

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held
in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 21st September 2010 at 7-15 pm**

Present :- Cllrs D Lavington(Chairman), P Blanking, L Brass, A Creed, K Eardley, M Johns, S Fremantle,
K Hawkins, J Heffer, V Pecchia, D Robins, M Tabb, V Trenchard and M Townley (Clerk)

Apologies : Cllrs. J Beresford-Smith, R Clist,

In attendance: G Richardson, R Mimmack, Mrs P Burcombe, B Kallender, D Gledhill

C-411 Public Participation – Mrs P Burcombe

Advised the Council that B&NES are withdrawing all Youth Service monies and that the Youth Club might have to close next 31st March 2011.
The Parish Council will be debating this item at this meeting

C-412 Public Participation – Mr R Mimmack

Concerned at tonight's proposed Resolution about the Village Centre which proposes recognition of the village Plan's intentions to investigate alternative sites for a village hall.
The Vision Plan noted that 51% of correspondents wanted the Hall rebuilt on the School Lane site, where the land is "free" with options on the field alongside from the Diocese. RM circulated his bar-chart analysis of the Plan's findings.
It was noted that when lottery monies were being sought in 2007 the survey was not as inclusive as the Vision Plan, whose findings were offered in 3 separate sessions to the village.

C-413 Minutes of Meeting held 20th July 2010

Proposed	A Creed	}	RESOLVED	- That the Minutes be formally approved as presented.
Seconded	K Hawkins	}	(Unanimously)	

C-414 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

(a) Nothing raised

C-415 Receipt of Standing Committee Reports

Highways, Footpaths & Lighting – 21st July 2010

(a) The new School Hall should have a Biomass Heater sited behind the Methodist buildings with extra parking.
The "Heater/Parking" planning Application raised queries which are still to be resolved before the Parish Council can accept the Application.

Security problems to be discussed with the School head teacher. **DL**

(b) A 3rd Planning application is proposed for the replacement bridge and pedestrian pathway.

Proposed	M Johns	}	RESOLVED	- That the Report be accepted as presented.
Seconded	D Robins	}	(Unanimously)	

Planning & Environment - 3rd August 2010

(c) An application in the High Street only had the Listed Building (LBA) application. An additional Full (FUL) Application is required and the Planning Officers to be reminded of this need. **MT**

(d) An additional dwelling at 1 Lower Northend approved but a restrictive covenant for access has to be recognised.

(e) The original approval for 50 Northend was for conversion of the front building to 4 x flats and a separate semi to be built in the rear. The Developers however converted the front building to 2 x houses and their retrospective Application to recognise this was approved.

(f) No response yet to our complaint about our comments being ignored over the gate at 290 High Street.

Proposed	P Blanking	}	RESOLVED	- That the Report be accepted as presented.
Seconded	V Trenchard	}	(Unanimously)	

General Purposes – 4th August 2010

(g) These Minutes not yet approved until the next meeting set for 12th October.

(h) New Bulleting format has been welcomed by a number of residents.

Highways, Footpaths & Lighting – 24th August 2010

(k) Overgrowth in fosse Lane being pursued with Somer and B&NES

(l) Drawings of an improved pavement at the shops still being considered by B&NES.

Proposed	M Johns	}	RESOLVED	- That the Report be accepted as presented.
Seconded	A Creed	}	(Unanimously)	

Planning & Environment - 31st August 2010

(m) A Catherine Way resident wished to create a parking space, but there are reservations about reversing back into a bus lane.

(n) Well House in School Lane wishes to develop the garage into an office. Should be use by occupiers only.

(o) A proposed conversion of part of Piccadilly antiques into 3 x flats was approved by B&NES.

Proposed	L Brass	}	RESOLVED	- That the Report be accepted as presented.
Seconded	J Heffer	}	(Unanimously)	

C-416 Presentation of Unaudited Accounts

(a) July 2010

The unaudited figures reviewed by the GPC (but verified by our Internal Auditor) and indicate: -

An increase of £ 490 (April £705; May £ 564; June £ 564) in Income and

A reduction of £12356 (April £1866; May £5711; June £8474) in Expenditure – all versus Budget.

- Proposed K Hawkins } RESOLVED - That the Accounts be accepted as presented.
 Seconded A Creed } (Unanimously)
- (b) Special Payments for September/October 2010
 Pavilion Repairs £778
- Proposed S Fremantle } RESOLVED - That the Special Payments be approved.
 Seconded D Lavington } (Unanimously)
- (c) Audit – Accounts 2009 - 10
 Externally audited Accounts cleared by Mazars on 16th August 2010

C-417 Composition of Committees

- (a) The HFL is short by 1 x Member and the PEC has 8 x Members.
 Cllr J Heffer volunteered to move to the HFL Committee

C-418 Youth Club Centre

- (a) As noted in C-411 B&NES propose withdrawing Batheaston's funding.
 This proposal HAS NOT been circulated as per Parish Charter and a draft response circulated and rewording agreed, and signed by DL. (Sent by email on 22nd September)

C-419 New Village Hall Update

- (a) The Village Hall Fund has withdrawn its request for a loan.

C-420 Village Centre Resolution

- (a) This proposal was to adopt a section of last year's Vision Plan concerning the Village Centre. A very vigorous exchange of views and opinions ended in an amendment to:- (a) delete the sentence "conscious that the village Hall is an essential part of that synergy" and (b) delete the paragraph starting "declines...."

- Proposed K Eardley } RESOLVED - That the Resolution be amended as above.
 Seconded J Heffer } 6 x 'for'; 4 x 'Against'; 2 x 'Abstained'
 Proposed S Fremantle } RESOLVED - That the amended Resolution be adopted.
 Seconded D Lavington } 10 x 'For'; 2x 'Abstained'

A copy of the amended Resolution is attached to these Minutes

C-421 B&NES World Heritage Site Management Plan

- (a) The B&NES Council draft avoids the UNESCO request for a "buffer zone", choosing instead to determine where/when a buffer zone should be established.
 (b) The VPA has already responded and that response will be issued to this Council for consideration. **DR**

C-422 Park & Ride Progress

- (a) All responses from the government defer comments until spending Cuts decisions on 20th October
 (b) The VCB has protested to the government about B&NES attitude to UNESCO and World Heritage site status.

C-423 BLA Report

- (a) Meeting due this week and AGM is set for Thursday 7th October at 7.30pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

C-424 Chairman's Report

- (a) The proposal to fence-off part of the Bannerdown Common will be discussed at the next PEC meeting. English Nature expected to help fund this
 (b) The B&NES Housing Service is offering loft/cavity wall insulation free to anybody renting their property. To be advertised on BREDAC? And all noticeboards. **MT**
 (c) Report on Somers Service available from DL
 (d) The Annual Report of the Bath Preservation Trust passed to DR
 (e) The NHS Annual Report available from DL.
 (f) The "Clerks & councils Direct" newsletter available from DL

C-425 Clerks Report

- (a) The Police are requesting nominations for Police Community Awards.
 (b) The CWU union is requesting support against the privatisation of Royal Mail.
 (c) Page 3 of this month's ALCA newsletter has an article on the loss of RSG monies
 (d) The ALCA AGM is set for Thursday 14th October at 7.30pm in Filton
 (e) The B&NES Chairwoman is requesting nominations for Community Awards. This Council recommends that Janet Jackson and Pam Burcombe be our nominees.
 (f) There is now a constant stream of "media publicity" papers. The Clerk will email only those of immediate interest, eg the temporary closing of the Recycling centre from 11th October until 21st November for re-surfacing

C-426 Press Release

Nothing at this time.

C-427 Date of next Meeting :-

Tuesday 26th October 2009 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

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