

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7:00 p.m.  
in the Parish Hall**

**Mr. R. Hayward**  
**Mrs. J. John**  
**Mr. C. Winpenny (Chair)**

1. **221 Apologies for Absence** – None,
2. **222 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – None
3. **223 Confidential Matters** – None
4. **224 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Approved and signed by the Chairman.
5. **Financial Matters**

Deposit Account Bath Building Society	9,015.89
Community Infrastructure Balance - unspent	2,669.48

**234 Parish Councillor Vacancy** – The resignation of Mr. A. Done has now also been received. The vacancy has been advertised over the last few weeks and as such can now be filled by co-option without any further notice as we are close to the elections in May 2019.

- 235 GDPR Compliance and Data Privacy Policy** - The Data Privacy Policy is not yet complete as the clerk has not had sufficient time to do this. It will need to be done for the next meeting for adoption and so that councillors will have plenty of time to review it beforehand.
- 236 Allotments** – Nothing further to report
- 237 Promoting interest in and awareness of, the Parish Council** – The feature for the next Parish Notes was presented to the meeting. The chair, Cllr. Jenny John and Cllr. Patrick Dawson will finalise the draft.
- 7. General Parish Matters**
- 238 Parking in the Village** – There was no further progress to report and the Parish Council is unable to arrive at any new further proposals to take forward.
- 239 Southstoke Lane and Village Road Safety** – Quiet Lane Scheme Proposal - The Parish Council discussed the rather negative and disinterested response from the B&NES Officer. However, in the light of the recent accident in which a resident sustained significant injuries, it was agreed that the Parish Council should write to B&NES and state the need for some measures and exert pressure for B&NES Council to act. When writing the clerk was asked to insist upon a site meeting with a B&NES Officer to discuss and agree some appropriate measure.
- 240 Midford Road/Village & Castle Bend – road safety issues** – The scheme as proposed by B&NES Highways is not fully implemented as detailed in the plans. The change to the speed limits, and significant parts of the road painting have yet to be done. The clerk was asked to write and request a progress report.
- 241 Combe Path Lawn BA22/7-8 Diversion and Crossing** – Since B&NES Highways will not implement any of the road safety measures until the next financial year 2109/20, this matter is deferred until the next meeting so that any comments and requests to Highways will be more current.
- 242 Broadband provision in Southstoke and Midford** - TrueSpeed have been active in the area carrying out works in Combe Hay and surveying South Stoke. It is understood that they are close to recruiting sufficient customers to reach their 30%, but it is not known what area they are applying this 30% to.
- 243 Midford Telephone Box** – Proposals for the Midford Railway station are awaited before taking any decisions on the future works for the Telephone Box. Ward Cllr. Neil Butters agreed a meeting with the Parish Council on 1<sup>st</sup> February at 12:30 in the Hope and Anchor for the Midford Station project.
- 244 Village Hall** – It was reported that the Village Hall Committee is wishing to clear the ivy and mend the roof and gutters on the two outside toilets, together with re-flooring and redecorating the inside toilet. The Parish Council is asked to earmark its Village Hall funding in 2019/20 for these works.
- 245 Police liaison** – The PCSO Meeting took place on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January and was well attended, effective and useful. It was noted that the best place to report matters is on the Avon & Somerset Police website. The next meeting is scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the Packhorse.
- 8. Footpaths and Open Spaces**
- 246 Footpaths** – Nothing further to report.
- 247 Millennium Viewpoint – Damage from Vandalism** – The chair and Mr. Robert Hellard are procuring quotations for the most appropriate works. Once received the clerk can progress the insurance claim.
- 248 Village Green** – Nothing further to report.
- 249 Churchyard** – A new agreement has been received. The clerk was asked to write back and say that subject to the amendments we have made to Parish Council is willing to sign this agreement.
- 9. Planning Matters**
- 250 Planning Update - Sulis Down Planning Application Ref 17-02588-EFUL and Master Plan** – APPLICATION APPROVED at Development Management Committee on 6th June 2018 by 6 votes to 4. The application is now in the process of a Section 106 Agreement which must be concluded before it is formally permitted. B&NES Officers are currently drawing up the Section 106 agreement with the developers and the Parish Council has requested involvement in this process. The clerk has written to make this request again, and has now also written to the Chair of the Development Management Committee to ask the DMC to instruct the officers to involve/consult the Parish Council in the Section 106 process. It is thought that the slowing housing market may be influencing the developers to proceed more slowly on this matter.
- 251 Applications Received**
- 18/05540/FUL - 5 Tucking Mill Cottages, Tucking Mill Lane, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7DB** - Replacement of existing single-storey side extension with new two-storey side extension. Refurbishment of and extension to existing 'out-building'. Replacement of existing windows and external doors throughout. – The Parish Council agreed they wished to make no comment on this application.
- 252 18/04941/FUL - 6 Alder Way, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2DU** - Conversion of 1no dwellings to 2no dwellings. - Parish Council agreed they wished to make no comment on this application,
- 253 19/00058/FUL - Lower Barn, Packhorse Lane. South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DJ** - External alterations to include - relocation of external porch, creation of stone infill to create enclosed rear entrance, and change of garden storage room to study. Creation of new windows. – The Parish Council has No Objection to this proposal as there is no increase in volume. We are also pleased to see the use of appropriate materials.

- 254 Decisions Pending - NONE**
- 255 Planning Decisions by B&NES**  
**18/04157/FUL - The Priory, Old School Hill, South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DW-** Change of use from pub garden to private garden including the addition of a fence and wall and erection of a shed. (Retrospective) **REFUSED**  
**18/04158/LBA - The Priory, Old School Hill, South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DW-** Exterior alterations to include rebuild & partly relocate & extend dry & mortared rubble bath stone wall. Erection of low rubble stone retaining wall in south east corner. Installation of gates, erection of a wooden fence. Installation of limestone path & garden seat platform & forming of bin/log store. (Retrospective) (Retrospective) **REFUSED**  
**18/03822/FUL - Midford Castle Access Road To Midford Castle, Midford, Bath BA2 7BU -** Renovation of the coach-house, greenhouse, basement & former offices at Midford Castle to provide ancillary residential as well as occasional holiday-let accommodation. **PERMITTED**  
**18/03823/LBA - Midford Castle Access Road To Midford Castle, Midford, Bath BA2 7BU -** Internal and external alterations to include conservation and renovation of the coach-house, greenhouse, basement, former offices at Midford Castle to provide ancillary residential as well as occasional holiday-let accommodation. **PERMITTED**  
**18/04996/FUL - Upper Twinhoe Farm, Upper Twinhoe, Wellow, Bath -** Change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian use & retention of existing horse walker. **PERMITTED**  
**18/04997/FUL - Upper Twinhoe Farm, Upper Twinhoe, Wellow, Bath -** Provision of new horse walker. (Resubmission) **PERMITTED**
- 256 Planning Appeals - NONE**
- Enforcement Update**
- 257 18/00406/UNDEV- Parcel 1685 Combe Hay Lane Midford Bath - Erection of encampment on private land.** It has been reported that a stone structure with tiled roof has appeared at this site, near the encampment. Both being well hidden with the current cover of foliage. The encampment has been in place for at least 2 months this summer. **No Further Action as structures have been removed.**
- Other Planning Matters to Report**
- 258 Commercial Waste at Bella Vista Farm –** A resident has reported the possible dumping of commercial waste at Bella Vista Farm. The clerk will suggest the resident passes the matter to Planning Enforcement if it is continuing.
- 10. Highway Matters**
- 259 Maintenance Update and Road Safety Issues –** It has been reported that ‘village drain’ may be causing a problem in the verge and has asked the Parish Council to take the matter up with Highways. However, as this is on private land the clerk was asked to write to the owner and draw their attention to it, so if appropriate they could discuss it with B&NES Highways or whoever else might be interested.
- 11. B&NES Matters**
- 260 Cam Valley Forum (BathAvon) Forum –** The next meeting is 14<sup>th</sup> February.
- 261 PARISH LIAISON MEETING –** The next meeting is 6<sup>th</sup> March.
- 262 Bath Preservation Trust –** The next meeting is January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 12. Other Matters to Report – None**
- 13. Correspondence Received**
- 263 B&NES – Draft Community Asset Transfer Policy –** Consultation – As no assets within the Parish could be identified the Parish Council has no comments to make.
- 264 Royal Garden Party 2019 –** ALCA Nominations to attend – The clerk was asked to nominate Robert and Jane Hellard again.
- 14. 265 Dates for Future Meetings –** The following dates for meetings for the coming year were agreed.  
 Parish Council Meetings: March 11th 2019  
 Annual Parish Meeting: April 15th 2019  
 Annual Parish Council Meeting: May 20th 2019

**The meeting closed at 22:02**