

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PUBLOW WITH PENSFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 13th JULY 2009 AT 7.15p.m. AT CHURCH ROOM
CHURCH STREET PENSFORD**

Present: Chairman Mr T Heaford. Vice-Chairman: Mr B Watson
Mr D Chilcott, Mrs J Stephenson, Mr P Wareham, Mrs S Loney,
Cllr P Edwards, Mrs S Grimes, Mr S Filer. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg

There were four members of the public present

1) Members of the Public: It was noted that although white lined over five weeks ago the potholes in Church Street still awaited action from Highways.
Hinton Organics: Members of the public attended the meeting to raise concerns regarding a planning application submitted by Hinton Organics. The application appears to be the same as the previous application submitted in 2005/06 which was quashed in the High Court. Parish Council confirmed that they will be submitting their objections. It was confirmed that a request has been made for the application to go before the Planning Committee.

2) Apologies for Absence were received from Mrs J Gully and Mr L Seymour.

3) Minutes of Monday 8TH JUNE 2009 after being circulated and read were signed a correct record

4) Matters Arising from the previous minutes:

Temporary Planning Permission: A recent reply from B&NES in relation to the new temporary planning permission rules appeared not to answer the question raised.

Pot Holes: It has been noted that repairs to potholes took place in one location in Woollard Lane, leaving further potholes and a raised manhole cover around the Peats Hill area in need of attention. The matter has been taken up with the Senior Administrative Officer in Highways but will also be taken up with John Everett. It was reported that at the recent Cluster meeting that all pot holes will now be marked and filled in irrespective now of how large they are.

Birchwood Lane: Has recently been re-surfaced, the tendering process was questioned as the tar lorry was reported to have travelled from Torquay each day.

Publow Lane: Plans for the scheme of houses on land adjacent to 148 High Street had been reviewed. The proposal is for a large house at the top of the piece of land and a possible two further houses next to the lock up. Parish Council concluded that it would possibly create further traffic problems on a difficult part of the Highway, but would wait for a full application to be submitted before making a decision.

Litter Pick: Was very successful with over twenty bags collected. All who took part were thanked by Chairman. Clerk to write to Jo Brain who organised the event. It was noted that the Car Park area needs tidying up and is currently very overgrown. The footpath from Travellers Rest up Pensford Hill to the top needs clearing, clerk confirmed that requests have been made to B&NES to get this done. Pensford Hill was reported to be in need of clearing all dead leaves away. B&NES are reported to carry out this on a six monthly basis.

BIA Noise Monitor: The tracker system panels are to be re-installed shortly and the system should be up and running by 29th July 2009. A monitor will be arranged to be placed on site in Publow shortly after.

5) Items for Discussion: a) Parish Cluster Meeting: The 500 houses proposed for the outskirts of Keynsham were discussed under A.O.B All traffic will be directed towards the A37. Early thoughts are that this will cause many problems as the access to the A37 is already poor. Speed limits were discussed and the proposed changes for Pensford Hill were raised.

b) Parish Liaison Meeting:

A Parish Charter was discussed. Civil Emergencies were discussed and what to do in the case of a Pandemic or Flooding.

Temporary Planning Issues were discussed. Mr Heaford is to write to planning and report that now the responsibility is with the applicant to ensure that an application for renewal of any temporary planning permission is submitted, is a retrograde step.

A stable was recently put up in a field in Blackrock Lane with no permission applied for. No action has been taken by Enforcement although they have been informed.

c) Parish Councils Airport Association/ Visit to Airport:

A PCAA meeting was held on 7th July 2009 to consider questions regarding the expansion.

Sgt. Simon Potter attended to answer questions in relation to traffic. The Police do recognise the problems and will study the application and express their opinion on the traffic problems which may be created.

A discussion took place regarding the planning application submitted by BIA. Individual responses are encouraged and the Parish Council will also be submitting a response with comments in relation to Noise Pollution, traffic, infrastructure and night flights. A sub-group of the Parish Council will discuss the reply. The committee will meet on 5th August and the deadline for replies to North Somerset is 18th August.

d) Footpaths Officer - Grass Cutting Woollard: The new footpaths officer, Mr John Wilkins was introduced to the Parish Council. John reported that he has received all the equipment from Mr Gillett and made a start on the paths including the Culvery Wood area. Clerk reported that a complaint had been received from Colin Hudson regarding paths CL17/13 & CL17/18. The

paths are reported to be covered in high bracken. John to take a look and report back to the Parish Council. Clerk to report back to Colin Hudson and also raise the question regarding clearing rights in a private wood which has a footpath through it. Mr Wilkins was asked to provide a Risk Assessment.

e) Pensford Clean Up Day: Covered under Matters Arising.

f) Memorial Hall - BMX Track: An on site meeting was held on 22nd June 2009 with Parish Council, Memorial Hall committee and Chris Revill from B&NES. Modifications are required to the BMX track to meet with the ROSPA guidelines. Insurance and signage is required. Clerk confirmed that she has received copies of the insurance documents in relation to the Memorial Hall and the BMX Track. A further meeting will take place on 21st July.

It was reported that the Youth Service Bus has been withdrawn from Pensford for six weeks because of the behaviour of the children.

A meeting between Mr Chilcott, Mr Watson, Hugo Pike and Memorial Hall Chairman will be arranged.

The allocated budget for the new play equipment is still not known, however the wooden hut is reported to have cost £450 and has suffered a large amount of vandalism.

g) Proposed Speed Camera Installation: The Parish Council support the proposed scheme to locate the new speed camera to where the current flashing 30 mph sign is and to relocate this sign to the Northbound site near the garage. However the Parish Council would like the 30mph extended to the entrance to the B3130 and not to terminate near Home Fields as proposed. Clerk to reply supporting comments submitted by Cllr Edwards in an e.mail dated 3rd July 2009. The scheme is proposed for September 2009. It was reported that a member of the public was knocked off her feet by a passing lorry whilst walking along the pavement on Pensford Hill.

h) Car Park - Church Street: It is understood that the Miners Welfare are proposing to let the Institute with car parking spaces.

i) Quarterly Report to 30th June 2009: The Financial Report for the 3 months ended 30th June 2009 were circulated with no questions raised.

6) Clerks Progress Report:

Highway Issues: Potholes at Priestdown and Blackrock Lane were reported after the June meeting.

Overhanging branches on **Woollard Lane and Priestdown** have been reported to Council Connect.

Hursley Hill Lay-by: Furniture dumped here was reported to cleansing.

Footpath running from the Travellers Rest up Pensford Hill to the top was reported again.

Footpaths/Gates: The wooden gate on the bridge behind Mill House in Woollard was reported to Public Rights of Way and subsequently repaired within a week. Colin Hudson from PROW has offered to meet with the new Footpaths Officer to discuss Public Rights of Way issues and problems.

Footpath by Publow Church: Is being dealt with by PROW. The surface had become dangerous and upon clearing the retaining wall collapsed. The

Conservation Officer has been contacted and a scheme is being drawn up to improve the walkway.

Parish Mag: A request for a donation has been made, however the Parish Council last made a donation of £50 in February 2009.

Anti-Social Behaviour: An e.mail was sent to Inspector Stuckes regarding the problems with Youths on mopeds and the damage to the newly installed play equipment. Nuisance mopeds will be dealt with under the anti-social behaviour legislation and any problems should be reported to the PCSO's who in turn can report to the ASB Team. The next PACT meeting takes place on 15th September at 7.00 p.m. at Whitchurch Community Centre where problems such as anti-social behaviour and vandalism can be discussed.

A new Beat Manager covering the Chew Valley Area should be in place at the end of August (PC Simon Glanfield), PC Glanfield will be invited to a future Parish Council meeting.

Woollard Lane: An e.mail has been sent to Arthur Morgan in Highways suggesting an on-site meeting to look at areas of concern in relation to Woollard Lane and Peat's Hill.

Footpath - Whitley Batts: An enquiry from a member of the public via the web site has been received. Reports were that a communication company were working South of Pensford at Whitley Batts and have dug up areas of the footpath. Remedial repairs have not been carried out and the paths are in a dangerous condition. Clerk has contacted Highways and replied to the enquiry.

Incoming Post:

- 1) Overview and Scrutiny Report April 2008 - March 2009 has been received.
- 2) Copies of Insurances held by Memorial Hall have been received.

7) Planning:

Applications looked at by Sub-Committee:

09/01957/FUL Ms Lisa Hurley Publow Oak Barn Blackrock Lane Publow. Single storey garage extension (Retrospective), (Resubmission). **No Objections from Parish Council.**

09/01908/LBA Ms Lisa Hurley Publow Oak Barn Blackrock Lane Publow. Internal & External alterations to include erection of link between main building and the converted garage, conversion of garage into study and erection of new garage (regularisation). **No Objections.**

Applications Discussed:

05/00723/VAR Hinton Organics Charlton Field Lane Queen Charlton. Variation of condition 13 and 16 of Planning Permission: 97/02626/MINW dated 02/12/1988 to allow permanent recycling of cardboard waste and increase in truck movements. Parish Council will object strongly as per original application.

Bristol International Airport: 09/P/1020/OT2 Parish Council to reply raising objections.

Planning Outcomes:

09/01174/FUL K Sobey 51 Hillcrest Pensford. Single storey side extension to replace existing. **REFUSE**

09/01405/FUL Mr D Chilcott Greenfields Blackrock Lane Publow. Retention of existing Stable Block. **PERMIT**

09/01581/FUL Mr J Packer Agricultural Buildings between The Bungalow and Cottles, Blackrock Lane, Publow. Conversion of Barn and outbuildings and new extensions to create residential dwelling (Revised Proposal). **REFUSED.**

8) Financial Matters:

Payments to be authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Salary June	514.96
Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest & Computer Ink	£10.00
		36.80
Mr J Wilkins	Cutting of The Triangle, Woollard	
	£25.00	

9. Any Other Business:

Woollard Triangle: Clarification of ownership will be looked into.

Ragwort: Clerk to remind B&NES that there is ragwort around again.

Bus Stop at top of Hursley Hill: An enquiry will be made to see if a covered bus stop can be installed at this stop.

Regional Spatial Strategy: This is still pending.

Tennis Club: A wasp nest was dealt with by B&NES.

New Recycling Days - Woollard: Recycling is not being collected on the designated day from properties in Woollard. Complaints have been made and the recycling collected the following day.

Paint for Memorial Hall: It was confirmed that the Parish Council have not received a request for new paint for the Hall, and that no agreement as yet has been made to pay for it.

Fishing Lakes: Clerk to find out if planning permission is needed for a fishing lake.

10. Notice of Future Meetings:

PACT Meeting, 15th September at 7.00 p.m. at Whitchurch Community Centre.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2009 AT 7.15 p.m.