Batheaston Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 14th NOVEMBER 2017 at 7-15 pm

Present :- Cllrs G Riley (Chair), E Adams, P Bennett, P Burcombe, S Cast, N Clutterbuck, P Corley, D Craig, D Greener, J Jeffery, C McCarthy, R Mimmack, D Redding and M Townley (Clerk)

Attending:- Cllr M Veal

C-427 Public Participation
None

C-428 Apologies for Absence
Cllrs: S Frayling, S Hagen, A Millar, G Ward

C-429 Declarations of Interest
(a) None raised.

C-430 Minutes of the Meeting held 10th OCTOBER 2017

RESOLVED - (Unanimously)
That the Minutes are accepted as a true record.

C-431 Matters Arising
(a) Community Empowerment Fund  Recommendations to spend the of £1370 + P-in-the-Park profits of £846.34
Unit for the Play Area being pursued.
(b) Removal of an 'abandoned' BMW vehicle near the Church is being actioned

C-432 Receipt of Standing Committee Reports
Strategic Planning – E Adams
(a) Nothing to add to the Minutes
Highways, Environment & Lighting – C McCarthy
(d) Bannerdown Road. Promised new signage at the bottom has still to be installed.
(e) Bus shelter at High Bannerdown. The HFE is pursuing.
(f) Gateway Sign. B&NES propose removal/storage of the 3rd Sign at the London Road West, whilst resident's complaints about blocking sight-lines is investigated.
(g) Grass Cutting. Alternative quotes being pursued.
(h) High Bannerdown – Kerbstone repairs still urged. Photos sent to B&NES
(i) Stambridge Layout. Meeting set for 27th November at 3-00pm in The Pavilion.
(K) School Pathway. Alison Sherwin (B&NES) has entered this proposal on the B&NES task force as this infrastructure improvement satisfies Walking/Cycle Path/Safe-Route-to-School/Disabled access criteria. Designs to be prepared.

Planning & Recreation – D Redding
(l) Crossman Homes. Rejected and sight of any papers that ‘authorised’ the “permitted development” requires a Freedom-of-Information request. The Environment Agency are developing a new “Flood Forecast” The applicant has submitted a new Transport statement and PBe's flooding photos acknowledged.

RESOLVED - (Unanimously)
That the above Reports are accepted as presented.

C-418 Presentation of Unaudited Accounts
(a) September 2017

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£3111 more than Budget
£17549 less than Budget

(b) Special Payments
New Sweeper £2000; Cycle Path sign £100; Christmas Ribbons £50

RESOLVED - (Unanimously)
That the October Accounts and Special Payments are approved as presented.

C-419 Neighbourhood Plan Update
(a) The Public Meeting on 12th October was very positive
(b) All observations and comments nowe analysed and additional questions identified.
(c) A Bathford resident has offered to generate our NP Questionnaire, and complete the Analysis. Quotation now available – but rejected by the Grant authority as “not good value”..
(d) Alternative Quote received, and acceptable, from Worcester Analyst
(e) Quotes being pursued for Ecology/Landscape Surveys.
(f) Quote being pursued for a professional Write-up.
(g) Listing of potential Questions issued to all Councillors and comments requested by next Monday.
(h) Working Party to meet Wednesday 15th November in the Youth Club to review all Questions
(i) NC has proposed an “Introductory” letter for the Questionnaire
(k) This Meeting agreed not to survey all Bathford residents on Morris Lane.

C-420 CAT Transfer
(a) Drain repairs have been 'camered' and are considered satisfactory.
(b) Railings at entrance have been repaired.
(c) Toilet entrance monies to date are £384, with £60 of consummables.
(d) Reception of Riverside proposals at the Open Meeting on 12th October was all very positive.
(e) Draft papers already issued and agreed. B&NES is developing the “final” Transfer papers.
(f) The risk Assessment issued in June should be re-visited to check all details.
(g) B&NES propose apportioning the cost of Car Park Lights maintenance (possibly £100/annum)
(h) "Thanks" offered to NC for the 'dogged' pursuit of this Project.
C-421 BLA/BPC Transfer
(a) The majority of repairs completed and reviewed this last Sunday. The BLA has still to complete 8 x items leaving 7x items for further investigation.
(b) A Swing Unit installed some 6/7 years ago now has an extra feature. A retro-fit is not considered necessary.
(c) Signs at the entrance noting contact details must be purchased and installed.
(d) “Thanks” recorded to RM for ‘driving’ this project.
(e) The Handover Document (cancelling the Lease due to end in 2019) signed – dated 14th November.

C-422 Precept Requirements 2018 - 2019
(a) All Committees are generating their “Wish List” - for compilation by 31st December.
(b) But does the Council wish to alter any procedures eg. Investment/Meetings Routine/Use of contractors/Take over more B&NES duties etc. Councillors to review at 12th December Meeting.

C-423 Councillors Concerns & Representations
(a) Development traffic at Hawkers Yard needs considerable parking by residents.
(b) Chain link fence at Scout Hut is dangerous. To be reported.
(c) Light by the Play Area not working. To be reported.
(d) B&NES Highways Team are investigating parking lions at the ex-Northend Inn.
(e) Pothole repairs required at the Methodist Hall speed table, in Northend and Seven Acres Lane
(f) Branch hanging over School Lane and removal recommended.
(g) Replacement Village Hall meeting set for Thursday 16th November in The Pavilion

C-424 Chairman’s Report
(a) Steve Frayling has resigned as Parish Councillor.

C-425 Clerks Report
(a) The Cotswold Conservation Board is seeking a Parish councillor and S Hagen has volunteered.
(b) Chair’s Community Awards need to be issued by Friday 1st December – recommendations please.
(c) Minutes of Liaison Meeting 26th October – hard copies issued at this Meeting – recommended reading.

C-426 Communications
(a) Website. Rebuild almost completed. Clerk had limited training and Cllrs to advise on the proposed “front” page.

C-427 Date of next Meeting :-

Tuesday 23rd JANUARY 2018 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion (Precept)