

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 8th SEPTEMBER 2015 at 7-15 pm**

Present :- Cllrs G Riley (Chair), E Adams, P Blanking, P Burcombe, N Clutterbuck, L Cook, S Frayling, D Gledhill, S Hagen, P Jenner, C McCarthy, R Mimmack, H Smallwood and M Townley (Clerk)

In attendance: Cllrs A Millar, G Ward and Mr P Fear

C-994 Public Participation – P Fear

The recently issued TRO's for Double Yellow Lines alterations do not reflect the work completed 2 years ago with Kris Gardom (B&NES). PF will forward the relevant emails for HFL follow-up.
(The TROs might also add changes to the loading bays established for Piccadilly Antiques – which are no longer needed.)

C-995 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs C Bond, V Drew(?)

C-996 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

C-997 Minutes of Meeting held 4th AUGUST 2015

Proposed	D Gledhill	}	RESOLVED (Unanimously)	- That the Minutes be formally approved as presented.
Seconded	S Frayling			

C-998 Matters Arising from the above Meeting

- (a) Letters sent by RM and P Bu to Maria Lucas (B&NES solicitor) about the election fiasco but no response.
- (b) The address by Mr Johnston is noted, although many of the comments relate to activities of our previous Councillors. The present Council is committed to open discussion on all matters relating to the best interests of Batheaston residents and will use best endeavours to inform and consult when required.
- (c) Website addresses for some Councillors being progressed. **DG**
- (d) A large-scale map is to be progressed when noticeboards repaired. **HS**

C-999 Pavement at the Shops

- (a) Skanska has issued drawings of the proposed pavement, and large-scale copies considered at this Meeting.
- (b) A Safety Audit is now in progress and the B&NES Planning is considering the proposals.
- (c) Finishes are to be resolved by the HFL on 22nd September.
- (d) Finalised drawings should be available at the end of this September for consultation with residents.

C-001 Receipt of Standing Committee Reports

General Purposes Committee – N Clutterbuck

- (a) Nothing to add to last week's Minutes
- (b) Newsletter for Local Look is due for issue by this Thursday 10th September. **GR**

Highways Committee – S Hagen

- (c) The next Meeting is set for Tuesday 22nd September when the Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) for proposed alterations to Double Yellow Lines will be considered.
- (d) A thorough update issued by CMcC and problems with overhanging ivy in London Road West is being progressed.

Strategic Planning – R Mimmack

- (e) Next week's Meeting will progress the Riverside Project proposals.
- (f) Mendip Planning forum 6th October at Shepton Mallett 6.30 – 8.30

Proposed	G Riley	}	RESOLVED -	That the above Reports be accepted as presented.
Seconded	R Mimmack			

C-002 Unaudited Accounts for August 2015

(a) All Accounts are verified by Cllr Adams – and refer to Budget

	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	
Income	18446	1133	577	567	567	£ 320 more than Budget
Expenditure	2275	7965	1915	9747	3817	£ 5326 less than Budget

(b) Special Payments

BLA M/S Court Repairs £575, BLA Play Area Bark £200; Youth Club Half-Yearly Donation £1750; Annual Insurance £1632; Website Renewal £700.

Proposed	S Hagen	}	RESOLVED -	- That the August Accounts, and Special Payments, are approved
Seconded	H Smallwood			

C-003 Park & Ride Proposals

- (a) G Ward explained that the consultations commenced 7th September but there is nothing yet on the B&NES Website.
- (b) There are 3 x sites proposed at 1200 spaces each and the only information is that published in the Bath chronicle.
- (c) Contact made last week with Peter Dawson (Transport officer) who agreed that Batheaston should have its own consultation – as well as Bathampton and Larkhall.

- (d) B&NES is offering too short a time frame for consultation.
This meeting objects to this “steamrolling”, whilst acknowledging B&NES desire to improve Bath’s traffic problems. **GR**
- (e) Cllrs Millar and Ward are querying this lack of information, and why the “rush” to complete by early October?
- (f) The VPA are to consider next week 16th September – Monkton Coombe Hall at 12.30pm. **SH/CMcC/MT**

C-004 Riverside Project Proposals

- (a) Paper issued some weeks ago, hard copies issued to all Councillors, and there has been little progress on adopting the Riverside areas as a Community Asset Transfer etc.
- (b) Much work was effected by the past Council, with ‘Think Tank’ recommendations and this meeting agreed to consider the following motion: -
The BPC recognises that the motion passed 21st September 2010 is no longer workable but that a potential opportunity exists to improve Village amenities at the Riverside/Car Park/ Gardens in cooperation with B&NES.
A working party shall be established to update work done to date and to explore this opportunity further by developing a plan for the improvement of the whole “Riverside Area”.
This working party is empowered to explore and negotiate with B&NES the best possible terms for such improvement for the long-term benefit of the Village, and to establish a strategy and business plan for developing this under-utilised area. All negotiations will be non-binding until a final proposal is adopted by resolution at a full BPC meeting.

Proposed	N Clutterbuck	}	RESOLVED -	That the above Motion is approved.
Seconded	D Gledhill	}		9 x “For”, 1 x Against, 3 x “Abstentions”

C-005 Communications Presentation – D Gledhill & E Adams

- (a) Facebook and Twitter Accounts have been established for the BPC and contact is very immediate. The responses are very instant, examples of tonight’s comments already noted on these accounts.
- (b) The proposed Accounts details are:-
Facebook = Batheaston Parish Council; Twitter = @batheastonpc; Website = batheaston.org
- (c) More pictures of the Village, and the BPC logo, required. **MT**
(Sent to DG on Wednesday 9th September)
- (d) The existing website cannot be accessed fully on smart Phones, some Tablets and a complete refurbishment required. Monies approved at £700 in the Special Payments C-002(b).
- (e) A vote-of-thanks offered to EA and DG – a significant improvement.

C-006 Councillors – Representations & Concerns

- (a) Insufficient meeting time left to consider.

C-007 Meetings Timetable

- (a) New programme issued to reflect PEC and SPC alterations.

C-008 Chairman’s Report

- (a) Nothing to add at this time

C-009 Clerk’s Report

- (a) B&NES is preparing a Flood Management Strategy and comments invited by 26th October.

C-010 Press Release

Nothing at this time

C-011 Date of next Meeting :-

Tuesday 13th OCTOBER 2015 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

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