Batheaston Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 8th NOVEMBER 2016 at 7-15 pm

Present: Cllrs R Mimmack, Chair), E Adams, C Bond, P Burcombe, N Clutterbuck, P Corley, S Frayling, S Hagen, D Gledhill, C McCarthy and M Townley (Clerk)

Attending: Cllr M Veal and Mr T Davies

C-230 Public Participation – Mr Tim Davies
Updated all Councillors on the progressing of the BNVH Hall application.

C-231 Apologies for Absence
Cllrs G Riley, D Redding(?)

C-232 Declarations of Interest
None raised

C-233 Minutes of Meeting held 11th OCTOBER 2016

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

C-234 Matters Arising from the above Meeting

(a) Nothing raised.

(b) Receipt of Standing Committee Reports
(HFL) – Cllr Susanne Hagen
i Reducing the height of the High Street Speed Table is now set to begin 14/15th November.
ii Quotations progressing for an electronic ( waterproofed) Data Display Board - £1650 to £2200
iii Meeting with B&NES engineers 9th November at 10-30am – to discuss alterations to the Stambridge Roundabout
iv New “Gateway Signs” researched and the ‘Farrington Gurney’ model preferred. A firm quotation will be pursued for the next HFL Meeting.

(v) Provision of Christmas Trees – with solar lights – programmed to be complete by 24th/25th November.

vi Speeding on Morris Lane has been referred to B&NES and Police. Bathford PC has promised to also investigate. Residents might consider a Speed Gun trial – as in Bathampton.

vii A Parish Council has trained its staff to complete minor pot-hole repairs. B&NES has declined to permit.

viii B&NES has advised that investigation progressing into converting all Street Lights to LED functioning MV will propose that all Batheaston’s 16 x Lights be included in this programme.

ix B&NES is now advising that they do not intend to pursue a CAT for the Riverside (after 2+ years).

x The re-opened Toilet has had 149 users in the past 4 weeks.

(c) Planning applications – Cllr Steve Frayling
xi Meeting with Planning managers - to discuss Planning problems - set for 25th November at 11-00am at Lewis House, Bath

Proposed: D Gledhill
Seconded: C Bond
RESOLVED - (Unanimously) That the above Reports are accepted as presented.

C-236 Presentation of Unaudited Accounts for October 2016

(a) October Accounts – to be verified by Cllr E Adams.

Income


Total: £23382

Expenditure

April: £4735 May: £4128 June: £3396 July: £3021 August: £2751 September: £4024

Total: £12361

(b) Special Payments
Riverside Lawn Works £1000
Cotswold ANOB might have grants/expertise to assist in the Lawn Works.

Proposed: C Bond
Seconded: D Gledhill
RESOLVED - (Unanimously) That the October Accounts, and Special Payments, are approved as presented.

C-237 Park & Ride Update
(a) Still pending B&NES Cabinet decision.

C-238 Garages Regeneration Scheme
(a) CURO has granted significant monies to pursue the “Pods” proposal and are researching 2 x Suppliers.
(b) CURO has promised full consultations when their deliberations are more certain.

C-239 Parish Councillor Vacancies
(a) Nominations have been invited and there have been none received to date. The present Council is urged to seek possible candidates.
(b) DG has been successful in engaging 2 x potential candidates and their details will soon be available.

C-240 Village Hall
(a) Application 16/04872/FUL was considered last week by the PAC - plus other Councillors present - and this “alternative” Application was rejected. PAC Minute issued and posted.

C-241 BT Phone Boxes
(a) BT has advised that the 3 x Open-Type units in the Village are to be fully decommissioned and removed. If the village wishes them retained BT must be advised by 28th November.
J O'Rourke (B&NES) has offered to consolidate all responses.

(b) This Meeting suggested removing all 3 x New-style units and replace with a traditional “Red” Phone box.
Investigations will be completed for the next GSC Meeting on 22nd November. CMcC

C-242 Precept Proposals 2017 – 18
(a) All Enhancement proposals should be considered by the 3 x Committees
(b) If the Pavilion entrance is to be improved the disabled Ramp must be maintained.
(c) Widening of the Footpath by the School proposed – to enable cycling.

C-243 Councillors – Representations & Concerns
(a) Spate of burglaries in Northend is worrying. MV asked for details of all reported events. CMcC
(b) A Bannerdown Road resident has complained about the new Pavement at the bottom.

C-244 Chairman’s Report
(a) A contact has offered professional advice on the proposed “Scenic Map” and the Clerk’s effort provided. GR
(b) With regret Carole Bond and David Gledhill are leaving the Village at the end of November and offered their resignations at this Meeting
(c) David & Carole explained that it had been a privilege to serve, with such full support and genuine ‘graff’ and ‘effort’ to promote this Village. They thanked all Councillors for their help and support.
(d) Martin echoed all Councillors feelings by thanking David and Carole for all their efforts – and for the Communications and Twinning assistance – they have both been ambassadors for this Community.

C-245 Clerk’s Report
(a) “Local Look” Submissions due 10th November – for both December and January editions.
(b) All the papers/cards for the Post Office Account now available and NC will try to deposit the toilet takings.
(c) A reminder that the Clerk is away from very early this Thursday until Friday 18th November.
(d) Councillors requested to check that the Salt Bins in their areas are fully charged. ALL

C-246 Communications
Nothing at this time

C-247 Date of next Meeting :-

Tuesday 13th DECEMBER 2015 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion
Chairman…………………………………………Date………………………….