

**Batheaston Parish Council**

**Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held  
in The Rhymes Pavilion on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7-15 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs S Fremantle (Chair), P Fear, V Pecchia & M Townley (Clerk)  
**Apologies:** Cllrs J Beresford-Smith, L Brass, K Eardley, K Hawkins, J Heffer,  
**Attending:** None

**G-497 Public Participation**

No public in attendance.

**G-498 Declarations of Interest**

None declared

**G-499 Minutes of the Meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

Proposed V Pecchia } RESOLVED that - The Minutes be accepted as a true record.  
Seconded P Fear }

**G-500 Matters Arising from above Minutes**

- (a) The judicial review for the Village Hall is expected this Autumn.
- (b) The first Newsletter has been sent out using the 'Mailchimp' system. It is intended to issue the BPC Agendas next, then a Newsletter after each BPC Meeting.

**G-501 Accounts July/August 2014 - Unaudited**

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

	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUG</u>
Income	716	1644	1997	£1700	£1168
Expenditure	1678	5327	8756	£12226	£15468

(b) Special Payments

Came Annual Insurance £1980, Pavilion Facilities = Whiteboard £70, Broadband £75

Proposed P Fear } RESOLVED that - The Accounts for July/August, and the Special Payments  
Seconded V Pecchia } be recommended to the full Parish Council

**G-502 Toilet Block / Car Park Update**

- (a) A lease of the Toilet block is being prepared by B&NES Estate officers and might be ready in draft by the end of September. BPC approval of this Lease will require a break clause in the absence of the planning approvals required for the wanted development.
- (b) Scheme for developing Shop/Unisex Toilet etc. will be now be prepared by the NPC – based on the Vision Plan proposals – for an outline-planning application. PF
- (c) An initial analysis of “think Tank” suggestions shows much support for improvements to the village centre.
- (d) Use of the new Bridge Crossing is fast much-increasing. Opening the Disabled Toilet as a unisex unit to be investigated. VP/MT

**G-503 Commemorative Seats**

- (a) The BPC is dedicated to providing seats to celebrate the Creed family and Douglas Jackson.
- (b) The Creed Family has agreed the plaque wording and, now the Bridge is in position, the siting to be confirmed. PF
- (c) A site for the “Jackson” seat – and plaque wording – should be over on the Meadows.

**G-504 Pavilion Facilities**

- (a) Agreed that a mobile Broadband facility and a Whiteboard should be recommended for purchase.

**G-505 Standing Orders - Update**

- (a) The revised SOs – with all legal references – being reviewed before proposing any changes. SF

**G-506 Any Other Business**

- (a) Today's VPA/Highways Agency (HA) Meeting indicated that a statement on the A34/A46 link would be offered this Autumn, but is not high on the HA Agenda.  
Interestingly the A350 is NOT a strategic Link and it might be another 25 years before any re-declaration.
- (b) ALCA AGM – 4<sup>th</sup> October to be attended. VP/MT

**G-507 Press Release**

- (a) Nothing at this time.

**G-508 Date of Next Meeting**

Proposed for Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014 (To be confirmed)

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