

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held
in The Rhymes Pavilion on 5th November 2013 at 7-15 pm**

Present : Cllrs S Fremantle (Chair), J Beresford-Smith, K Eardley & M Townley (Clerk)
Apologies: Cllr V Pecchia, D Gledhill, K Hawkins,
In attendance None

G-392 Public Participation - BLA
None

G-393 Declarations of Interest
None declared.

G-394 Election of Vice-Chairman
Deferred, as there was no nomination.

G-395 Minutes of the Meeting held 10th September 2013
Approval deferred pending attendees at the 10th Sept. meeting.

G-396 Matters Arising from the above Minutes.
(a) B&NES is conducting a complete review of all its polling stations, and the Pavilion will also be considered.
(b) The BPC Parking survey for the Estate was reviewed with Highways officers and most of our recommendations are to be adopted.
(c) Drawings for the Bridge considered and the Mill Lane proposals have been referred to cyclists in the village for comment.

G-397 Accounts for September & October 2013 – Unaudited

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

	Apr £	May £	Jun £	Jul £	Aug £	Sep £	Oct £	
<u>Income</u>	1804	269	213	884	823	494	1125	(Savings to budget)
<u>Expenditure</u>	891	3999	3679	7386	10268	8976	9891	(Under budget)

- (i) *The role of Handymen is being reviewed by the HFL Committee;*
(ii) *The Warden's activities are being controlled by the BLA Chairman*

(b) Special Payments:

£250 to help with Suffragette's Tree in Eagle Road.
The Batheaston Society to be asked to also contribute.

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(c) Treasury Bond Deposit No 76977655.

Matures on 29th November. Barclays is not offering any further Bonds, and monies must be reserved for potential Toilet block proposals.

(d) Clerk's Wage Award (The Clerk was absent from these discussions)

In line with National Agreements the Clerk's salary should be increased by 11p per hour.

Proposed K Eardley } RESOLVED That the Accounts for September & October, the Special Payment
Seconded J Beresford-Smith } and Wage Award, be recommended to the full Parish Council.

G-398 Toilet Block / Car Park Proposals

(a) The Parish Council Chairman will be meeting shortly with B&NES officers to discuss leasing the Toilet Block, Car Park and Meadow's land.

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G-399 Bulletin no 31

- (a) In preparation and this Bulletin will concentrate on information about the Place-Making exercise.
(b) The Batheaston Neighbourhood Group (BNG) is preparing a message for possible inclusion in the Bulletin.
(c) Some councillors might wish to view the draft Bulletin before issue for printing.

G-400 Precept 2014 – 15 Considerations

(a) Toilet Block at £10,000; Youth Club at £2,000 and BLA at £1,300

G-401 Any Other Business

- (a) B&NES has proposed the possible housing site of Victory Gardens, which the owner will not sell.
B&NES to advise whether the Place-Making paperwork should still be completed?
(b) CURO to be requested, again, to clear the fallen leaves on all their steps off the pavements.

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G-402 Press Release

(a) Nothing at this time.

G-403 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 3rd December 2013 at 7-15pm in The Rhymes Pavilion (To be confirmed)

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