

**MINUTES OF WHITCHURCH VILLAGE COUNCIL ORDINARY PARISH MEETING
HELD IN WVCA HALL ON WEDNESDAY 2nd August 2017**

Present: Cllrs: A Broad (Chairman), M Donovan, M Dury, N Kirk, P O'Leary, V Perry
Mrs S Dyer (Clerk) & Mrs M Watts (Assistant Clerk)

2017/45 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Matt Donovan reported water coming out of the road in Church Road, Mark Dury asked when B&NES were changing over to wheelie bins, as a resident has asked him. It is from November 2017. Nick Kirk asked again about a bin on the footpath/cycle path, an update on this will be given in the Clerks report, as a resident has asked him again about this. Ashton Broad advised that the hedges had been recently cut back along Maggs Lane.

2017/46 RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Clerk gave apologies for Cllrs R Chandler, T Griffin & C Lewis who are unable to attend the meeting due to family commitments. Cllrs M Godwin & A Lampard will be arriving late. These apologies and reasons for non-attendance were accepted by all present. District Councillor Paul May also sends his apologies.

**2017/47 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS UNDER WHITCHURCH
VILLAGE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT
(ADOPTED ON 7th NOVEMBER 2012)**

None given.

**2017/48 TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND GRANT ANY DISPENSATIONS
(FOR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS)**

None received.

**2017/49 CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
5th JULY 2017**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th July previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting, by Mr A Broad (Chairman)

2017/50 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON 'HAVE A FIELD DAY'

This was again a very successful event, with not as many attending as last year but those who did enjoyed themselves.

It was resolved that next year a banner will be purchased to be placed on the fence the week before to advertise the event. Also extra gazebos will be put up to provide shade, as it was another hot day. The event will be held from 12.30-3.30pm next year. A total of £194.56 was raised by donations received, a cheque for £200.00 will be sent to St. Peters Hospice. Thanks was expressed to all those who helped, especially Matt Donovan who organised the races & Alice from Wansdyke School who volunteered to carry out face painting.

**2017/51 A37 TRAVELLER SITE – FOLLOW UP TO THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED
BY RESIDENTS IN THE PUBLIC FORUM AND AGREE ANY ACTION REQUIRED**

Mr Webb has kept the Clerk updated with regards his attempt to contact the tenant of the land which was recently occupied by travellers. A response has been received from Carter Jonas, the agents, confirming that they have asked the tenant to secure the field to avoid this happening again.

Mr Broad explained that he has met with MP Jacob Rees-Mogg, asking if he can help with strengthening the laws on trespass. He has received notification that the Ministry of

Justice will look into this issue.

2017/52 PLANNING AND TRAFFIC

a) To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan consultation

Mr May sent an update explaining that there seems to have been an administration error, so we are having to re-advertise the Neighbourhood Plan consultation, we are at present 10 days into the new consultation. This is unfortunate and will delay the timescale by about six weeks. In the meantime the Inspector will be looking at the details of the plan.

b) To note the current Planning Application list

See appendix A, the contents of which were noted.

Cllr Mike Godwin joined the meeting at 8.05pm.

c) To note receive an update on the Air Quality monitoring in the village

The Clerk & Chairman met with Dr Nicola Courthold – Senior Public Protection Officer (Environmental Monitoring) & Cathryn Brown – Team Manager (Licensing and Environmental Protection) B&NES, to receive an update on the air quality monitoring in the village, as when we last met in November 2016 there were concerns that some of the results were showing levels higher than those recommended. Further monitors were put in to obtain more detailed assessment of the air quality in the village.

Results from January – May 2017 show a downward trend in the pollution levels in the village, which is good news, although there was no explanation as to why this might be. Some monitors will be removed as the levels are well below the limit. Four diffusion tubes will be left as they are close to the objective, one will monitor traffic in Staunton Lane by the traffic lights, where there will be an increase in traffic, when the new developments on the Horseworld site are complete.

Further tests have been carried out along the A37, with high levels found in Pensford & Camley. They have spoken to the new cabinet members Cllr Bob Goodman – Development & Cllr Mark Shelford – Transport & Highways, on the issues with the air quality along the A37 and how traffic can be taken off the A37.

We asked about residents' concerns on sitting in their gardens on a sunny day and the affect polluted air could have. They gave us assurance that polluted air does disperse quickly, especially in open spaces and fencing is a barrier towards this.

The annual air quality report has been sent to DEFRA by B&NES and they are waiting for feedback on this report. Details will be put on the B&NES website when this is received. They are happy to meet us again in October/November for a further update and will attend a Village Council meeting if this is felt appropriate.

2017/53 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk has reported the following issues to B&NES this month:-

The overgrown vegetation along the footpath which runs between Dene Road/Saltwell Avenue to Stockwood, also footpath BA26/9 from Staunton Lane to Queen Charlton, this was reported by a rambler who stated that the footpath is overgrown and also blocked by metal fencing put up by the developers.

Rubbish and an overhanging branch along Staunton/Stockwood Lane and rubbish in Churchways, which was cleared.

Requested a bin to be placed at the village end of the cycle track, I have been advised there is no funding for new bins at present but have asked if we were to purchase one whether B&NES cleansing department would be able to empty it.

Reported to the Police/PCSO's, youths outside the Playpark leaving canister's & drugs packets in the layby, especially on Friday & Saturdays evenings.

The Chair's Community Awards 2017/2018 is now open for nominations, the closing date is 1st December 2017.

Correspondence

Details of the Local Government Boundary Commission electoral review of B&NES has been received. The Commission is carry out a review to deliver electoral quality for voters across B&NES. Consultation closes on 2nd October 2017.

The latest edition of Your Airport has been received from Bristol Airport.

Meetings

There will be a briefing session in Keynsham for town & parish councils on Monday 11th September from 6-8pm, when updates will be given on the JSP, New Local Plan, HELAA, two representatives are able to attend.

2017/54 ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR PAUL MAY BANES

As Cllr May was unable to attend the meeting he sent an update to the Clerk. The JSP is now likely to be published for consultation in about November this year.

BANES have made some cabinet changes which includes Councillor Goodman taking over the planning role and Councillor Shelford taking over the transportation role. Both of these appointments offer new opportunities to challenge the housing and highways threats to our community. My new role is Children and Young people.

The east of Bath Park and ride has been put on hold pending alternative transportation solutions being explored.

2017/55 FIELD, CEMETERY & COMMUNITY GARDENS (ALLOTMENTS)

a) To Grant Exclusive Rights of Burial

Terry Wan (Ref: Gilbert Wan)	Plot No. D71	Deed No. 1371
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Mavis Gomara (Fidel Gomara Caballero)	Plot No. D66	Deed No. 1372
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Mr Dury proposed, Mr Kirk seconded and the meeting duly passed the Exclusive Rights of Burial.

b) To receive a report on the Field/Cemetery/Allotment committee meeting and agree recommendations made with regards to maintenance on these sites.

A report on this meeting held on 26th July was given with a list of maintenance to be carried out at the above sites, including a new bench to be installed at the cemetery by a plot holder, a new contact noticeboard at the playpark, new fencing around the pond at the allotment site and also requests for quotes for tree work on the allotment site. It was agreed to go ahead with all the above recommendations.

2017/56 FINANCE

a) To note and agree the payment of accounts for August 2017

It was resolved the schedule of payments dated 2nd August 2017, as listed in Appendix B be paid.

Cllr Alyson Lampard arrived at the meeting at 8.25pm

b) To note the receipt of CiL funds and consider projects for expenditure

The Clerk advised that a CiL fund payment has been received in respect of the Barratt Homes planning application 16/02055/FUL. This is instalment 1 of 3.

This can be spent *'to support the development of the local council's area, or any part of that area, by funding:-*

- i) the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or*
- ii) anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area.*

We are required to publish CiL payments on our website by 31st December each year. We should also receive CiL funds from the other developer on the Horseworld site.

It was resolved that a small group should be set up to discuss the expenditure of these funds and the Neighbourhood Plan aspirations will also be taken into account. We will wait until details of further funds are received.

c) To consider items to apply for the Community Empowerment Fund

The Clerk contacted Sara Dickson, B&NES Council, to find out what these funds can be spent on. We have a total of £680.00 to provide initial investment on improving our village, particularly focusing on 'public realm' projects such as improving local green spaces and will require 'match funding' from the village council. Replacing the flashing 30mph sign, a new bin on the cycle track, upgrading the playpark, were all suggested. The Clerk will look into the costs of these items.

2017/57 TO NOTE THE REPORT'S ON THE PARISHES LIAISON MEETING, KEYNSHAM DIAL-A-RIDE MEETING & THE KEYNSHAM AREA FORUM

All the above reports from Ashton Broad, who attended all the meetings, previously circulated, were noted.

A member of the public joined the meeting, Mr Broad asked if Standing Orders could be suspended to allow him to speak, this was agreed.

The resident expressed his concerns regarding building work being carried out next to his property and whether the builders had met the pre-commencement conditions, especially regarding a Construction Management Plan, Contaminated land investigation & Remediation scheme. He stated that asbestos has been taken off the garages on the site and left in the garden.

The Clerk will e-mail B&NES planning department to ask if these conditions have been met and to report asbestos sheeting left in the garden of this property.

The meeting ended at 9.10.p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th August 2017

Appendix A

PLANNING APPLICATION LIST – 2nd AUGUST 2017 APPLICATIONS

- 25/05/16
16/024747/FUL Mr S Reed
Caravan between Moret & West Ridge, Hursley Hill,
Whitchurch
Erection of 1no. self build dwelling for use as a starter home
REFUSED
12/07/16
27/02/17 **APPEAL** - Appeal Ref: APP/F0114/W/17/3166414
- 11/04/2017
17/01706/FUL Mr Jan Birenat
17 Churchways, Whitchurch, Bristol, BS14 0PL
Erection of two storey side extension to form a self-contained
three bedroom house alongside No18 and a detached two
storey self-contained 3 bedroom house alongside No.17.
**OBJECT - Overdevelopment of site, concerns regarding
parking & traffic arrangements in this small cul de
sac/turning area.**
- 23/05/17
17/02398/FUL Mr Forde
Bristol Barbarian RFC, Norton Lane, Whitchurch, BS14 0BT
Erection of new club house, facilities and associated works
**SUPPORT - This will be a fantastic local community
asset.**
- 03/07/17
17/03052/AR Barratt Homes (Bristol)
Land East of the Mead, Queen Charlton Lane, Whitchurch
Display of 1no non-illuminated 'Coming soon' sign in relation
to Queen Charlton Lane residential development planning
ref. 16/02055/FUL.
**COMMENTS – No objection to this sign as long as it
does not obstruct the sight line for vehicles pulling out
of Sleep Lane onto Woollard Lane.**
- 17/07/17
17/03310/FUL Mr S Reed
Moret, Hursley Hill, Whitchurch, BS14 0QZ
Erection of 1no. self build dwelling for use as a starter home
(Resubmission)
**SUPPORT this application subject to the builder's yard
being replaced by the new dwelling. All our
neighbourhood plan evidence supports the provision of
starter homes for people who have connections with the
area.**
- 18/07/17
17/03364/FUL Mr S Page
17 Staunton Fields, Whitchurch, BS14 0QD
Erection of double and single storey side extension along
with single storey rear extension and the installation of a new
side window

SUPPORT this application.

31/07/17

Revised plans received

RESULTS

06/03/17

17/01031/OUT

Tradex Development Ltd
Chris Madden Cars, 85 Bristol Road, Whitchurch,
Outline application for the erection of 4no terraced 3 storey
town houses and 6no semi-detached 2.5 storey houses,
following demolition of existing car showroom.

29/06/17

PERMITTED

18/07/16

16/03373/FUL

Mr & Mrs J Hallett
6 St Nicholas Road, Whitchurch, Bristol, BS14 0PJ
Erection of one bedroomed end terrace dwelling

19/10/16

REFUSED

17/03/17

APPEAL – Appeal Ref: APP/F0114/W/17/3170086

30/06/17

APPEAL DISMISSED

30/11/16

16/05531/FUL

Mr & Mrs J Hallett
6 St Nicholas Road, Whitchurch, BS14 0PJ
Erection of two storey side extension.

30/01/17

REFUSED

08/05/17

APPEAL – Appeal Ref: APP/F0114/D/17/3170422

30/06/17

APPEAL DISMISSED

19/05/17

17/02368/FUL

Mr Dark
Grey House, Staunton Lane, Whitchurch, BS14 0QG
Erection of 1 No, dwelling and integral garage with
associated works on land adjacent to the Grey House.

17/07/2017

WITHDRAWN

Appendix B

MONTHLY PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

DATE: 2nd August 2017

Chq	Payee	Item	Amount	VAT
D/D	British Telecom	Phone/broadband	47.20	7.86
Chq	GB Sport & Leisure	Playpark inspection – May	48.00	8.00
Chq	Various	Salaries, travel expenses, postage, stationery, refreshments	1,470.02	
Chq	WVCA	Rent & meetings July	211.50	
Chq	H M Revenue Customs	Paye & NIC July	259.32	
Chq	B&NES Council	Pension Fund	336.99	
Chq	Your Solutions (L Gillam)	Maintenance	558.00	
Chq	Kn office supplies	Stationery	202.74	33.79
Chq	Mr A Broad	Travel expenses & gift	20.98	
Chq	St Peters Hospice	Donations at HAFD	200.00	
Total Payments			£3,354.75	£49.65