

**Batheaston Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held  
in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7-15 pm**

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

**In attendance:** G Richardson, R Mimmack, Mrs P Burcombe

**C-397 Public Participation – Mr Richardson**

The New Village Hall Fund (VHF) propose to rebuild the Hall starting next Summer. Architects drawings are needed to initiate consultation/planning applications/quotations starting shortly. The VHF will have realised their asset sale but do not have monies to initiate the Architects. A schedule and programme for time-scale and cash-flow was circulated and copy passed to the Clerk.

It was emphasised that the selected Architect – White Design in Bristol – have extensive experience of eco-sustainable buildings and their constructions were visited before selection.

The replacement Hall is NOT a “church” hall and the land and existing hall is to be provided by the PCC and the Diocese and the Field leased, long term, for a peppercorn rent.

The VHF major asset is No 60 Northend, bequeathed to the Fund, and is to be sold after the 6 month’s lease ends in January 2011.

The Fund would appreciate a representative from this Council joining them.

To initiate the Architects it is necessary to raise funds of £22,000 + VAT and £4000 + VAT.

Therefore the VHF is requesting a loan from the BPC of no more than £25,000.

After many questions the team left the Pavilion – with the Council’s thanks.

**C-398 Composition and Membership of Committees**

(a) The resignation of Mike Willard has been accepted and there are now 2 x vacancies to be filled  
Proposed D Lavington } RESOLVED That the 2 x co-optees be appointed full Councillors,  
Seconded K Hawkins } (Unanimously) J Heffer PEC to and M Tabb to HFL.

**C-399 Minutes of Meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

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

**C-400 Matters Arising from the above Minutes**

(a) Nothing raised.

**C-401 Receipt of Standing Committee Reports**

General Purposes – 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 (Report by DL)

- (a) The Police have been urged, again, to provide a date for a YCG meeting.
- (b) The Police have a “property marking” session planned for 21<sup>st</sup> July in the Pavilion.
- (c) Without reference to the BPC the Police propose a PACT meeting in the Pavilion on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2010
- (d) The Website provider is not responding to queries and will be contacted.

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

JB-S

Planning & Environment - 29<sup>th</sup> June 2010 (Report by DR)

- (e) The car port application for “Cedarwood” rejected by this council, but approved.
- (f) The B&NES Planning seminar attended by MT
- (g) The B&NES Planning Enforcement seminar attended by LB
- (h) The 11 x Hanging Baskets collected and are to be hung on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July. *Done as noted.*
- (j) Lease letter signed and agreed issued from the BPC to permit use of the Field as a construction site.
- (k) The promised pre-application meeting for car parking behind the Methodist Hall held and proposals agreed. A Planning application is now in progress.
- (l) A pre-application meeting promised for the replacement Footbridge over the brook, after construction works completed.

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

Highways, Footpaths & Lighting – Meeting deferred until 21<sup>st</sup> July (Report only by DL)

- (m) Notes of the Cluster Meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July issued to all Councillors – and B&NES
- (n) Reply received from Cllr Gerrish about the re-opening of the River Footpath received and copy attached to these Minutes.

Cllr CG has acknowledged following his letter, that the proposals by the Ramblers Association is not a satisfactory permanent solution and has agreed that if we are looking at the Footbridge to build in say 2/3 year’s time, then he is prepared to discuss this further. DL

Proposed K Hawkins } RESOLVED - That the Report be accepted as presented.  
Seconded R clist } (Unanimously)

**C-402 Presentation of Unaudited Accounts**

(a) May 2010

The unaudited figures reviewed by the GPC and indicate: -  
An increase of £ 632 (April = £ 705) in Income and  
A reduction of £5711 (May = £1866) in Expenditure – all versus Budget.



DL  
21 Jul 2010

Proposed L Brass } RESOLVED - That the Accounts be accepted as presented.  
Seconded R Clist } (Unanimously)

(b) Special Payments for July/August/September 2010

BLA = £650; Youth Club = £1000; Replace Noticeboard = £260

Proposed A Creed } RESOLVED - That the Special Payments be approved.  
Seconded L Brass } (Unanimously)

(c) Audit – Accounts 2009 - 10

Internally audited Accounts cleared to Mazars on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2010

**C-403 Replacement Village Hall**

(a) Temporary classrooms cabins will be installed next week for School use, and use of existing church Hall.

(b) LB volunteered to be the suggested BPC contact on the VHF. **LB**

Proposed J Heffer } RESOLVED - That a loan – up to £25000 – be offered to the Village Hall  
Seconded K Hawkins } 11 x 'For' Trust, all Invoices to be addressed to the Batheaston  
1 x 'Abstention' Parish Council

This loan requires exchanges of letters re: Security of the loan, Detail of Invoice Dates etc. re: Cash Flow,  
The GPC must complete a Risk Assessment. **GPC**

**C-404 Park & Ride Progress**

(a) No reply to request to J Everitt that all B&NES works on the BTP have ceased.

(b) SF is analysing the updated BTP Business Plan – and exposing many misinterpretations/forecasts. **SF**

(c) The VCB has written to the ministers recommending deletion of funding for the BTP scheme.

(d) All PCs and London Road Residents Association (LRRRA) is also writing to the Ministers - as in (c)

(e) The VCB has written to UNESCO asking for any response to several queries.

**C-405 BLA Report**

(a) Nothing at this time

**C-406 Bulletin No 25**

(a) Need a more professionally produced "chatty" format – see Claverton PC monthly magazine.  
To be investigated. **GPC**

(b) Timetable proposed:-  
Chairs Reports to DL = 18<sup>th</sup> August;  
DL to Clerk = 20<sup>th</sup> August;  
Clerk to Printers = 23<sup>rd</sup> August

**C-407 Chairman's Report**

(a) "Clerk & Councils" magazine passed to JH

(b) Notes from the Liaison Meeting on the Parish Charter Review with DL

(c) "Care Homes" guide with the Clerk

**C-408 Clerks Report**

(a) Problems for B&NES can be addressed by any Councillor by ringing (01225) 39 40 41  
or emailing council\_connect@bathnes.gov.uk

**C-409 Press Release**

Nothing at this time.

**C-410 Date of next Meeting :-**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

Chairman..........Date...21/9/2010