

Minutes of Camerton Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 23 January 7.30 pm at Purbeck Stables

Present: **Councillors:** C Taylor, M Hutton, T Fry, B Edwards, H Edwards, C Sagan, District Cllr D Veale and 2 guests (possible candidates for Bathavon South Ward in 2019 local elections)
Clerk: Kathryn Manchee

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Lithgo.

2. Declarations of Interests

None.

3. Dispensations

None.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting 5 December

The minutes of the meeting held 5 December having been previously circulated were proposed Cllr Hutton, seconded Cllr Sagan as a true record of the meeting. Approved and signed by the Chair.

5 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

5.1 Parishioners' Matters

Clerk to respond regarding the complaint about removal of the dog bins. It was agreed to publicise in the next parish newsletter that bagged dog mess can be disposed in one of the B&NES owned litter bins in the parish or in your domestic waste bin at home.

Clerk to report potential drainage issue to the parks department at B&NES Council.

5.2 Report from the Community Bus Steering Group Representative

Cllr B Edwards couldn't attend the first meeting so one of our guests Cllr Naish of Clutton Parish Council reported on the work of this group. First Bus sent a consultant to work with the nine parishes on a community bus. The first step is to survey residents of the nine parishes involved supported by students from UWE. An article on the group's work to be provided for the parish newsletter and the survey to be distributed with the next issue.

6 FINANCE

6.1 Payments for Approval

Payments to Ratify

5 December	Cheque No 1188	Winter Newsletter Printing	£193.00
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Payments for Approval

23 January	Cheque No 1189	Dial A Ride Grant	£50.00
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23 January	Cheque No 1190	BANES Payroll Oct to Dec	£3031.77
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Proposed Cllr Hutton, Seconded Cllr Sagan. Approved.

6.2 Financial Report

The balance of funds as at 23 January is £13,765.20. Forecast against Budget 2018 2019. Total receipts forecast to be up £226 at year end as compared to budget. Total Payments forecast to be down by £2,695. Overall this means that the deficit is forecast to be £382 at year end as compared to the budget deficit of £3,303.

6.3 Approval of Budget 2019 2020 and Precept Level 2019 2020

It was proposed Cllr Fry, seconded Cllr H Edwards that a budget with a 1.99% increase in the precept be agreed increasing the cost for a Band D Household by 47p per annum.

7 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS

7.1 Highway Related Matters

It was agreed to investigate the idea of setting up a Community Speedwatch group with other parishes so volunteers can work in a parish other than the one where they live.

Missing 20 mph sign opposite the NOS to be reported to B&NES.

District Cllr Veale will investigate B&NES current policy on 20 mph speed limits.

Parishioners will be asked their opinion on removal of the 20 mph VAS sign by the former school at the Annual Parish Meeting.

7.2 Public Rights of Way Matters

The long standing footpath issue should be resolved soon.

8 PLANNING

8.1 Reports of BANES Planning Decisions

18/04879/FUL Woodview New Pit Cottages Erection of replacement dwelling and garage following demolition of existing structures. PENDING DECISION. However we have today received a consultation notice for another proposal for this location. Erection of 3 bed dwelling and double garage following demolition of existing property Reference Number: 19/00059/FUL. An extension has been granted so this new application for this site is on the agenda for the 27 February meeting.

REF 18/03544/FUL Redhill House Red Hill Camerton Erection of fence along part of the boundary of the property. (Retrospective). PENDING DECISION

Planning Application REF 18/04893/FUL Camerton Community Hall Weekesley Lane Erection of timber storage building with workshop, toilet and ancillary office space PENDING DECISION

Planning Application REF 18/05262/FUL 3 Canal View Erection of ground floor side extension APPROVED

8.2 Planning Correspondence and other Planning Related Matters

New Local Plan Options Consultation Response Submitted.

8.3 Planning Application REF 19/00025/FUL Old Hayhurst House Stoneage Lane Tunley Erection of bespoke timber and double glazed garden room following demolition of existing. As it is not in the parish the parish council will not be responding to this consultation.

8.4 Planning Application REF 19/00056/TPO Woodside Red Hill 1x Ash T1 – fell. The parish council unanimously supported this work going ahead.

9 Parish Council Representative Reports – Camerton Community Hall, Environment Enhancement, CBLNR and Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr B Edwards reported that at the ALCA meeting it was advised parish councils should establish that where they are trustees for their local community facilities the type of trusteeship should be clarified.

Cllr Hutton reported that the request from the Somerset Miners Welfare Fund for information relating to the community hall should not have been sent to us.

10 Reports by Clerk/Councillors

Cllr Hutton reported that the recipient of the George Coombs Award was delighted.

Cllr Sagan – very unhappy with the quality of the work by Truespeed on Red Hill. Clerk to contact Truespeed about this and the connection for the hall. If there are further problems councillors to report to the clerk immediately so Truespeed's engagement officer can be contacted to resolve the issue.

Cllr Fry – Following the report at the previous meeting that a tree has fallen into a neighbouring field there is good news. While this could happen again it is not a problem as the landowner happy to clear fallen trees so long as he can keep the timber.

Cllr D Veale – reported on 3 hotels granted planning permission in Bath, the possibility of HMOs extending into rural areas and the threat to existing businesses from the increase in Air BnB.

10 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

The meeting Closed 8.50 pm. Date of next parish council meeting Wednesday February 27 7.30pm at Purbeck Stables.

Date: Signature: Cllr Taylor (Chairman)