

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 18th December 2012 at 7-15 pm**

Present :- Cllrs K Hawkins (Chair), J Beresford-Smith, P Blanking, P Burcombe, L Brass, S Cast, K Eardley, S Fremantle, D Gledhill, J Heffer, M Tabb, V Trenchard and M Townley (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllrs P Fear, M Johns, D Lavington, V Pecchia, G Riley,

Attending: Cllr M Veal

C-651 Public Participation – M Veal

After much chiding the B&NES Highways commenced repair works in Fosse Lane – raised at the recent HFL meeting. Full repair costs are going to be considerable.

C-652 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

C-653 Co-option of Parish Councillor

Cllr Veal acted as Teller and Peter Fear was co-opted as a full Parish Councillor.

Proposed L Brass } RESOLVED – That Mr B Martin be invited as a co-opted member to the Village
Seconded S Fremantle } (Unanimously) Centre Committee.

Proposed L Brass } RESOLVED – That Mr N Treacy be invited as a co-opted member to the
Seconded K Hawkins } (Unanimously) Highways, Footpaths & Lighting Committee.

C-654 Minutes of Meeting held 16th October 2012

Proposed P Blanking } RESOLVED – That the Minutes be formally approved as presented.
Seconded L Brass } (Unanimously)

C-655 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

(a) Nothing raised

C-656 Chairman's Report – K Hawkins

(a) River Crossing

The B&NES officers are reappraising the designs for cost reductions.
Officers promise to visit when proposals clarified.

(b) Correspondence

The new B&NES CEO has responded to our invitation and will visit a full Council Meeting on either 5th February or 26th March.

(c) This Meeting recorded its unanimous Thanks and Appreciation to David Robins

(d) David Robins to be invited as a co-opted Planning Consultant.

Any advice to be in written form when possible.

(e) The Christmas Bulletin has been delayed until the New Year, due to a lack of progress on major items

C-657 Village Centre Committee Report – K Hawkins.

(a) Pavement at Shops

A statement was promised in December from cabinet officers.

MV recommends a request to the Equalities Officer – Samantha Jones – concerning B&NES responsibilities re: Disability Act, with copy to the B&NES Solicitor – V Hitchman.

(b) Update on Jubilee Events

The accounts are still being resolved but the outlook seems to indicate a shortfall of £2250.
Monies – for advertisements etc. - are still being pursued.

C-658 Planning & Environment Committee Report – L Brass

(a) Village Hall

The Planning Officer was granted 'delegated' powers and has approved the Application.

Lack of parking must be addressed and it was proposed that every Meeting's agenda should consider this "problem". Also to consider every suitable Application bearing a 106 Agreement for parking spaces.

(b) LDF Considerations

Papers received promising a consultation in January on revisions to the Core Strategy – but waiting date to be advised.

C-659 Highways Committee Report – J Heffer

(a) Highway Matters

1. Fosse Lane was a major topic and MV's advice very welcome.

2. Lack of parking will be investigated.

(b) Footpath Matters

5. Legalities in progress to reinstate the Solsbury Hill Footpath – missed off the "Designated Plan"

C-660 General Purposes Committee Report – S Fremantle

(a) Accounts - All Accounts cleared by the Internal Auditor - Cllr J Heffer - and figures relate to Budget

	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>
<u>Income</u>	£1934	£1850	£1500	£1411	£ 590	£2284	£2195	£2107
<u>Expenditure</u>	£3022	£(1233)	£(123)	£(201)	£ 1670	£ (508)	£1310	£3248

(b) Special Payment Recommendations

CAB £1000

(Appointments now being held by the CAB in the Medical centre – to be advertised on our website, and BREDAC?)

(c) Precept 2013 - 14

The proposed Neighbourhood Plan should consider the Vision Plan's proposals to develop the Toilet block site, with perhaps a new Playing field on the Meadows and smaller Field for children with some additional parking? Such plans might generate Precept requirements not considered last year.

(d) Treasury Bond

The existing Bond matures this Friday and another Bond, earning only 1.2% over 9 months, has been offered. Other Banks being surveyed but a Bond at £40,000 should provide for unexpected crises.

Proposed V Trenchard } RESOLVED – that The Accounts, Special Payment and Bond are
Seconded J Beresford-Smith } (Unanimously) approved.

C-660 BLA Report

- (a) The Playing field should be in action before the end of this Season.
Changing rooms and the Kitchen have been renovated and all Electrics now certified.

C-646 Committees Composition

- (a) GPC = SF, KE, JB-S, LB, DG, KH, JH, VP, (8)
HFL = JH, MTa, PF, KH, MJ, VP, GR, NT (8)
PEC = LB, PBI, PBU, KH, DL, VP, GR, DR, VT (9)
VCC = KH, JB-S, PBI, SC, KE, DG, BM, VP, VT (9) +

C-647 Report from all Councillors – representations and issues

- (a) All items covered as above.

C-648 Clerks Report

- (a) Meetings timetable – the existing spread of weeks between Meetings to be maintained.

C-649 Press Release

Nothing at this time

C-650 Date of next Meeting: -

Proposed Tuesday 5th February 2013 at 7.15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion (Precept Meeting)

Chairman.....Date.....