

# MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL METTING HELD IN BANWELL YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7:30pm ON MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Liz Shayler (Clerk)

WARD COUNCILLOR: Cllr Haverson

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.

#### Members of the public

No members of public were present

#### **Community Beat Manager's report**

The following report was received for the period 17/04/2022 to 16/05/2022. Calls from Parish = 42 with the following selection of crimes reported: 2 abandoned 999 calls, 1 antisocial behaviour, 6 concern for welfare, 1 harassment, 2 public order, 2 suspicious activity, 11 traffic related and 1 theft.

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". The Beat team are now holding monthly drop-in sessions called "Talk to us". The next nearest session will be held at Starbucks Coffee Shop, Locking on Monday 8th August from 10am until 11am.

#### Ward Councillor's report

Cllr Haverson updated the meeting on the NS briefing in reference to the current housing supply. Given that the Governments housing numbers have been changed this has taken North Somersets 5 years housing supply down to only 4.8 years leaving it wide open for speculative developments.

The advice to north Somerset has been to proceed with the Local Plan as quickly as possible. It was hoped that the recent report which listed North Somerset as the local authority likely to be the most effected by flooding that this will help decrease the housing numbers and protect the flood plain.

The meeting was convened.

#### 088/22 To receive apologies for absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Cllr Kevin Gibbons.

### 089/22 To receive members' declarations of interest on any agenda item (agenda item 2)

No declarations of interest were received.

# 090/22 To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 (agenda item 3)

**Resolved –** That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 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.

#### 091/22 To note the Planning Committee Meeting Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> of June (agenda item 4)

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting were noted.

## 092/22 To receive the Clerk's report/Exchange of information (agenda item 5)

#### i) Jubilee Grants

The Jubilee events went well over the weekend. With over 20 residents decorating their properties. The Caves was the most popular event with over 700 visitors. Given the inclement weather the Community Picnic wasn't as well supported as hoped. A huge thank you to everyone that helped plan, run and volunteered at any of the celebrations.

The Parish Council were awarded £1800 for the Jubilee weekend from the National Lottery along with an additional £315 for wall mounted flags from a member of the community and a free hamper from National Grid. The grant was used to fund a variety of items from bunting to printing tickets, advertising, refreshments, picnics for our pupil premium families among other things. Almost all of the events benefitted from the grant and therefore indirectly benefitting the groups / organisations running them / residents attending.

#### ii) Youth Club Grants

The first course of six face-to-face cooking sessions have begun and being enjoyed by the young people attending Youth Club. There is another course planned for September and then it is hoped that YMCA Dulverton will be able to build cookery into their regular sessions.

### iii) **NEST pension**

The Parish Council has been re-enrolled in the NEST pension scheme for the next three years. Currently only the Clerk is enrolled although it will need to be considered for the Communications Officer in the future.

#### 093/22 To note the training and events available and agree any attendance (agenda item 6)

#### i) ALCA e-learning on nimble

The training was noted

#### ii) Communications Training via ALCA

The training was noted

#### iii) Finance Training via ALCA

The training was noted

#### iv) 'Scribe' Finance Training via ALCA

The training was noted

#### v) Introduction to Local Councils E-Learning Course FREE

The training was noted

# 094/22 To agree the installation of an Information Board at the entrance to West Street Car Park using permitted development rights (agenda item 7)

**Resolved** – To agree to the installation of an Information Board at the entrance to West Street Car Park using permitted development rights.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

# 095/22 To discuss and agree a way forward in relation to the replacement fencing at Riverside (agenda item 8)

Given that there were 4 options the Clerk asked if a way forward could be agreed so that quotes were easier to obtain. Fencing quotes were now only being held for a week.

**Resolved –** That given the rural nature of Riverside Green that the Council would like to pursue option 4 the bow top fencing in powder green.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

**Resolved –** That due to the timescales with contractors holding quotes for only a week then the Clerk be given delegated powers to approve a quote after sourcing three quotes.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

The Clerk updated the meeting that a second quote of £350 had been obtained for the removal of the old fence.

**Resolved –** To approve the removal and disposal of the old fencing by JK Gardening for £350.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

# 096/22 To agree the preferred contractor for the replacement lights for LED at the Youth & Community Centre (agenda item 9)

**Resolved –** To agree that Contractor 2 be the approved contractor for the replacement lights for LED at the Youth & Community Centre.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

# 097/22 To discuss and approve the Clerks exceptional overtime in May, an additional 10hrs above the contractual overtime, 22 hours in total (agenda item 10)

**Resolved –** To agree an additional 10hrs exceptional overtime for May.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

### 098/22 To agree a response to North Somersets Development Sites Consultation (agenda item 11)

**Resolved –** To submit the response presented as part of the agenda papers as the Parish Council response for North Somersets Development Sites Consultation.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

### 099/22 To authorise bills for payment for June (agenda item 12)

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

**Resolved:** To authorise the bills for payment sheet for June of £20,065.27. Cllr Harding and Cllr McCarthy to authorise the BACs payments.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

# 100/22 To note the Parish Council's end of May's net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation (agenda item 13)

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

## 101/22 Dates of the next meetings (agenda item 14)

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 7pm Planning Committee and Youth & Community Centre Committee meetings at Banwell Youth & Community Centre.

Monday 18th July, 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting at Banwell Youth & Community Centre.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:10	Chairman
	Date