

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PUBLOW WITH PENSFORD PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13th DECEMBER 2010 AT 7.15 p.m. AT
CHURCH ROOM CHURCH STREET PENSFORD**

Present: Chairman: Mr T Heaford **Vice-Chairman:** Mr B Watson
Mr L Seymour, Mrs S Grimes. Mr J Kelly, Mr B Watson, Mrs J Gully,
Mrs J Stephenson, Mr S Filer, Mrs S Loney. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg

1) Members of the Public: There were none present.

2) Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr P Edwards.

3) Minutes of Monday 8th NOVEMBER 2010 after being circulated and read were amended on page item e) to read 1.8 Million and not Billion.

4) Matters Arising from the previous minutes:

Car Park: There has been no further progress to report. Chairman to follow up.

Affordable Housing: An email has been received from Somer Housing Group who now wish to rebuild their connections with the Parish Council to pursue the Affordable Housing within Pensford. Clerk to invite James Read to the February meeting.

5) Items for Discussion:

a) Defibrillator Update: Two Defibrillators have been delivered to Mrs Stephenson an article was placed in the Chew Valley Gazette. One defibrillator will be installed in the Telephone Kiosk in Woollard and the Parish Council have been given permission to locate the second one adjacent to the Post Box outside the Post Office. Three quotes have been received from the electricians. One will now be asked to progress with the installation. Further fund raising events may be held.

b) Remembrance Sunday Parade: Clerk has written to the Police thanking them for their help with the stopping of the traffic and attendance on the day.

Clerk has written to David Brunskill, the bugler thanking him again for his attendance on the day. A donation of £25 will be made to the Jerome Harvey Trust. BANES put out traffic cones to deter parking around the War Memorial and the opposite side of the road. It was thought that maybe in the future a microphone would be beneficial for the Vicar. Clerk to write and thank the Vicar.

c) Footpaths: Clerk reported an email received from residents of 148 High Street, the email informed the Council that everything requested by Colin Hudson, Public Rights of Way is being carried out however it is taking longer to sort out than hoped. Parish Council to write to Colin Hudson re-iterating that no permission has been granted to move the footpath and a diversion sign is still in place. It was reported that a car was blocking the old footpath over the weekend period.

Allotments: A sign is still needed and will be followed up.

d) Noise Monitor Results: The results are difficult to comprehend. There are some useful noise comparisons given. Clerk to circulate a copy to all Parish Councillors and invite Mike Littleton to the January meeting.

e) ALCA Special General Meeting – 1/12/2010: At this meeting a majority vote decided not to wind up ALCA but to radically change how it is currently run. Working hours will be reduced and members of the Executive Committee will take no more responsibility. 2011/12 subscription will remain on par with last year.

f) Report following Meeting with Memorial Hall Chairman/Vice-Chair: A good meeting was held with relations between Parish Council and Hall Committee remaining strong. Quotes for the cost of a new boiler will be sought, also for the cost of a new heating system will be quoted for. Radiant heating lights were suggested. Lighting is needed for the rear of the stage. Hedging work is required outside. Memorial Hall Committee will press ahead and get smaller jobs carried out. There is no recently reported vandalism.

g) Draft Core Strategy Meeting to take place Tuesday 21st December '10: The Core Strategy has now been produced and will be out for Public Consultation on 21st December 2010 until early February. The total number of houses proposed for BANES is 11,000 with the distribution being Bath: 6000, Keynsham: 1,500, Somer Valley (Midsomer Norton & Radstock): 2,700, Rural Areas: 800.

6) Clerks Progress Report:

Grit Bins: Following the Council's request for a grit bin in Woollard Lane, near Langford Farm, BANES have made an on site assessment in line with their 'criteria' and informed us that the location does not fulfil the requirements for the placement of a grit bin. Further to this a request has been received from Mrs Cano Hursley Lane for a grit bin to be placed in Blackrock Lane at the top end. BANES have reported to Mrs Cano that there is a grit bin located there but there is not. I have emailed George Bottin and made a request for a bin. A reply is awaited.

A request has also been made to Trina Cummings in Highways to clear the top end of Blackrock Lane of mud on the road and vegetation. There are low overhanging branches and overgrown branches hanging into the lane which need cutting back. A reply from Trina is awaited.

Hursley Hill: An email of thanks was sent to Stefan Chiffers for the work recently carried out on Hursley Hill. The vegetation clearance, path clearing and new bollards and signs have made a difference.

Planning Enforcement: It was reported to Enforcement that a block construction is being put up at the rear of Nelson House in Church Street. Parish Council have no record of a planning application for this property in the Conservation area. Enforcement have replied to the clerk reporting that this construction is Permitted Development. Clerk to query the conservation area regulations.

Publow Lane Sign: Once the new wall has been put up, Mrs Parnell has agreed to have a new Publow Lane Sign placed on the wall. BANES have this matter in hand. Parish Council would like the freestanding sign put back up. Clerk to contact BANES.

Guys Farm: The owner of Guys Farm had thanked the Vice chairman for the Parish Councils support with a recent planning application and their prompt reply.

Railway Bungalow: Concerns continue to be raised regarding the size of the new build. Contact was made by a member of the public with English Heritage regarding concerns of the view now taken away from the 'Wansdyke' which runs behind the property. The path needs clearing between the lay by and the entrance to Railway Bungalow, soil has been left on the path.

3 Hillside Cottages: No reply from Police to date regarding the parking on the front of the property remove their scaffold sign by the bus stop.

Pixash Lane Recycling Centre: BANES reported that Pixash Lane opened on time following works to replace the tarmac surface. A much stronger concrete surface is now in place which improves walking and driving conditions in the facility.

Man Hole Cover – Station Approach: A raised man hole cover was reported in August, nothing to date has been done about it. Clerk has again reported the dangerous condition it is in.

Church Street: The poor condition of the road surface has been reported to Highways.

Chairman's Community Awards: Clerk & Mrs Stephenson attended the presentation evening where the achievements of local volunteers were recognised. Although nominated the Memorial Hall Committee were not winners in their nominated category. Terry Phillips was in attendance with his wife and Mr & Mrs Thomas, Terry was very pleased to receive a certificate for the nomination of Volunteer Team of the Year. The main award went to Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge.

Web Site: Steve Grimes has been receiving a lot of vehicle related crime reports from the police recently. These have been posted on the web site.

7) Planning:

There were no applications to discuss.

Planning Outcomes:

10/03798/FUL Mr J Jones Parcel 7100 Woollard Lane Whitchurch Bristol. Change of use of land (Retrospective) to a small private gypsy site to site 1 mobile home, 1 touring caravan and associated ancillary development including the construction of a new access (resubmission). **PERMIT.**

10/04183/LBA Mrs B Bowes Cottles Farm House Blackrock Lane Publw. Erection of a residential annexe. **CONSENT (Now Withdrawn).**

10/04826/LBA Dr R Bingham 3 Shumack House High Street Pensford. External alterations for the provision of timber windows to replace existing UPVC windows. **WITHDRAWN**

8) Financial Matters:

Payments to be Authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Salary November	536.64
Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest	22.00
Mrs J Bragg	Computer Ink	11.00
Bristol Water	Allotment 14/5 – 17/11/2010	86.11
Church Room	Room Hire Feb – Dec 2010	100.00
Tennis Club	Donation to Court Re-Surfacing	200.00

Payments Received:

VAT return payment awaited.

Defibrillator Account Balance: As at 6th December 2010 934.00

9. Any Other Business:

The Orchard: Clerk to contact BANES and ask them to contact the owner of the land on the corner in order to get the overhanging brambles cut back.

Lines at Hillcrest: Will be put down shortly. Notices have been put up.

Priestdown: A pull in which used to flood has now been filled in with tarmac.

Bus Stop on Pensford Bridge: It was reported that at the end of the school day the buses appear to have difficulty pulling into the stop due to cars being parked in the bus stop bay.

Jones, Builders Van: Parish Council to write to Mr Jones regarding inconsiderate parking in front of the War Memorial.

Tennis Club: The AGM had taken place. A quote of £3,000 plus vat is estimated for the re-surfacing of the courts. Parish Council agreed to re-claim the VAT on behalf of the Tennis Club.

Station Approach: Residents remain disappointed regarding the lack of a grit bin. The path is very steep and is very icy in the cold conditions.

Back Lane: Overgrown brambles need attending to.

Priestdown: An observation reported a quad bike distributing grit along the lane.

Parsonage Lane: A request for a grit bin was made.

Hillcrest – 32 – 47 – Residents have asked if a grit bin can be located here. Clerk suggested contacting Wayne Honey and asking him to make a site visit to all of the locations where a grit bin has been requested. Sue Grimes offered to attend the site visit.

10. Notice of Future Meetings:

Parish Cluster Meeting, Council Chamber Keynsham Town Hall.
Monday 17th January 2011.

PACT Meeting 19th January 2011 – Millennium Hall, Chew Magna.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING MONDAY 10th JANUARY 2011 AT 7.15p.m.