

BECKBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Council Meeting Wednesday, 11th January 2023, at 7.30 p.m.

Minutes

**In attendance – David Cummings (Chair), Peter Gibbins (Vice Chair),
James Paice, David Tooth and David De Courcey**

- 1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**
 - a. No one in attendance
- 2. APOLOGIES:**
 - a. Councillor Hopkins
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**
 - a. Councillor Paice item number 13
- 4. MINUTES:**
 - a. Minutes were agreed and passed.
- 5. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY:**
 - a. It was agreed that Matt Wild would fill the current vacancy. **Matt Wild as been contacted and accepts.**
- 6. PRECEPT:**
 - a. It was agreed to set the Precept at £10,000 for 2023/24
- 7. BECKBURY PARISH PLAN**
 - a. No updated for the Parish Plan. It was agreed that this be removed as item for discussion at future meetings.

8. **BECKBURY VILLAGE HALL:**
 - a. Village was due to hold the next meeting on 12/1/23. Councillor De Courcey was asked to raise the issue that the Parish Council was still awaiting an invoice for previous meetings.

9. **POLICE MATTERS:**
 - a. None to report from the Police. Councillor Paice informed the members that Rich Solaris Farm had been broken into the previous week. A chainsaw, strimmer, hedge cutter and tools were stolen.

10. **BECKBURY PLAYING FIELDS:**
 - a. Playground – Councillor Gibbins informed the members that the playground had now been erected and he thanked all who were involved. An opening ceremony took place on the 1/1/23 and Heidi Wild cut the tape officially opening the playground. It was inspected by Play Inspection, and it had all been passed as safe to use. The plan was to install 3ft fencing around the play equipment and that 2 picnic tables would also be purchased. A maintenance schedule would take place every 3 months and it would be externally inspected every 3 months.

 - b. Playing Fields - A letter was received from Albrighton FC with a proposal to use the field. Councillor Gibbins said the proposal was more involved than originally thought. It was agreed that this was put on hold so that the Chair could liaise with Gary Wellburn the Coach for Beckbury Boys FC to see what financial contribution that they could make.

11. **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE:**
 - a. It was mentioned about there was issued in relation to the conditions of the road with water collecting at the entrance to Bigwood Farm.

12. **BECKBURY VILLAGE SHOP:**
 - a. The Community Shop had a very busy December with the run up to Christmas. The members were told that they expected a quiet January which follows what happened last year. They were still short of staff and would welcome new volunteers.

13. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**
 - a. Reference: 22/05527/FUL (validated: 04/01/2023)
Address: Heath House, Caynton Road, Beckbury, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9DA
Proposal: Install 42m solar panel array.
Applicant: Richard Solaris Farm Ltd (Mr James Paice, Heath House, Caynton Road, Beckbury, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9DA)

- b. Reference: 22/05529/FUL (validated: 04/01/2023)
 Address: Heath Leigh Farm, Caynton Road, Beckbury, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9DA
 Proposal: Install 17m solar panel array
 Applicant: Richard Solari Farm Ltd (Mr Edward Solari, Heath Leigh Farm, Caynton Road, Beckbury, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9DA)
- c. Reference: 22/05530/FUL (validated: 04/01/2023)
 Address: Bigwood Farm, Snowdon Road, Beckbury, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9DG
 Proposal: Install 21m solar panel array
 Applicant: Mr Tim Solari (Richard Solari Farm Ltd, Bigwood Farm Snowdon Road, Beckbury, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 9DG)

There was no objections made to any of the above planning applications.

13. FINANCE:

- a. The Clerk will present the following accounts for information.

Date	Details	Out	In
02/11/2022	Playing Fields Invoice No. 265	£190.00	
09/11/2022	AK Williams (Bench)	£302.40	
17/11/2022	West Mercia Energy	£102.73	
15/12/2022	West Mercia Energy	£112.17	
19/12/2022	HMRC Vat Return		£4,081.24
20/12/2022	Playground Insurance	£47.57	
08/01/2023	Playing Fields Invoice No. 274	£190.00	
08/01/2023	Technix (Playground) PO 6624	£72.00	

Balance as at 8/1/23 - £15,602.89

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS