11th March 2020 - 7.45 pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out on the agenda below**.

Members of the public and the press are welcome to attend for the “Part 1” section of the agenda. Any reports in “Part 2” contain confidential information and only Councillors and the Parish Clerk can be present.

If you have any general enquiries about the meeting, please contact: Deborah Jones Clerk to the Parish Council (Tel: 01244 853853).

**AGENDA**

**Part 1**

**In attendance**

Clive Morgan

Mike Cheers

Andrew Harkness

Ade Deary

Anita Dodd

**Apologies for Absence**

**Dave Ruscoe**

**Simon Eardley**

To receive apologies for absence.

**Declarations of Interest**

**Nothing to declare**

**Open Forum**

BARN discussion as CJ was at Mollington meeting. AH commented that 2 fibres to each house and then onto a larger cable on Grove Road. AH gave an overview of how BARN works.

**Part 2**

**24/20 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Previous Parish Clerk Issues – on going.

Changes to be made as per AD reports and letter to AM to be altered.

AH highlighted the telephone box and all agreed it was needed for future projects.

**25/20 Planning**

* **Applications awaiting approval**

[**Horse Chestnut (T2) - Reduce height by 2m, clear deadwood, remove ivy and crown lift by 2m.**](https://pa.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=Q4GQGGTE0I800&activeTab=summary)Open for comment icon

Front of 6 Church Lane Backford Ches

ter Cheshire CH2 4BE

Ref. No: 20/00228/TPO | Received: Tue 21 Jan 2020 | Status: Awaiting decision

[**Addition of Canteen, Mobile Kitchen/Cafe, Boardwalk and Tackle Shop/Reception**](https://pa.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PVXCGLTEK5F00&activeTab=summary)Open for comment icon

Cheshire Oaks Fisheries Strawberry Way West Backford Chester CH1 6PN

Ref. No: 19/03044/FUL | Received: Thu 08 Aug 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision

**No objections to horse chestnut being tidied up.**

**Concerns from councillors with regards to the culvert blocking and is impacted from the fisheries. Track down to large field used to be between axes farm and the field and always comes down to the brook. SE to be informed of concerns.**

* **Consultation Document –** Public consultation on the Draft House Extensions and Domestic Outbuildings SPD

Councillors are happy with proposals.

**26/20 Reports by Representatives**

To receive reports from the following representatives:

* Village Hall - Chair Mike Cheers

AH highlighted the recent E mail from Colin Davies. Discussion ensued re the budget v provider costs and that still waiting for the final decision from the builder. Still not within the budget.

Even with removal of some essential elements. Letter has been sent to enable match funding for the element of landfill which could make a significant difference.

Loan has to be taken by the 29th July 2020 accommodate.

SE has asked for a link from the Parish Council to the Hospice. All felt it was a good idea for a link.

AD explained that a local resident had complained about the Village hall closing and the bereavement group being cancelled. AH and AD explained the phasing of the works to a

* Backford Charities - Councillor Mark Littler

Memorial trust notice in the notice board so that any one who is in further education 2nd year can have book tokens.

* Local Issues - Mike Cheers

AD reported that one of the bridle paths from rake lane to park farm barns is to be tidied up and not work is to happen on any of the other paths. AD has written to Chris Matheson MP as this would not help given there is no continuity of pathways in order to avoid fast running highways.

Backford horse community FB page – letter to Richard Ankers bridle and footpath man for the council. Copy in Simon Eardley. Action DJ

Walked with the councillor of Backford twice!!!!

Drains down rake lane being dealt with by Chris Whittaker general local issues with drains and ditches.

Grids outside the village hall needs sorting

Driveway being done and ruined part of the village green and Cheshire Tarmac needs a letter no section 50 parked for 3 days on the green. Action DJ

CM - Thomas Farm new gate onto a public road. ? is there any requirement for planning permission.

Letter it has come to the Parish Councils attention that additional land has been claimed and now gated. Action DJ photos to be done by Clive.

**27/20 Finance**

PWLB - AH asked if we could drawn down if the funding has not been taken up by a certain date

Payments and Receipts: To note/approve the payment of salaries/wages and expenses and invoices for goods received and services rendered and to note any receipts. A schedule will be presented at the meeting.

* Bank Balance – 5th Feb current£ 5249.66 and reserve £1511.09
* Assumption that audit now cleared
* Cheque Shelley signs £346 shelley signs to be contacted to ask if its been cashed.
* DJ to contact Pauline English re re – imbursement.
* Clerk wages £147.15 paid up to the 8th March 2020

Been through AGAR 3 with the committee and annual governance review will be complete and meeting with internal auditor.

Payment for the village hall hire

* Interpretive panel – refund
* Payment for staff

**28/20 Correspondence**

**Nil of note**

**29/20 Updates by Clerk**

* CHALC Newsletter
* Police Report
* Highways Issues – no notices of intent seen and needs to be done with the end date end of March.
* Website refresh
* Noticeboard

**30/20 Matters Arising**

Councillors are invited to raise matters of information not included elsewhere on the

agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are also invited to submit

any correspondence received since the date of the last meeting.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday 12th May 2020 – 7.45hrs**