

Minutes of Camerton Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 15 February 7.30 pm Camerton Community Hall

Present: Cllr Hutton (Acting Chair) Cllr H Edwards, Cllr B Edwards, Cllr Randall, Cllr Collins, Cllr Sangan, Ward Cllrs M McCabe and N Butters, the Community Speedwatch administrator, one parishioner and the clerk Kathryn Manchee

Before the meeting commenced a one minute silence was observed for the late Chairman Cllr Chris Taylor.

1. Apologies for absence

None.

2. Declarations of Interests

None.

3. Dispensations

None.

4 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

4.1 Parishioners Matters None.

4.2 WECA's Introduction of Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Bus Services Ward Cllr McCabe provided the parish council with an update on this scheme along with the news that a new 522 service running from the Brislington Park and Ride to the Bath Park and Ride via Midsomer Norton will serve Camerton. Unfortunately there are lots of as yet unanswered questions on the new DRT service. Once these have been answered by the West of England Combined Authority we can all work together to provide information on the service to parishioners.

4.3 Approval of the Minutes of 4 January 2023 Parish Council Meeting Approved and signed by the chair.

4.4 CBLNR

4.3.1 Consideration of the future of the Batch through consideration of Management by or Transfer to Forest of Avon Trust Charity subject to clarification of the legal position and consultation with parishioners and the management committee With ever increasing costs for the parish council and the numbers on the heritage committee dwindling it was agreed to talk to the Forest of Avon about the best way to work together to maintain the Batch. There are several possible options that could be pursued. The heritage committee support the idea as the Forest of Avon trustee leading on this has been heavily involved in working with the Batch previously. Cllr Collins will invite the Forest of Avon trustee to the next parish council meeting.

5 FINANCE

5.1 Payments for Approval.

Payments to Ratify

31 January	Standing Order	Net January salaries for clerk and sweeper	£1107.76
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Payments for Approval

15 February	Bank Transfer	Payroll Admin	£66.00
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15 February	Bank Transfer	Clerks Expenses Dec/Jan	£65.10
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Plus an additional payment for Editor's Expenses for Spring Newsletter to be ratified at the next meeting.

Unanimously approved.

5.2 Financial Report

The balance of funds as at 15 February is £14,726.02.

5.3 Update on Unity Trust Bank Current Account Application

The new bank account is now open and internet registration for signatories taking place. Once this complete all future payments can be made online with the clerk setting them up and approval by two signatories. The clerk will now be setting up new savings accounts for the parish council and the George Coombs Charity.

6 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS

6.1 Highway Related Matters.

6.1.1 Update on Red Hill Build Outs All outstanding work has been completed. This now means that the speed limit in the 20 mph zone is enforceable.

6.1.2 Consideration of Purchase and Installation of Signage (including VAS) to support the Community Speedwatch Group Before the meeting the Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator circulated via the clerk information on both small Community Speedwatch and Vehicle Activated Signage. After some debate about whether signage would be effective or not it was agreed that the parish council would look at the information provided. The Community Speedwatch Group are having trouble getting PCSOs to attend sessions especially as Camerton's PCSO has just been seconded to Paulton. The group is now operating from more sites. The parish could also consider requesting

the deployment of speed capturing equipment from the police but that would only be effective if there is a budget to make improvements if the results indicate that additional measures are required.

6.2 **Public Rights of Way** Nothing to report.

7 PLANNING

7.1 Reports of BANES Planning Decisions

Planning Application REF 22/02169/EOUT Parcel 4234 Combe Hay Lane Combe Hay Outline application for Phases 3 and 4 for up to 300 dwellings PENDING DECISION

Planning Applications REF 22/01768/FUL and 22/01769/LBA Cheddar House Tunley Farm Tunley Hill Camerton Extend existing kitchen/utility room, convert existing store to habitable rooms, minor works to porch & other internal rooms PENDING DECISION

Planning Application REF 22/04173/FUL Parcel 8408 Wick Lane Change of use from Sui Generis to domestic garden. PENDING DECISION

Planning Application REF 22/04172/CLEU Parcel 8408 Wick Lane Use of garage as Sui Generis (Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use). PENDING DECISION.

Planning Application REF 22/04899/FUL Densley View, Bath Road, Tunley Erection of a single and double storey side extension following the demolition of the existing garage and utility room. PENDING DECISION.

Planning Application REF 22/04787/FUL Parcel 2065 Meadgate East Camerton Construction of an agricultural access off Camerton Road, to include erection of a gate (Partially retrospective) PENDING DECISION.

Planning Application REF 22/03352/FUL Crosspath Cottage Camerton Hill Erection of single-storey extension, first-floor dormer and internal alterations. Erection of extension to shed. APPROVED.

7.2 **Planning Correspondence and other Planning Related Matters** Cllr B Edwards attended a workshop on the new local plan. The update to the local plan has been adopted

7.3 **Consideration of a Response to the Consultation on Planning Application REF 23/00414/FUL Fieldview House Bath Road Tunley Erection of new double garage on existing drive of house** The parish council unanimously voted to support this application.

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

Reports were circulated prior to the meeting. **Neighbourhood Watch.** Since this was issued there has been a fatal accident in Wellow.

9 Reports by Clerk/Councillors

A number of issues to be reported by the clerk via Fix My Street. These include requesting an update on the state of Whitebrook Lane already reported, gap on the edge of the pavement on Camerton Hill, state of pavements Skinner Hill and Tunley Hill, cigarette butt litter at Radford.

Vehicles parking on double yellow lines junction Weekesley Lane/Durcott Lane. This issue to be raised with the police.

10 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting Wednesday 15 March 7.30 pm meeting room Camerton Community Hall.

Meeting closed 8.50 pm.

Date: Signature: Cllr Hutton