

Batheaston Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Batheaston Parish Council held in
The Rhymes Pavilion on Tuesday 13th MARCH 2018 at 7-15 pm**

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

Attending:- Cllr M Veal

C-489 Public Participation

None

C-490 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs P Corley, J Jeffery,

C-491 Declarations of Interest

(a) None raised.

C-492 Minutes of the Meeting held 13th FEBRUARY 2018

Proposed	E Adams	}	RESOLVED -	That the Minutes are a true record
Seconded	S Hagen	}	(Unanimously)	

C-493 Matters Arising from the above Minutes

- (a) At last week's Liaison Meeting the wage increase might be +18% over the next 2 years.
- (b) Minute C-482 (c) inferred that "wild flowers are proposed". "Wild flowers" are only being considered – not yet agreed.

C-494 Receipt of Standing Committee Reports

Strategic Planning – E Adams

- (a) Nothing to add to the published Minutes dated 27th February 2018

Highways, Environment & Lighting – S Hagen

- (b) Bypass. Litter will soon be cleared – during the night.
- (c) New Planters. An organisation is offering Planters + Plants for 'free' – for local business' to advertise.
- (d) Stambridge Layout. B&NES propose a meeting here on 20th March at 11-00am to explain options.
- (e) Bypass Speeding. The Police are training on a new speed recording device at the roundabout.
- (f) Penthouse Steps. The history on these Steps being researched.
- (g) Weeds Spraying. B&NE to action in late Spring?

Planning & Recreation – D Redding

- (h) "The Copse". The Developers were to meet last week with residents and promise revised data for the next meeting on 27th March.
- (j) G & D Car Park. A camera-controlled parking system was rejected.
- (k) Climbing Frame. Still researching for a new unit for the Play Area.

Proposed	P Burcombe	}	RESOLVED -	That the above Reports are accepted as presented
Seconded	C McCarthy	}	(Unanimously)	

C-495 Presentation of Unaudited Accounts

- (a) February 2017 *Verified by our Internal Auditor Cllr Adams*

	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	
Income	29661	32	50	0	0	794	22655	0	513	1455	2878	£5045 more than Budget
Expenditure	903	2466	5107	4088	3211	3857	3780	4475	4183	3254	3143	£2734 less than Budget

- (b) Special Payments

Annual Report £260; No 9 Garage Rental £370; Mailing NP Questionnaire £720; NP Landscape Assessment £3902. It was reiterated that £1000 is 'pledged' to the BNVA.

CIL monies received but amount being queried and B&NES are investigating.

Proposed	D Greener	}	RESOLVED -	That the February Accounts and Special Payments are approved as presented.
Seconded	C McCarthy	}	(Unanimously)	

C-496 Neighbourhood Plan Progress

- (a) Extra time to complete the Questionnaires extended to 17th March.
- (b) The Landscape Assessment completed. Report due in mid-April.
- (c) Report-back to all residents set for the keynote topic at the Annual Village Meeting on Thursday 26th April.
- (d) Mr Tim Davies is to photograph all dwellings.
- (e) The Analysing Company confirmed that 240 completed Questionnaires received to date.
- (f) Grant of £6940 received – shortfall in costs to be provided by the CIL monies.

C-497 Riverside Programme Progress

- (a) B&NES working very cooperatively in completing repairs to the listed walls. Will be capping all pillars and repairing the river-facing benches.
- (b) The Batheaston Garden Group is being very supportive and working party starts this coming Saturday. Councillors urged to support – with tools – and refreshments proposed. **ALL**
- (c) Our handyman will assist this weekend, and works with a digger arranged...
- (d) Wiring of the south-facing wall proposed, and Compost Bins proposed in the cleared area.
- (e) Quotations to improve the Toilet Block now available and this Meeting agreed to proceed.
- (f) Meeting held with B&NES parking and legal advice offered.
- (g) The Outdoor Gym Equipment ordered – for installation in April.
- (h) The PRC propose investigating Infants Play Equipment for the Gardens. **DR**
- (j) B&NES has been asked to replace the burnt-out Litter Bin.
- (k) Two Lifebelts are to be installed either side of the Cycle Bridge.
- (l) Details can be viewed on bpcriverside.blogspot.co.uk

- C-498 Social Media Policy**
 (a) The PRC has just issued hard copies, and comments invited to GR. **ALL**
 (b) A "Disclaimer on BPC's Responsibilities" suggested. As in Standing Orders.
- C-499 Meetings Timetable – May 18 to May 19**
 Draft showing NO meetings in August rejected. **MT**
 Re-draft will be forwarded for consideration at the BPC Meeting on 10th April.
- C-500 Annual Village Meeting – 26th APRIL 18**
 (a) Hard copies of the Annual Report issued tonight – as sent to the 'Local Look' last week.
 (b) Posters advertising the Meeting prepared – and to be issued after Easter, including BREDAC.
 (c) Main topic – after discussions on the Annual Report – will be a Report on the Neighbourhood Plan analysis.
- C-501 Councillors Concerns & Representations**
 (a) Cllr Cast is still pursuing improvements to the Footpath by the School. B&NES advise that there are no funds, but CIL
 (b) Too many potholes – any should be photographed and sent to **council_connect@bathnes.gov.uk**
 (c) The bank slippage on the 'old' River Footpath is being repaired and walkers are ignoring the "no entry" signs.
 (d) A resident has requested a repainting of lines in the Multi-Sports Court – being pursued.
 (e) A local Business is offering a "doggy-bag" dispenser, with free bags.
 (f) It is confirmed that the BLA still has charity status. Discussion required on how to capitalise with the BPC. **RM/DR/GR**
 (g) Cllr Steve Cast confirmed as the BPC's Primary School governor
 (h) Two 240 litre Litter bins to be provided for the Handyman's rubbish disposal.
 (i) The notice board at the bus stop on upper Catherine Way needs replacement. Quotation to be pursued. **CMcC**
 (k) Assistance during the recent snow problems needs review by the HFE. **GR**
 Snow plough assistance to be discussed with locals. **GR/CMcC**
 A suitable "Thank You" proposed for a local resident.
 Any "snows assists" to be advised to the "Local Look"
 (l) The damaged Bus Shelter at the bottom of Elmhurst Hill is to be replaced.
 (m) Volunteers are being sought to clean up the Cycle Bridge.
 (n) The redundant BT box on Eagle Road is to be retained. But was 'minuted' for removal? **MT**
 (o) Neighbours are concerned about trees removal at "Treetops" on Gloucester Road.
 There are no TPOs on any of these trees
- C-502 Chairman's Report**
 (a) Nothing at this time.
- C-503 Clerks Report**
 (a) The next Bathavon North Forum meeting is set for Wednesday 14th MARCH.
 (b) The listing of our Assets Inventory is to be completed for the year-end. Will include the 4 x Outdoor Gym Units.
 This Listing – and the Car Park/Gardens transfer to be advised to our Insurance Company.
- C-504 Communications**
 (a) Website. Now running but much additional development required.
 (b) Much information was gleaned from the Welcome Pack produced in 2007.
 Updating required and Councillors requested to volunteer for updating.
 (c) A system similar to BREDAC is being investigated.
 A "Thank You" to Cllr Nigel for continuing this development.
- C-505 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 10th APRIL 2018 at 7-15 pm in The Rhymes Pavilion

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