

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PUBLLOW WITH PENSFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 10th DECEMBER 2012 AT 7.15p.m. AT THE MEMORIAL HALL PUBLLOW
LANE PENSFORD**

Chairman: Mr T Heaford Vice-Chairman: Mrs J Stephenson
Cllr P Edwards, Mrs J Gully, Mrs S Grimes. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg

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

The Parish Council were saddened to learn that past Parish Council member Mrs Loney had recently lost her husband Malcolm.

2) Apologies for Absence were received from Mr S Filer, Mr L Seymour, Mr J Kelly, Mr P Wareham.

3) Minutes of Monday 12th NOVEMBER 2011 after being circulated and read were signed as a correct record

4) Matters Arising from the previous minutes:

Community Awards: A poem submitted by Jane Flower to the Church Magazine relating to her award was noted.

Plaque for Allotment Gate: Clerk to follow up. Chew Valley Gazette to be invited to take a photograph.

Notice boards: Have now been made and are awaiting glazing. It is hoped to have a new board installed by the Post Office before Christmas.

Lock Up Key: Clerk to follow up with Mr Filer.

Car Parking Proposals: Mrs Seymour had spoken with B&NES regarding the possible installation of a pavement by the Lock Up. This will be followed up in January.

Car Park, Church Street ownership was discussed.

Allotment Site: Progressing with no problems.

Hinton Organics Site: The Hinton Organics site and the roads surrounding remain a concern with complaints being lodged with Highways regarding the road condition. The height of the debris on site is questioned. Cllr Edwards regularly corresponds with Compton Dando Parish Council as it is in their Parish and also Mr Morgan who resides in Publow with Pensford Parish. Clerk to email Compton Dando. It was noted that lorries were travelling up and down Woollard Hill creating a mess and eroding the already suffering hedgerows. Clerk to speak to Highways to find out where the lorries are visiting.

5) Items for Discussion:

a) Affordable Housing: A meeting took place on 28th November with Curo, James Read & Craig MacDonald, and five members of the Parish Council. Discussion took place on the plans for 30 homes of which 8 are proposed for private sale. Parish Council agreed that 30 houses were too many for the purpose. The design appeared reasonable. A letter will be drafted by Curo and agreed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council prior to circulation to all residents. It is anticipated that a Public Consultation will be held in late January.

b) Parish Liaison Meeting: The meeting was held in Farmborough and attended by the Chairman. B&NES new Standards Regime was discussed although it appears very little has changed. Provision of Youth Services was discussed. B&NES Core Strategy is now giving cause for concern as it is considerably behind schedule. The impact of which is not helping with proposed housing development proposals. Cllr Edwards highlighted to the Parish Council the recent Appeal which had been allowed in respect of Land South of Orchard View Sleep Lane Whitchurch and the proposed residential development comprising 47 houses.

A presentation was given by Enforcement who report that a new dedicated Team is now in place. A chart will be distributed to Parish Councils. Mr Gordon Curry and Liz Jones are the B&NES Enforcement contacts.

A presentation was given by Meghan Rossiter on Gypsy & Traveller Sites and assurances given that the Stanton Wick site will not re-appear on any future list.

Broadband: A briefing note will be circulated.

c) Local Development Framework: Mr Heaford & Mrs Stephenson attended the LDF briefing. The Local Development Framework has been put in place to take the Core Strategy back to the beginning to discuss numbers of houses and timing. A Placemaking Plan briefing will take place in January (now February) to identify where the proposed housing will be to form part of the Core Strategy. North Somerset and Bristol have had their Core Strategy's' approved.

d) Parish Councillors: Chairman reported that Mr Wareham wishes to retire from the Parish Council, this was accepted with regret. It was proposed to co-opt Mrs Jones back onto the Parish Council in January.

e) Footpath at Church Farm Publow: Details have been received from Colin Hudson regarding a Modification Order. This will be progressed and reported at the January meeting. Clerk will reply to Colin Hudson.

6) Clerks Progress Report:

Priestdown: An email has been sent to Trina Cummings in Highways Department raising concerns about the amount of soil continuing to fall on top of the stone Gabions at Priestdown. Highways were also reminded about the guttering/ pipe which is displacing water onto the road.

Hursley Hill: Clerk has spoken to the Environmental Officer Mr Henry regarding the Noise nuisance being caused by the motorbike scramblers on a weekend and this all appears to be in hand. Mr Henry reported four complainants in total. Noise recording equipment will shortly be installed at one of the complainant's properties to record the nuisance. Planning Enforcement have been contacted and if the land is used more than fourteen times in a year for this type of use then planning will be required. A land registry search has also been undertaken and contact made with the owner of the land - which has not proved very successful.

Railway Bungalow: There is still no update from Mr Wilcox who last month promised to find out about the loads of chippings being delivered to the site. A new South Cerney drive way has been put down which may well have been the purpose for which the chippings had been delivered to the site.

Remembrance Sunday: An email of thanks was sent to Inspector Stukes for the help that his officers gave at the Parade. The donation was sent to the Bugler and the donation was sent to the British Legion.

Parking Notice - Hillcrest: The original Parking Notice placed on the car at Hillcrest was forwarded to PC Gemma Hill and copy kept for Parish Council files. No other problems have been reported to date.

Back Lane: Cars parking on the lane were reported to the Police and is being monitored. Tickets will be issued if necessary.

Woollard Telephone Kiosk: The replacement of the glass is in hand. Safety glass will replace the broken sections.

Recycling Bin for Memorial Hall: Clarification for the points raised by the Memorial Hall Committee have been sent to Devizes Textiles and a reply is awaited before a decision to site the bin at the Memorial Hall premises will be made.

A) The Committee would not be responsible for any damage to the bins or their contents.

B) Is the company supplying the bin covered by insurance?

C) The bin will be sited well away from the hall and cannot be moved on wheels.

Web Site Updates: The Police details have been sent to be updated on the Web Site. They are useful contact details. A copy has been sent to the Church Magazine as well.

EMERGENCIES: 999 For incidents that require an immediate police response

NON EMERGENCIES: DIAL 101 If you see anyone acting suspiciously, you would like to report a crime which is not ongoing, you have information relating to a crime or need to speak to a Police Officer regarding a Police matter that is NOT immediate.

BEAT MANAGERS AND PCSO MOBILE PHONES: Your local Beat Managers & PCSO's do carry work mobile phones which you can call for advice. These numbers should

NOT be used to report crime or if a response is required quickly as the phones are only turned on when that particular officer is working. PC Gemma Hill: 077487 66997, PCSO Martyn Bragg: 078251 03289, PCSO Teresa Bailey: 078107 91309

Planning/Enforcement:

Log Cabin Woollard: The question of why the residents in the Log Cabin are getting refuse and recycling collected if they do not have the permissions for the Log Cabin to be there and also are they paying Council Tax was raised with Compton Dando Parish Council. The Clerk has replied saying that "It was felt by Councillors that this request should have been made to BANES Enforcement. I have no further updates to provide on this matter, but I will update you if that changes."
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Milestone Bungalow: A follow up email has been sent to Mr Allard asking if a site visit has been made to this address following the erection of a Garage and the removal of the wall in between the property and the neighbouring lay-by. No reply to date.

Incoming Post/Emails: Student police officers and police community support officers training at police headquarters were swept up in the multi agency response to flooding incidents in the Avon and Somerset area. They have been gaining valuable experience, assisting colleagues who are based in the policing districts, who have been assisting members of the public in areas affected by flooding. PCSO student officers were sent to Taunton where the area was affected by severe weather conditions including flooding in the area. They provided support at cordons, reassuring and providing advice to residents and shop owners. They also went to Pensford, near Chew Magna in the Bath and North East Somerset area where heavy rain contributed to flooding in the area. Traffic had to be diverted due to the flooding and also because a tree had fallen on a parked car. Safe removal of the vehicle was arranged.

<http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/newsroom/ViewStory.aspx?nsid=26501>

Bath Recycling Centre: Re-opened on the 3rd December following essential repair work. Winter opening times at all three Council Recycling Centres - Bath, Midsomer Norton and Keynsham - from November to the end of March are:

Monday to Friday - 8am - 4.15pm

Saturday 9am - 3.45pm

Sunday 9am - 1pm

Over the **Christmas holiday period** all will be closed on:

Tuesday 25 December, Wednesday 26 December, Tuesday 1 January 2013

Residents are reminded they can recycle over 35 different materials at the Council's Recycling Centres including garden waste, fridges, all electrical items, cooking oil, tyres, furniture and all the materials that can be recycled in the green box. More information can be found at www.bathnes.gov.uk/wasteservices

Bus Consultation: All members of the Parish Council have been sent a copy of the Bus Consultation Responses are to be sent by 12th December 2012 See www.bathnes.gov.uk/supportedbusconsultation for further details.

ALCA: ALCA have engaged a County Secretary on an 6 month contract for an average of 25 hours/week The person's name is John Furze - a very experienced Locum Clerk

7) Planning:

Application to discussed by Sub Committee:

12/04943/FUL Mr J Beacham Chapel Mill Lane Woollard. Change of use from dilapidated building to detached annexe to Whispers Cottage (Retrospective) (Resubmission). Letter sent to planning listing concerns.

12/04498/FUL Mr I Locke Woodland View Old Road Pensford. Provision of a loft conversion including raising roof and remodelling of front porch. Parish Council support.

12/04922/FUL Mr & Mrs K Dawe Church Farm Peats Hill Publow. Conversion of a traditional stone outbuilding to form additional ancillary domestic accommodation and creation of a bat roost. Parish Council support subject to acquiring a Bat Licence and submitting a copy to the Parish Council.

Planning Outcomes:

Appeal Decision Notice: Land South of Orchard View Sleep lane Whitchurch. Residential development comprising of 47 dwellings with associated car parking, access, landscaping and public open space. Appeal is allowed.

12/04473/FUL Mr & Mrs Sivier Woodcroft Barn Woollard Lane Publow/ Use of residential annexe as a separate residential dwelling. Permitted.

Planning Enforcement: Enforcement issues were discussed and Chairman suggested that a fine or levy should be put in place by B&NES for those which build without the necessary permissions. The fine could possibly be split between the Parish Council and B&NES. Cllr Edwards to progress.

Tree Works Notification: **12/05212/TCA** Mrs Stephenson Mill House Mill Lane.

1) Sycamore - Raise Canopy 2) Ash 2 Raise Canopy 3) Willow 2: Fell - 20% reduction. Parish Council supported. Planning permission is required as Mill House is in the Conservation Area.

8) **Financial Matters:**

Payments to be Authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Salary November	581.36
Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest	29.60
Mrs J Bragg	Computer Ink	10.99
Bristol Water	Allotment Water	6.14

Payments Received:

None to report

Precept: In the circumstances it may be necessary to utilise some of our reserves to meet our budgeted income. It is possible that an increase in the Precept will not be possible for 2013/14.

9. Any Other Business:

Rising Sun Car Park: It was noted that the gate is padlocked to the car park when the Pub is closed. At times this has an effect on parking in Church Street.

Back Lane: Is in hand with the Police patrolling regularly.

10. Notice of Future Meetings:

Placemaking Planning Meeting at B&NES: Parish Council await details of a date and venue.

Benefits Meeting: Takes place in the Millennium Hall Chew Magna on Thursday 10th January 2013. Chairman and Clerk attending. Clerk to circulate details to Parish Council.

Apologies: Apologies for the January meeting were given by Mrs Grimes.

Whitchurch Parish Council has objected to the proposal by Robert Hitchins Ltd for a residential development of up to 295 dwellings on land off of Stockwood Lane. A planning application is anticipated from Horseworld who intend to apply for 90 houses. Without a Core Strategy in place this Parish remain very vulnerable

Christmas Fair at the Memorial Hall: A very successful fair was reported raising in excess of £1400.

Pavement from Nursery Corner to the Village was reported to be very overgrown again by overhanging vegetation. Clerk to report this to Highways. The Pavement is used by a family who walk their children to school.

Pensford Bridge: Concerns remain regarding possible movement in the bridge. Clerk to follow up with structures again.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING MONDAY 14th JANUARY 2013 AT 7.15p.m.