

22nd September 2014-09-21 for inclusion at the BPC meeting on 30th September 2014 in light of public petitions to be presented

Motion from Cllr Vicky Drew- Seconded by Cllr George Riley for the Parish Council to to conduct a debate on any issues petitioned for by at least 10% of our Parishioners and to act as a public body accordingly.

We note:

- There is clear negative public perception of the conduct of BPC Parish Council among a notable number with the widely consulted plans for a new Village Hall being a central issue.
- It is felt that the Parish Council may have not worked wholly in the majority interests.
- In the Local Authority (B&NES) 1000 signatures trigger a debate and the national Government requires 100,000

We believe:

- That the cohesion and desires of the wider community must be paramount to councillors as a democratic organisation elected to serve our Parishioners.
- Such a motion would show that the Parish Council listens to the electorate and is willing to act upon their concerns fairly.

BPC resolves:

- That on receipt of petitions signed by at least 10% of the Batheaston community, a debate shall be triggered on the petitioned for issue - at the meeting in which the public presented the signatures.

Proposed by Cllr Vicky Drew

Seconded by Cllr George Riley