

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held
in The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 5th JULY 2016 at 7-15 pm**

Present :- Cllrs R Mimmack (Chair), P Corley S Frayling, D Gledhill, C McCarthy and M Townley (Clerk)

In attendance: Cllrs A Millar, M Veal and Rev I Rathbone, PC G Peters, Mr P Bowden, Ms E Puttock

C-166 Public participation – PC Gary Peters

PC Gary had spent 10 years in a 'response' and has now moved to Bathavon north as a 'beat' bobby. Welcomes to opportunity to get involved, hence tonight's attendance. He still works with PCSO Mike Symonds, although on different shifts. This is a "quiet" area but Gary is still pursuing the noticeboard vandalsim. Hopes to complete interviews when the third young man is located.

PC Gary was advised of scooters and skate-boarders racing down Bannerdown Road, with vehicles racing up the same Road several times per month.

PC Gary's details = PC 4497, 07889 656614, gary.peters@avonandsomerset.pm.police.uk

C-167 Public participation – Rev Isobel Rathbone

Rev Isobel wished to update the BPC on the current situation as Bathford church is now seeking a new vicar. The Archdeacon wishes to combine the 2 x churches as a 'benefice' but bathaeaston wants to stay as a 'Group Ministry' – perhaps sharing some on the Bathford vicar's time.

Reve Isobel likes this village and enjoys living here, as the Church is so embedded in the Parish, wider than the civil BPC at some 3500 residents.

The BPC offered to assist with a letter-of-support to the Archdeacon, which might be sent at the appropriate time.

C-168 Public participation – Paul Bowden & Emma Puttock

Both vehemently objected to developing the Garage off London Road East. This garage backs onto Bannerdown Road, has no surrounding land and shares party walls with neighbours on either side.

The use of this developed building will be intrusive, noisy and disruptive.

If a viable income is desired from this property why not convert to rentable parking slots?

C-169 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs E Adams, C Bond, Burcombe, N Clutterbuck, V Drew(?), S Hagen, D Redding, G Riley

C-170 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

C-171 Minutes of Meeting held 14th JUNE 2016

Proposed	D Gledhill	}	RESOLVED	- That the Minutes be formally approved as presented.
Seconded	S Frayling	}	(Unanimously)	

C-172 Matters Arising from the above Meeting

(a) The diagonal path in Catherine Way – leading to the Play Area – is being resurfaced but construction equipment has damaged verges. Repairs will be sought. **CMcC**

(b) B&NES owns the Penthouse steps and Gardens and verges on the Estate – but not yet recognised in their "mapping" system for maintenance. Being resolved

The new village Map available for mounting in the Toilet Block noticeboard.

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C-173 Planning Applications

(a) Election of Chairman

Proposed	C McCarthy	}	RESOLVED -	That Cllr Steve Frayling be appointed to serve as Chairman for the year 2016 - 17
Seconded	D Gledhill	}	(Unanimously)	

(b) Election of Vice-Chairman

Deferred for nominations from the PAC

(c) Application Recommendations

These Recommendations were agreed at a separate Meeting held on Wednesday 6th July at 6-30pm in The Pavilion –

See Separate PAC Minutes dated 6th July 2016

(d)	16/03043/FUL	- Erect 2 x Detached Dwellings	REJECT
(e)	16/03152/FUL	- Replace garage with 2-storey side extension	SUPPORT
(f)	16/03069/FUL	- Covert Building to Live Work Unit	REJECT
(g)	16/03142/FUL	- Refurbishment of Basement	SUPPORT
(h)	16/03032/FUL	- Demolish existing building and Rebuild	RESERVATIONS
(j)	5/05152/FUL	-Bat Survey + Heritage Reports	SUPPORT

(k) B&NES Planning Decisions

16/02223/FUL	- 3 Morris Lane – Rear Extension	= Permit 27 June 16 (As recommended)
16/02060/FUL	} - Revert 'old' PO area to restaurant	= Permit 1 July 16 (As recommended)
16/02061/LBA		= Permit 4 July 16 (As recommended)
16/02315/FUL	- 50 Catherine Way – Erect 1-storey side extension	= Permit 6 July 16 (As recommended)

C-174 Receipt of Standing Committee Reports

(a) Highways Committee – R Mimmack

Updates to the Minutes issued 21st June :-

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- 1 Map of Sites of all proposed Enhancements issued;
 - 2 War Graves Commission Brochure now available.
The BPC should be researching Memorial ideas for November 2018
 - 3 Recent Water Quality tests on the Brook and River Avon are very encouraging.

- (b) General Strategies Committee – R Mimmack
 Updates to the Minutes issued 21st June :-
 4 The draft Licence for leasing the toilet block has been approved but STILL waiting the legal papers. **MV**
 5 The Post Office Authority has now agreed, in principle, to a sub-lease and there is now an interested party to taking over the existing premises in the George & Dragon – hopefully before the planned closure on 18th August.

C-175 Garages Regeneration Scheme

- (a) There has been no response to the BPC's suggestion sent to CURO on 14th June.
 A follow-up – possibly to the Managing Director – will be pursued. **GR**

C-176 Neighbourhood Plan

- (a) Discussions deferred until more Councillors are in attendance

C-177 Presentation of Unaudited Accounts for JUNE 2016

- (a) June Accounts – still to be verified by Cllr Adams:-

	April	May	June	
Income	27882	572	580	£4471 More than Budget
Expenditure	4735	4128	3396	£5035 ILss than Budget

- (b) Special Payments
 External Auditor £200, Toilet Door £4500
 (c) Audit progress
 The External auditor (Grant Thornton) is still trawling through the 8 x pages
 (d) BPC Pension Scheme
 The Government insists (with legal penalties) that the BPC participates in a Pensions Scheme.
 The Government Administrator has formally accepted this Council's Declaration that there are no qualifying employees.

C-178 Councillors Concerns & Representations

- (a) A wooden access bridge, costing £664, will be installed over a stream by the Cycle Path, to allow access to the Mills etc
 (b) A RoSPA Safety Report (on the Cycle Path area) is being updated – but few problems envisaged.
 (c) CURO has accepted responsibility for maintaining Estate banks at Avoncourt
 (d) Many identified potholes are being repaired by B&NES – but more continue to be reported.
 (e) A water leakage off C Rich's land needs attention and the landowner will be approached. **CMcC**
 (f) An elderly resident tripped by a manhole in London Road East – the pavement needs attention
 (g) New trees will be planted on the Estate next Spring, when repair work to verges are completed this Autumn
 (h) CURO urged to make their crumbling garages safe, off Coalpit road.
 (j) The Pavilion gutters to be cleared – when overgrowth cleared at the back of the Pavilion.
(Overgrowth cleared on Wednesday 6th July . With thanks to RM)

C-179 Chairman's Report

- (a) Nothing at this time

C-180 Clerk's Report

- (a) Programme issued re: the B&NES Devolution “advice” meetings – start in the Guild Hall on 19th July.
 (b) Agenda issued for the ALCA Meeting to be held in Saltford at 7.30pm on 19th July
 (c) Data recently issued re: the Bathavon Forum. Participation in this Forum was strongly recommended by MV

C-181 Communications

- (a) Nothing at this time

C-182 Date of next Meeting :-

Tuesday 9th AUGUST 2016 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion (To be confirmed)

Chairman.....Date.....