Batheaston Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 8th December 2015 at 7-15 pm

Present: Cllrs G Riley (Chair), E Adams, P Blanking, C Bond, P Burcombe, N Clutterbuck, L Cook, S Frayling, D Gledhill, C McCarthy, R Mimmack, and M Townley (Clerk)

In attendance: Cllr M Veal and T Davies, B Johnson, A Giles, P Davenport, P Giles, F Robertson, Mrs S Robertson, Ms K Eardley

This Meeting was to consider the Planning application no 15/05152/FUL made by the Batheaston New Village Hall Trust (BNVH) to erect a Village Hall after demolishing the existing Church Hall in School Lane.

C-049 Presentation – Tim Davies (Chairman BNVH)

Mr Davies had presented a briefing to the BPC in 16th June, advising that there much gathering of information in progress – preparing for the above submission. This information has considered all the points raised by the BPC in October 2013 and this new Application recognises all of the points raised and the B&NES policies. The 2 x Judicial Reviews were directed at B&NES mishandling of procedures. A paper outlining all the “corrections” was issued to all Councillors. The application reasserts that the Hall will be a community facility for all Village activities. Hours of use will run from 8.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. (10.30 p.m. on Sundays) with up to a maximum of 26 Friday and/or Saturday events finishing at midnight. An application for a Premises Licence will be made at a later date to include sale of alcohol until no later than 11.00 p.m. (10.30 p.m. on Sundays)

A very detailed traffic analysis completed by Consultants and there are no plans to provide additional dedicated parking inside the grounds – the field stays in present use.

There was a question time for Councillors and the Public which echoed the positive impression and congratulated the BNVH for their persistence in pursuing this much-needed renovation. Mr Davbies, and the Trust, was thanked for his presentation.

The Meeting commenced and Standing Orders exercised.

C-050 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs V Drew, S Hagen,

C-051 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs P Burcombe, C Bond and R Mimmack are BNVH Trustees and, whilst able to participate in the discussions, will be unable to vote.

C-052 Planning Application 15/05152/FUL

The Meeting had asked all necessary questions in the above Presentation by Mr Davies and were ready to consider this Council’s position.

RESOLUTION This Council welcomes the new Application from the Trustees of the Batheaston New Village Hall. The replacement of the old Church Hall is long overdue and will provide attractive, modern, sustainable facilities for a wide variety of social, artistic, educational and recreational facilities. The Applicants are to be congratulated for undertaking detailed studies into the impacts of traffic and parking and noise breakout, and on bat habitats and trees.

We commend the Application for approval by the Bath and North East Somerset Council at the earliest opportunity

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C-053 Press Release

Cllr D Gledhill and the BNVH Trust will develop a Press release for the Bath Chronicle.

C-054 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 19th January 2016 at 7-15pm in The Rhymes Pavilion (Precept)

Sent 9th December 2015

Support

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