

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PUBLLOW WITH PENSFORD PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2010 AT 7.15p.m. AT CHURCH ROOM  
CHURCH STREET PENSFORD**

**Present: Chairman: Mr T Heaford Vice-Chairman: Mr B Watson**  
Mrs J Stephenson, Mr S Filer, Mrs J Gully, Cllr P Edwards,  
Mr L Seymour. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg

**1) Welcome Thomas Jenkins - Dial-a-Ride:** Mr Jenkins did not attend the meeting, and will not be invited again.

**2) Members of the Public:** There were none present.

**3) Apologies for Absence** were received from Mrs S Grimes, Mrs S Loney, Mr J Kelly. Mr P Wareham was also absent from the meeting.

**4) Minutes of Monday 13<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2010:** After discussion at the meeting on an item relating to Hursley Lane, the minutes were signed as a correct record.

**5) Matters Arising** from the previous minutes:

**Railings on A37:** An acknowledgement is still awaited from Traffic & Safety.

**Police Force Review:** Chairman had sent an email to Inspector Stuckes in support of the policing in the Chew Valley provided by Beat Manager Simon Glanfield and PCSO Martyn Bragg. Inspector Stuckes replied that he has had no indication that his policing teams in Keynsham Policing area will be reduced.

**Donation to Tennis Club:** A discussion took place between Chairman and vice-chairman. It was proposed to donate £200 to the costs of re-surfacing the tennis courts. Parish Council members supported this.

**Allotments:** Work here is progressing. A sign will be made up by Mr Filer. Wording to be discussed with Chairman.

**6) Items for Discussion:**

**a) Defibrillator Update:** A meeting was held with Clive Setter, Janette Stephenson and Clerk. A demonstration DVD for a new defibrillator was shown. The cost of two defibrillators and storage cabinets is £4,300 which will be made as a donation to Arrhythmia Allianz. A local electrician will install the defibrillators, one in the telephone kiosk in Woollard and the second outside of the Post Office in Pensford Village. The purchase of the telephone kiosk is nearly complete. The telephone furniture has been disconnected. -A press release will be issued to the Chew Valley Gazette once defibrillators are in place. Clerk to speak to the Insurance Company.

**b) Remembrance Sunday Parade:** Clerk reported that the Police have been emailed and are willing to support on the day. Bugler has been contacted. Clerk was asked about putting out cones around the war memorial to stop

motorists parking there. Arrangements will be made for the wreath to be delivered to Mr Watson.

**c) Parish Council's Airport Association Meeting:** No report to date.  
**Noise Monitor:** Was collected two weeks ago we await report.

**d) Footpaths:** Following the receipt of a copy letter and map from Colin Hudson, the footpath at 148 High Street was discussed. It was reported that the diversion sign remains. The garage also remains and has not yet been demolished. Parish Council to write to Colin Hudson and report that in the Parish Councils' view the agreement is not being honoured. Colin Hudson will be informed that the Parish Council are making efforts to close allotments to keep Members of the Public out and stop the dog fouling problem.

**Publow Lane sign:** Parish Council would like the Publow Lane sign put back.

**e) Quarterly Accounts Report to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010:** Although absent from the meeting Mr Kelly had produced the quarterly report to the month ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Chairman circulated the accounts and ran through the Income and Expenditure sheets and the balance sheet. No queries were raised.

**Mazars:** Have returned the Annual Return after a signature was omitted. Mazars raised a query regarding the surplus funds built up. Clerk reported that this was money for the allotment costs which satisfied the auditors.

**f) BANES ALCA Meeting Report:** Chairman reported that the debate regarding the future of ALCA was discussed. The AGM takes place on 14<sup>th</sup> October. It was agreed that the Chairman will vote for BANES and North Somerset to move to the Somerset Area Group.

**g) Enforcement Matters:**

**Planning:** BANES Planning will be moving to the Guildhall in Bath. The offices at Trimbridge House close on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October. For all general planning enquiries from 1<sup>st</sup> November Council Connect should be telephoned. The new postal address will be Planning Services, P.O. Box 5006, Bath BA1 1JG.

**3 Hillside Cottages:** The Parish Council chairman emailed enforcement to report that the Parish Council were unsatisfied with the conclusion made by the enforcement department to close the case. It was reported to enforcement that the resident's car when parked protrudes over the pavement on one of the narrowest sections of the A37. In turn enforcement have now passed the case to the Highways department who have reported that a car parking on the pavement it is a police matter. Clerk to write to the Police regarding this problem. Clerk will also write to the occupant regarding the parking as he/she may be unaware that planning for this parking space was refused and a subsequent appeal was also refused.

## **7) Clerks Progress Report:**

**Church Magazine:** Clerk has sent a letter to the Rector, reporting that most months parish council minutes are submitted for publication or in place of minutes other items of interest to the parish are submitted and the Parish Council are concerned that these items do not always appear in print. The Parish Council feel that these items are important to Parishioners and hope that in future a place can be found for our items. This past month clerk has sent details of 1) Food waste recycling 2) Free cavity and loft insulation details 3) Free electric blanket testing by BANES 4) The closure of Pixash Lane Recycling Centre. Only item 4 was printed in the magazine.

**Memorial Hall:** Nominations have been sent to the Community Project Officer at BANES for the Community Awards 2010/11 - Volunteer Groups.

**Footpaths:** Following the September meeting a site visit was made by Janette and Brian to look at the proposals to move footpath CL17/22 southwest of Woollard. The Parish Council subsequently decided not to raise objections. Clerk replied to BANES.

**Footpath CL17/18** remains overgrown with bracken. A further complaint regarding path CL17/3 suffering from surface vegetation has been received. Clerk has written to Footpaths Officer asking that this is cut back immediately.

**Litter Campaign:** Clerk has sent a reminder email to Cllr Gerrish reiterating the Parish Council's question, who will enforce the fine of £75 for littering. No reply has been received to date.

**Highways:** Clerk has sent a reminder email to Highways Inspector Trina Cummings asking for an update on Parsonage Lane proposed road repairs and for an update on the footpath from the Travellers Rest up Pensford Hill. It was reported at the meeting that Parsonage Lane remains in a dreadful condition.

**Birchwood Lane:** Colin Hudson has confirmed that some sort of barrier will be installed if and when the Traffic Regulation Order takes effect. These may either be fixed or removable (and lockable).

**Scaffolding - Nelson House, Church Street:** Clerk contacted Council Connect who have confirmed that the scaffold company do have a licence for scaffold to be on the highway.

**Children's Play Area:** The Quarterly Inspection report has been received. Clerk has sent a copy to Terry Phillips.

**Wall - Old Road:** A further follow up email has again been sent to Structures Department asking if any remedial works are to be carried out. BANES have been asked if they can cut back the trees and vegetation which are obscuring the view of the seat.

**Traffic Turning Right into Hursley Lane:** Wendy Linham from Avon & Somerset Police has emailed Cllr Edwards reporting that a site meeting was

attended by officer from the Traffic & Safety Team at BANES. No contravention took place during the visit. A manual count of vehicles will be undertaken by BANES. It was proposed that consideration should be given to the introduction of a "No Entry" rather than the current no right turn prohibition of movement into Hursley Lane from Hursley Hill. Additionally BANES have identified that the vegetation on the verge opposite the junction (on the bend as vehicles climb Hursley Hill) is significantly overgrown. BANES will address this as a separate issue. The issue of prohibiting the right turn from Hursley Lane was discussed but, as this appears to be used to avoid queuing at Woollard Lane it was felt that this should be re-evaluated if/when in the light of potential development any improvements are made to Woollard Lane Junction with A37. Targeted enforcement is planned by the Police at the No Right Turn into Hursley Lane but is yet to take place. Road markings and signs are reported to be adequate and in clear and newly painted condition. Clerk reported that a Police Initiative at the No Right Turn entrance had begun this week. A motorist had been fined £30 for using the No Right Turn on Hursley Hill.

**Whitley Batts House:** It was reported to Planning Enforcement that there is now a camping and caravan site sign at this location.

**Matters raised following Clerks Progress Report:**

**Hursley Hill:** Rubbish remains dumped on footpath.

**Railway Bungalow:** Enquiries have been received from Members of the Public regarding the building works here. A reply has not been received from Development Control to find out if planning consents granted are being adhered to.

**Bus Stop at Whitley Batts:** Has the wrong spelling.

**Play Area:** Still awaits signage.

**Incoming Post:**

1) An invitation from Bristol Airport to a mulled wine and mince pie evening on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December has been received. Councillors will be updated on progress of the Airports Development plans and discussions on community funding, employment, inbound tourism and passenger experiences will take place.

**8) Planning:**

**Application to discuss:**

**10/03798/FUL** Mr John Jones Parcel 7100 Woollard, Lane Whitchurch. 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). Clerk to liaise with Whitchurch Parish Council and support their opposition to this application.

## Planning Outcomes:

**10/02667/OUT** Publow Passion Alpacas, Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling. Referred to a Committee hearing on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2010. PERMITTED Parish Council will now await a detailed application for a dwelling on this site.

## **9) Financial Matters:**

### Payments to be authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Salary Sept	536.84
Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest	27.60
Mrs J Bragg	Computer Ink	11.00

### Payments Received:

HM Revenue & Customs	VAT Claim	2425.51
BANES	2 <sup>nd</sup> Part Precept	5500.00

## **10) Any Other Business:**

**Land off Stockwood Lane, Whitchurch:** Cllr Edwards had circulated details of a proposal from Pegasus Planning Group. The proposal is for 340 houses to be built on Green Belt Land. Exhibitions were held at Whitchurch Primary School on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2010 where public comments were sought. Parish Council agreed to support Whitchurch Parish Council with their reply. Comment will be made to the short time given to reply to this consultation. A copy of the Parish Councils' reply will be sent to David Trigwell in Planning.

It was reported that the Draft Core Strategy will be before the Council for consideration on 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

**Road Markings at Hillcrest:** Mr Seymour has spoken to Dorothy Miley and she reports that the details have gone to committee. Notices will be put up for 21 days.

**The Orchard, Pensford:** Contact will be made with Mrs Bignell to ask for the hedges to be cut back at the entrance to The Orchard.

**Blue Recycling Bags:** It was reported that Publow & Woollard still await delivery of these bags. Mrs Stephenson has contacted Wayne Honey. Clerk to contact Carol McClelland on behalf of the two villages.

**Tennis Club:** Although absent from the meeting Mrs Grimes submitted a report. A successful fundraising "Blackjack" Evening raised £719. Response to grant and sponsorship appeals have not been encouraging. Biffa & Bath Half Marathon have declined support. A donation from Mr Rees-Mogg was received and donations from Carpenters Arms and the Travellers Rest were received. An application was made to Bristol Airport, a reply is awaited. The next fundraising event takes place at The Druid Arms on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October where an evening of Mouse Racing will take place.

**11. Notice of Future Meetings:**

**ALCA AGM 14<sup>th</sup> October 2010, Filton Folk Club.**

**PACT Meeting - Chew Valley & Whitchurch Beat Area. Ubley Village Hall,  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00p.m.**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2010 AT 7.15p.m.**