

Batheaston Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 31st MAY 2016 at 7-15 pm

Present :- Cllrs G Riley(Chair), E Adams, P Corley, S Frayling, S Hagen, C McCarthy, R Mimmack, D Redding & M Townley (Clerk)

In attendance: None

C-140 Public Participation

None

C-141 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs C Bond, P Burcombe, N Clutterbuck, D Gledhill, V Drew(?)

C-142 Declarations of Interest

None declared

C-143 Minutes of Meeting held 17th May 2016

Proposed	E Adams	}	RESOLVED -	Amend C-125 = Add "as a Governor" after...'volunteer' Amend C-126 = Add "S Hagen" to the list of signatories That the Minutes are approved as amended.
Seconded	S Hagen			

C-144 Matters arising from the above Minutes

(a) Committees compositions will be as declared until each Standing Committee next meets.

C-145 Planning Applications

(a) *Application - Site visit completed by Cllr S Frayling*

16/02453/FUL Mr R Grieve 305 London Road East Batheaston BA17RL	Erection of hard standing, single-storey timber garden room and additional retaining wall in back garden	Support Satisfies policies D2 and D4.
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(b) B&NES Decision

15/05803FUL Former Nursery Bailbrook Lane for Detached Dwelling = Permitted 27 May 16 (*Against PEC rejection*)

C-146 Regeneration – CURO Garage Block

CURO has offered a proposal to improve the Garages Area. Propose that the garages all be cleared away and 25 affordable housing pods be installed – mounted on piers to permit parking beneath, and other extra parking slots. Hard copies issued to all Councilors and this Meeting projected all the separate pages for discussion:

(a) Applaud:-

- 1 Removal of the garages "eyesore" and unsafe buildings;
- 2 Provides usable parking bays – allocated & free;
- 3 Offers School delivery improvements;
- 4 Provides new affordable housing above the parking;
- 5 Little impact on Estate traffic volume;

(b) Concerns

- 6 Housing density possibly too high;
- 7 Traffic manoeuvring between uprights might be difficult;
- 8 Short-term tenants might not respect their areas;
- 9 Will covered ways attract vandals?
- 10 Should the entire site be lowered to bring down roof lines?
- 11 Resting the Multi-sports Court might improve the overall layout;
- 12 The electricity meter for the Multi-sports Court must be retained, somewhere;
- 13 The timber facades will weather and a long-term maintenance problem might prevail.
- 14 Traffic proposals for School drop-offs will be confusing?
- 15 Resite Central block away from centre of plot?

(c) Recommendations

- 16 That this Parish Council approves some redevelopment and applauds CURO for this innovative initiative;
- 17 Establish a Working Group to review all concerns and offer alternatives.
- 18 Thank CURO for this initiative and ask for collaborative Meetings. **GR**

(Contact made and CURO agent will attend a Meeting of the BPC next Tuesday 7th June)

C-147 Toilet block Update

- (a) Bradbury Door ordered – with Time-lock & Coin-operated mechanisms. Installation date is w/c 18th July
- (b) Services will have to be re-connected and this Meeting agreed that Water would continue to be supplied by Wessex Water and Electricity would continue to be supplied by British Gas
- (c) The Draft Licence for the BPC to adopt this block has been agreed and accepted. The 'formal' legal document is still being prepared by B&NES

C-148 Wage Awards

- (a) NALC and SLCC have agreed Wage Awards for all Clerks:-
 - i An increase of £26 / annum backdated to 1st April 2016;
 - ii A further increase of £120 / annum from 1st April 2017

Proposed	S Hagen	}	RESOLVED -	That the National Wage Awards be approved
Seconded	G Riley			

C-149 Councillors Concerns and Representations

- (a) Bathford PC wish to adopt the Withy Area at the railway arch as a Village Green. This Meeting agreed to offer approval. **GR**
- (b) The Toilet Block Noticeboard has been vandalised by senior teenagers. Police are pursuing.
- (c) Roof repairs now in progress at St Johns church. Vigilance invited for unauthorised use of the scaffolding.
- (d) Antique lamp post outside St Johns needs repainting (in Regency Green), with a Hanging basket?
- (e) The Parking Services has withdrawn its "emergency" phone line. Reinstatement to be urged. **SH**
- (f) The Litter bin near to the noticeboard on Bannerdown Road is rusted through and needs replacement
- (g) Anti "Dog Fouling" notices needed on Solsbury Lane. **CMcC**
- (h) Pathway beyond Avondal Garage needs sweeping attention. **GR/CMcC**
- (j) The Medical Centre has responded to the BPC's query and plans for the Land besides the Centre are being formulated. The BPC will be advised of any proposals.
- (k) B&NES/ALCA Liaison Notes – 13 April – hard copies issued to all Councillors
- (l) A copy of the Standing Order pages to amend 29.1 issued to all Councillors.

C-150 Communications

- (a) Nothing at this time

C-151 Date of Next Meeting

Proposed for Tuesday 14th JUNE 2016 at 7.15pm (To be confirmed)

Chairman.....

Date.....