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| Beckbury parish council Meeting minutes | | |
| Location: | Beckbury Village Hall | |
| Date: | 3 July 2024 | |
| Time: | 19:30 | |
| Chair: | David Cummings (DC) | |
| Present: | David de Courcy (DdeC)  Peter Hopkins (PH)  Matt Wild (MW)  Georgina Porter (Clerk)ter de Courcy  David de Courcy |  |
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1. **Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

1. **Apologies**Peter Gibbins, James Paice
2. **David Tooth:** A minute’s silence was held in remembrance of Councillor David Tooth who passed away suddenly last week. His long service to the Parish Council and community was remembered with gratitude.
3. **Declarations of Interest**

No interests declared.

1. **Minutes**The minutes of the meeting on 8 May 2024 were approved by the PC as were the minutes of the annual Parish Meeting.
2. **Accounts**

Nothing arising. To be carried over to next meeting

1. **Beckbury Playing Field**

Written update was provided by PG in his absence:

* 1. **Oak tree pruning**. This has been completed by Reid Glaze. PG has reminded him to complete the commission with the clearance of brambles from the site so that the fence can be repaired.
  2. **Fence repair.** DC/PG will carry out this work as soon as brambles are cleared
  3. **Football.** Albrighton FC have accepted the offer to use the field over the summer months.
  4. **Signage.** This has been completed and erected at the site.
  5. **Events**: two events have been confirmed to be held on the playing field:
     1. Village picnic July 14th
     2. School picnic July 19th

1. **Allotments:** Nothing to report
2. **Planning Applications:**

Therewere noobjections to the development at Garden House, Cayton, which has now been approved

1. **Village Maintenance**

The new light for the corner between the high street and Badger Lane will be erected 8 July 2024.

1. **Beckbury Shop**

Nothing to report other than the continuing difficulty in recruiting volunteers.

1. **Beckbury Village Hall**   
   Carried over for next meeting: Complaints have been received about hirers parking their cars in the road alongside and opposite the village hall entrance. PG uses the bollards when he is aware of a booking. **Agreed** to notify the Village Hall Committee of the complaints and to request that they stress that hirers are to use the car park. ACTION PG
2. **Beckbury School House**PH reported that the tenancy has been renewed. The repair programme is continuing with boiler conversion and window frame repair. No further progress with the trusteeship issue. PH will make further enquiries regarding the deeds. ACTION PH
3. **Clerk’s report**

Shropshire Council:

1. Information received on the reporting process for ‘Fix My Street’ and privately maintained highways/skips/access. **Agreed:** to include an item in the next Newsletter (ACTION GP)
2. Gov.uk Domains: briefing on costs/benefits of changing from our present co.uk internet address to a gov.uk address. **Agreed:** no interest at present
3. Internships at RAF Cosford for SEND young people 18-24 – see handout – application deadline extended to 14/7. **Agreed:** to advertise on village notice board (ACTION GP)
4. Street closure: Apley Farm – Classic Motor Day Sunday 14 July. Closure of junction between A442 Stockton and B4176 Astol at various times to allow access.

**Trinity Federation (Beckbury CE Primary School)**

BPC notified as an interested party: Meeting to be held at Beckbury School 9 July at 9:30am as part of the consultation on proposal to join a multi academy trust and for the schools to convert to academy status in partnership with Hereford and Lichfield dioceses. PH to attend (ACTION PH)

1. **Other Business**There was general discussion on the protocol of election of councillors and appointment of co-opted members. This followed the death of Councillor David Tooth and the expressed interest of a parishioner in greater involvement. **Agreed:** clerk to review the protocols and report to the next meeting with a suitable draft for the Newsletter. (ACTION GP)
2. **Next Meeting**

Wednesday, 4 September 2024 at 19:30 in Beckbury Village Hall