

**Minutes of Camerton Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 13 September 7.30 pm Camerton Community Hall**

**Present:** Cllr Collins, Cllr L Randall, Cllr B Edwards, Cllr H Edwards, Cllr Hutton, Cllr Sangan, the clerk Kathryn Manchee, Ward Cllr McCabe and 6 parishioners.

**1. Election of Chairman**

Cllr Collins was unanimously elected as chairman for the meeting.

**2. Apologies for absence**

Ward Councillor F Gourley.

**3. Declarations of Interests**

As the parish council owns the adjacent Batch parish councillors all have an interest in the planning application for agenda item 8.3.

**4. Dispensations**

All parish councils requested and were granted a dispensation by the clerk to vote on agenda item 8.3.

**5 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS**

**5.1 Parishioners Matters** Some complaints have been made about the state of the Coke Oven Copse in terms of overgrown vegetation. Unfortunately the land isn't owned by either BANES or the parish council. However it will be reported via Fix My Street. If this doesn't achieve the desired result it then to be reported to the Clean and Green Team and then the rambles.

**5.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 19 July 2023** Approved and signed by the chair.

**5.3 Sweeper Service** As the current sweeper is leaving at the end of the month it was agreed to put revising the job description on the agenda for the next meeting,

**5.4 Progress Report on CBLNR Future Relationship with the Forest of Avon** Following the site meeting with the trustees of the Forest of Avon it was agreed to put consideration of the nature of the future relationship on the agenda for the next meeting.

**5.5 Update on Defibrillator Installation x 2 in the parish.** Following the response from Curo it was agreed to contact a local parishioner about installation of the second defibrillator in another part of the parish.

**5.6 Consideration of Acceptance of Metal Miner for Installation in Camerton** It was agreed by 4 votes to 2 to accept the offer but the proposed location to now be on Tunley Hill adjacent to the Welcome to Camerton sign.

**5.7 Consideration of Requesting Improvements to the Play Park from BANES Council.** Based on suggestions already received clerk to contact BANES about possible improvements to the park.

**6 FINANCE****6.1 Payments for Approval.****Payments to Ratify**

|           |                |   |           |
|-----------|----------------|---|-----------|
| 31 July   | Standing Order | Net July salaries for clerk and sweeper   | £1,243.40 |
| 31 August | Standing Order | Net August salaries for clerk and sweeper | £1,243.20 |

**Payments for Approval**

|              |               |                                  |         |
|--------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| 13 September | Bank Transfer | Clerks Expenses June July        | £156.29 |
| 13 September | Bank Transfer | CPRE Membership Renewal          | £36.00  |
| 13 September | Bank Transfer | Editor Expenses                  | £50.00  |
| 13 September | Bank Transfer | Hall Hire April to July meetings | £60.00  |
| 13 September | Bank Transfer | Payroll Services April to Sep 23 | £66.00  |
| 13 September | Bank Transfer | Autumn Newsletter Printing       | £272.00 |

Plus an additional payment of the external auditor invoice of £252 to be ratified at the 1 November meeting. Unanimously approved.

**6.2 Financial Report** The balance of funds as at 13 September is £15,454.86

**6.3 Signing of letter to TSB by 2 signatories to arrange transfer of all remaining funds to new G Coombs Account** This signed by two signatories.

**7 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS**

**7.1 Highway Related Matters.** Speeding at Meadgate. It was agreed to request speed data capture boxes be installed at Meadgate

**7.2 Public Rights of Way** A blocked PROW to be reported to BANES.

**8 PLANNING****8.1 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 Application REF 23/01117/FUL The Court Rooms Camerton Hill Camerton Erection of 2no. detached family dwellings following demolition of existing school block APPROVED

**8.2 Planning Correspondence and other Planning Related Matters** The clerk attend a planning workshop in July and Cllr Randall attending one later this month.

**8.3 Consideration of a Response to the Consultation on Planning Application REF 23/02662/FUL Land West Of Woodview, New Pit Cottages, Camerton Erection of boundary fence together with two small buildings to establish a day time dog care business** The parish council unanimously resolved to object to this application. While the parish council would welcome business to Camerton this location is unsuitable.

**8.4 Consideration of a Response to the Consultation on Planning Application REF 23/03019/FUL Camerton Inn 28 Meadgate East Camerton Demolition of existing garage and erection of new garage building** The parish council unanimously resolved to support this application.

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

The reports were circulated prior to the meeting.

**10 Reports by Clerk/Councillors/District Councillors**

Cllr Hutton – white lines on Skinners Hill need repainting and the pavement behind Camerton House needs clearing of vegetation. To be reported via Fix My Street.

Cllr Edwards – requested an update on the VAS sign and reported the state of the bus shelter at Meadgate. BANES to be contacted about both of these issues

Cllr McCabe – reported on the bus meeting held in the Chew Valley but reported that the WECA Mayor still not responding to concerns.

**10 CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting Wednesday 1 November 7.30 pm. Apologies received from Cllr Hutton who won't be able to attend. Meeting closed 9.43 pm.

Date: ..... Signature: ..... Chair