

**Batheaston Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Village Centre Committee held in  
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7-15pm**

**Present :-** Cllrs K Hawkins(Chair), J Beresford-Smith, P Blanking, K Eardley, D Gledhill, D Robins, V Trenchard  
& M Townley (Clerk)  
**Apologies :** Cllr V Pecchia and S Cast  
**In attendance:** None

**V-094 Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

**V-095 Minutes of Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

Proposed J Beresford-Smith } RESOLVED - That the Minutes be formally approved as presented.  
Seconded V Trenchard } (Unanimously)

**V-096 Matters Arising**

- (a) Requested VCC expenditure included in the Precept forecast.
- (b) PF is investigating bulletin requirements - in a "communications" role.

**V-097 Status of River Avon Bridge**

- (a) New Crossing Footbridge  
The bridge design is now likely to be in timber with a steel sub-structure.  
The bridge designers have yet to meet with Development Control Planners.
- (b) Funding  
The funding for the Crossing Bridge is confirmed and "ring-fenced" by B&NES.

**V-098 Pavement at Shops**

- (a) Scheme Approval  
Designs are in progress with B&NES officers. Funding will be determined early in the New Year.
- (b) Grant Application  
Grant Application registered, acknowledged and decisions due early in New Year.

**V-099 Pedestrian-Priority – High Street**

- (a) Proposals & Recommendations  
DG is to meet with cabinet member before end of January. **DG**

**V-100 Jubilee Event 2012**

- (a) Sub-Committee Proposals  
Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012 when the entire Programme for the weekend was discussed.  
Next meeting set for Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February. To be advertised as widely as possible. **MT**  
A Music Event might be possible in the RC Church and enquiries in progress.
- (b) Grant Application.  
The B&NES "Small Grants Scheme" not available (at this time) and alternatives being investigated. **VP**  
This meeting agreed that monies be allocated for hire of marquee and possible advertising costs.
- (c) An offer of free trees for Jubilee planting received. **ALL**  
All Councillors asked to advise on potential planting sites, maybe along the River Avon bank?

**V-101 Place-Making**

- (a) Planning Policy Proposals  
The Government Inspector has commenced his Inquiry and DR has booked a representation at the Green Belt/Buffer Zone section.
- (b) Programme for the LDF  
A response to B&NES consultation request on proposed Gypsy/Travellers sites prepared - and agreed by the PEC. This response to be issued to B&NES by 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012. **MT**  
(Sent 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012)
- (c) Media Training  
A second Training session is pending volunteers from Councillors – KE, PF & VT have responded, but more participants desirable. Will offer session in the Spring.

**V- 102 Standing Orders**

- (a) A copy of the existing Terms of Reference issued for review at the next VCC Meeting. **ALL**
- (b) Delegated "spending" proposal to be reviewed with (a) above.

**V-103 Any Other Business**

- (a) Potholes in Barnfield Way have now been acknowledged by B&NES and repairs in progress.

**V-104 Press Release**

- (a) Nothing at this time

**V-105 Date of next Meeting: -**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion**

**Chairman.....Date.....**