



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN BANWELL YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7:30pm ON MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2022

PRESENT: Councillors: Paul Blatchford (Chairman), Phil Adams, Steve Davies, Kevin Gibbons, Paul Harding (Vice Chairman), Nick Manley, Maggie McCarthy & Matthew Thomson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Liz Shayler (Clerk)
WARD COUNCILLOR: Cllr Haverson & Cllr Harley (Virtually)
AVON & SOMERSET POLICE: None
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Two

Cllr Blatchford welcomed everybody.

Before the meeting was convened, members of the public were invited to speak.

i) Members of the public

Nothing was raised by members of the public

ii) Community Beat Manager's report

The following report was received for the period 26/08/2022 to 26/09/2022.

Calls from Parish = 37 with the following selection of crimes reported: 2 abandoned 999 calls, 3 antisocial behaviour, 1 concern for welfare, 2 harassment, 1 public order, 6 suspicious activity, 3 traffic related, 1 theft, 2 theft from a vehicle and 2 threat.

The neighbourhood team continue to offer free home security checks, bike marking, tack marking, tool marking as well as dealing with day-to-day police incidents. Residents are asked to contact them, if they are holding an event and would like the team to be involved. Residents were asked to get in touch via the Avon & Somerset website, follow them on social media, Facebook "Weston & Worle police or Twitter "NSPolice".

iii) Ward Councillor's report

Cllr Haverson gave a brief report on the following items.

- Cost of living crisis and the new 'Worried about money' leaflet
- Update on the discontinuation of the 126 bus, alterations to the route of the 51 and its frequency (currently every 2 hours due to lack of drivers).
- Sea Monster now open it was a government initiative so no cost to North Somerset
- Concern about the safety of some of the 'safe routes to School'
- The new North Somerset face-to-face drop-in advice service at Winscombe library

Cllr Harley gave a brief report on the following items.

- The decision to remove the 126 routes has been called into the scrutiny panel.
- That she had a meeting in relation to High Street and East Street (no detail was provided)

The meeting was convened.

132/22 To receive apologies for absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Cllrs Tara Wright and Mike Bailey who joined the meeting virtually.

133/22 To receive members' declarations of interest on any agenda item (agenda item 2)

No declarations of interest were received.

134/22 To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 15th of August 2022 (agenda item 3)

Resolved – That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 15th of August 2022 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

The minutes of the meetings will be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

135/22 To note the following minutes (agenda item 4)

i) Planning Committee Meeting Minutes of the 5th of September

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting were noted.

ii) Youth & Community Centre Committee Meeting Minutes of the 5th of September

The minutes of the Youth & Community Centre Committee Meeting were noted.

iii) Employment Committee Meeting Minutes of the 5th of September

The minutes of the Employment Committee Meeting were noted.

136/22 To note the training and events available and agree any attendance (agenda item 5)

i) Introduction to Local Councils E-Learning Course FREE

Cllr Davies to be signed up to complete this

ii) ALCA e-learning on nimble

The training was noted

iii) Communications Training via ALCA

The training was noted

iv) Finance Training via ALCA

The training was noted

v) 'Scribe' Finance Training via ALCA

The training was noted

vi) November Council Climate Emergency Workshops £120

Resolved: Cllr Wright to attend the Council Climate Emergency Workshops for £120.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

vii) 27th & 28th September North Somerset Parish Forum 5:30pm Free

Cllr Harding to attend on the 27th of September

viii) 30th November SLCC Practical Compliance for CCTV £40

Resolved: The clerk to attend the £40 Practical Compliance for CCTV.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

137/22 To approve the following expenditure (agenda item 6).

i) £375 Annual Cemetery Package

Resolved – To agree the cost of £375 for the annual cemetery package.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

ii) £240 for the Annual ROSPA Play equipment inspections at the Recreation Ground & Riverside Play Area

Resolved – To agree the cost of £240 for the Annual ROSPA Play equipment inspections at the Recreation Ground.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iii) £3477 for the Citizens Advice Outreach Service

Resolved – To agree the cost of £3477 for the Citizens Advice Outreach Service.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iv) £491.75 for the Youth & Community Centre PPL / PRS Music licence

Resolved – To agree the cost of £491.75 for the Youth & Community Centre PPL / PRS Music Licence.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

138/22 To receive the Clerk's report/Exchange of information (agenda item 7)

i) Works to the Youth and Community Centre (YCC)

Fence - The picket fencing at the back of the YCC was painted over the bank holiday weekend.
Redecoration of YCC – This is due to start on the 10th of October and is likely to take 4 weeks.
LED lights - This work has almost been completed with the exception of the emergency lights in the office and kitchen which are due to be finished this week. The teracycle bin is now available to recycle confectionary packets. A new smart meter is due to be installed at the beginning of October.

ii) Youth Club Social Prescribing Grant

The residential was very successful with everyone having a lovely time paddleboarding, using the segways and then various team building activities and creating their own t-shirt. A full report will be available shortly.

iii) Riverside Green Play Area Fencing

The play area fencing has almost been completed a fence panel is missing but is due to be finished this week.

iv) Youth Club Food Project Grant

The second set of cookery session with the Youth Club have begun. Not as large take up as last time probably due to the September slump in young people attending the Youth Club.

139/22 To discuss the idea of Community Warm Spaces / Public Living Rooms and agree a way forward (agenda item 8).

The Clerk updated the meeting that the Scouts would agree to a 6 month hire for 2 days a week at a cost of £1060.

Resolved – That the Parish Council budgets to rent the Scout Hut for 2 days a week for 6 months to create a Public Living Room / Warm space throughout the late autumn, winter and early spring.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

140/22 To agree the use of the public Wi-Fi in the Scout Building (agenda item 9)

Resolved – To agree that the Scouts can boost our public Wi-Fi to enable it to be used in the Scout Building.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

141/22 To discuss moving from Calor Gas to Avantia (agenda item 10)

The Clerk updated the meeting that Flogas had been in touch. They would charge £100 annual standing charge and 80p a litre.

Resolved – To agree that the Clerk has delegated authority to sign the LPG contract moving from Calor to Avantia.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

Resolved – To submit a planning application and raise the canopy of the willow to 4m above the LPG tank for health and safety reasons.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

142/22 To discuss membership to the Breakthrough Communications Council Hive (agenda item 11)

Resolved – To agree membership of Breakthrough Communications Council Hive for £774.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

143/22 To discuss who will undertake the following annual inspections for budgeting purposes (agenda item 12):

- i) Benches - Cllr Manley
- ii) Dog bins - Cllr Harding
- iii) Flagpole - Cllr Blatchford
- iv) Grit bins - Cllr Wright
- v) Litter bins - Cllr Wright
- vi) Memorial Stones - Cllr McCarthy
- vii) Bus Shelters - Cllr Blatchford

Resolved – To agree that the Councillors above will undertake the annual inspections specified.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

144/22 To discuss the naming of the new development on Wolvershill Road as ‘Jubilee Lawns’ (agenda item 13).

Resolved – To suggest that the new development on Wolvershill Road should be called ‘Jubilee Gardens’.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

145/22 To discuss North Somersets Rights of Way Improvement Plan and agree a response (agenda item 14)

Councillors were encouraged to respond individually but given that questions were not provided that the Parish Council could not respond formally.

146/22 To discuss the proposed Parking Restrictions Review proposals for Banwell (agenda item 15)

Resolved – To agree to waiting restrictions outside Banwell News and Banwell Convenience store but not outside 40 West Street. That the no parking at the exit to the village hall was unnecessary after the works taken to widen the entrance and that yellow lines in this location may lead to displacement of resident’s vehicles leading to further issues of Westfield Road.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

147/22 To note the first draft of the 2022/23 budget (agenda item 16)

The first draft of the 2022/23 budget was noted

148/22 To authorise bills for payment for September (agenda item 17)

The Clerk tabled an updated bills for payment sheet for September.

Resolved: To authorise the bills for payment sheet for August of £3588.52. Cllr Harding and Cllr McCarthy to authorise the BACs payments.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

149/22 To note the Parish Council’s end of August’s net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation (agenda item 18)

The Parish Council’s end of August’s net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation were noted.

150/22 Dates of the next meetings (agenda item 19)

Monday 3rd of October, 7pm Planning Committee at the YCC
Monday 17th of October 2022, 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting at the YCC.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:40

.....Chairman

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