Minutes of Camerton Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 24 July 2024 7.30 pm Camerton Community Hall

Present: Cllr L Randall, Cllr Hutton, Cllr B Edwards, Cllr H Edwards, Cllr Sangan from agenda item 4.3.2, the

clerk Kathryn Manchee and 1 parishioner

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Sangan for late arrival.

2. Declarations of Interests

None.

3. Dispensations

None.

4 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

- **4.1 Parishioners Matters** The state of the footpath on Red Hill has been raised by 2 parishioners and has already been reported to BANES via Fix My Street.
- **4.2** Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 19 June 2024 Approved and signed.
- 4.3 CBLNR .
- **4.3.1 Consideration of the Nature of the CBLNR Future Relationship with the Forest of Avon Trust** Nothing new to report.
- **4.3.2** If required Consideration of Approval to undertake work to remove tree(s) Subject to quotes from the parish council's existing supplier(s) the parish council unanimously approved work to remove a dead tree close to a neighbouring property. Supplier to also assess state of other trees located on the edge of the Batch.
- 4.4 Update on Dunkerton & Tunley Parish Council's Proposal to Progress Moving Upper Tunley into Dunkerton & Tunley Parish. Nothing new to report.
- **4.5 Update on Diverting Existing or New Bus Services to serve the main part of Camerton** There is no appetite to change the route of the 2V service but other options being pursued albeit slowly.

5 FINANCE

5.1 Payments for Approval.

20/06/2024	Bank Transfer	Summer Newsletter and flyer	£328.00	
20/06/2024	Bank Transfer	Summer Planting Truck	£80.00	
24/06/2024	Bank Transfer	Green Trees Step Work	£4,992.00	
30/06/2024	Bank Charge	Bank Fee for Administration	£18.00	
30 June	Standing Order	Clerks Net June Pay	£754.40	
17 July	Bank Transfer	HMRC Tax and NI	£219.06	
Payments for Approval				

All unanimously approved

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5.2 Financial Report including 1st **quarter forecast** The balance of funds as at 24 July is £25,489.27 and without Batch reserves is £23,256.82. **1st quarter forecast against Budget for 2024 2025** After the first three months of the year total receipts forecast to be down year end £1,433 compared to the budget and total expenditure forecast down £6,966 compared to the budget (primarily due to the decision not to recruit a replacement sweeper). Year end deficit was budgeted to be £3,768. Based on the first quarter forecast the budget will achieve a surplus of £1,765. A report on the key variances was circulated prior to this meeting.

To Savings Account

5.3 Consideration of Approval of Updated Financial Regulations based on the New Model Financial Regulations Template produced by NALC The parish council unanimously resolved to approve these.
5.4 Consideration of replacing/repairing Camerton's Fingerposts using a contribution from the Ward Councillors' Empowerment Fund As the amount that the parish council will receive from the fund would be nowhere enough to fund the work on the fingerposts it was unanimously resolved to apply for the £150 for paint and wood for new flowerboxes.

6 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS

Internal Transfer

- 6.1 Highway Related Matters
- **6.1.1** Consideration of a Response to the Consultation on B&NES Council's Transport Strategy "Creating Sustainable Communities in North East Somerset" and "Active Travel Masterplan" The clerk to draft a response which to be approved by email before submission. This will request several measures to encourage active

£5.000

travel and sustainable communities comprising pedestrian improvements, speed reduction measures and a better bus service serving other parts of the parish as well as Meadgate.

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

7 PLANNING

7.1 Reports of BANES Planning Decisions

Planning Application REF 23/02825/FUL Parcel 1172, Radford Hill, Radford Paulton Change of use of the land to a single caravan pitch for a gypsy and traveller family including the siting of one static caravan, 1 touring caravan and dayroom and associated access and hard surfacing (Part Retrospective). PENDING CONSIDERATION Planning Application REF 24/01659/CLEU Development Site Opposite Woodview, New Pit Cottages Conversion of outbuilding to 1no. dwelling (Certificate of Lawfulness for an Existing Development). PENDING CONSIDERATION Planning Application REF 24/02311/FUL Hawkesbury House, Skinners Hill, Camerton, Proposal: Erection of new front porch PENDING DECISION

Planning Application REF 24/01932/FUL Homelands 9 Camerton Hill Erection of rear extension and undercroft following demolition of existing undercroft, garage store, lean-to and conservatory. Resubmission. APPROVED

- 7.2 Planning Correspondence and other Planning Related Matters Nothing to report
- 7.3 Consideration of a Response to the Consultation on Planning Application REF 24/02468/VAR Application for Variation of Condition Hedgerows Parkway Lane Camerton Variation of condition 2 (Plans List) of application 23/04130/FUL (Conversion of main house loft to create three additional bedrooms to the first floor. Conversion of existing garage structure to form new pool house. Replacement of existing workshop to create new double garage with bedroom accommodation above). The parish council unanimously resolved to support this application as it supported the original application.

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

Apart from items already elsewhere on the agenda nothing new to report.

9 Reports by Clerk including correspondence/Councillors and District Councillors

Cllr B Edwards queried whether the VAS sign was reinstated after its repair the wrong way round This to be checked. Vegetation along Weekesley Lane from Meadgate to Radford needs trimming. To be reported to Fix My Street if hedge trimming allowed at this time of the year under the new rules.

New PCSOs surgery times need to be provided. Clerk to request.

Cllr Hutton – white lines in Camerton on Skinners Hill to Peasedown St John need repainting. Clerk to report via Fix My Street.

Need a volunteer who lives in that part of the parish to deliver to Overdale. Have 2 volunteers as a fall back but they do not live in this part of the parish.

Cllr Sangan – in the Red Hill area lots of power cuts recently. The work being undertaken by National Grid may be to resolve this but to be checked.

10 Date of Next Meeting
Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 4 September 7.30 pm The meeting closed 8.40 pm
Date: Chair