

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17th MAY 2004
HELD IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM, MOUNTAIN WOOD.

Present	Councillor Mrs S. Beazer	Chair
	" Mrs S. Broadway	
	" Mrs M.Breeze	
	" Mrs W. Chambers	
	" Mr S.Cherry	
	" Mr A. Ginn	
	" Mrs J.Hooker	
	" Mr J.Lloyd	
	" Mr R.Wickham	

Apologies Councillor Mr P.Ardley

330 The meeting began with Councillor Ginn giving a resume of the Local Channel explaining its history and its purpose. It was agreed to give it further consideration. Put on the agenda for the next meeting Action Clerk

Public Five Minutes.

331. Nettles in Birdcage Walk. The Chairman will take up with B&NES. Action Chair

332. Bus Shelter. Weather protection required on the open sides. It was agreed that a protective side should be provided. Councillor Lloyd will obtain quotes. Action Councillor Lloyd

Minutes of the Last Meeting.

333 Item 328 amend "Councillor Wickham" to read "Councillor Ginn".

Item 324 Councillor Mrs Broadway has resigned from the Planning Committee, not from the Parish Council.

After which the minutes were signed as a true record of proceedings.

Matters Arising

334/317 Warleigh Lane Sweeping. A revised programme is being prepared by B&NES.

335/319 Steps at Birdcage Walk. Question of ownership still with B&NES.

336/325 Woods at Warleigh Lane. No reply has been received from B&NES. Clerk will hasten a reply with a copy to District Councillor A.Cox. Action Clerk

Correspondence.

337 Calor Village of the Year. It was agreed that as the correspondence had arrived to late for the Council to take action, the correspondence would be put on the notice board in the Post Office.

338 Copy of a letter to South West Regional Office from Bathampton regarding the A36/46 link. It stated that as the proposal has been made for B&NES to take over the study, there would effectively be a delay for some little time.

339 Letter from the Mendip Cross Trails Trust. It was agreed that the Clerk should write asking for a definition of what is a "Green Way".

Action

Clerk

340 Letter from B&NES regarding Emergency Planning. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to B&NES stating that the time scale and amount of information required was unrealistic for the resources of a Parish Council.

Action

Clerk.

340 The District Council has agreed to a plan which will involve the closure of Tynedale. It is unclear what will be the future of the property and the site.

Planning.

341 The following proposals were supported:-

04/01057/FUL 3 Prospect Place. Hard Standing.

04/01064/FUL 95 Mountain Wood. Loft Conversion.

04/01162/FUL 33 Bathford Hill. Replacement Garage.

04/00893/FUL Avalon Bradford Road. Replacement Conservatory.

342 The following proposals have been refused permission:-

04/00379/FUL Jewsonsvie Farm Conversion of Barn to Dwelling.

(There has now been a further proposal to convert to light industrial)

04/00380/FUL 11 Dovers Park. Erection of 4 Garages.

343 Following the Council objections to a proposal by Vodaphone for a mast at Claverton, further letter has been received. This will be considered by the Committee.

344 It was agreed that Councillor Mrs Hooker would ask B&NES for copies of the latest development plan.

Action

Councillor Mrs Hooker

Committee Reports.

Amenities

345 Playing Field: New Swings have been fitted. Gates: It was proposed, seconded and agreed by the Council that Ironart's quotation of £1320 be accepted. Bunday to be instructed to start work on fence repairs and extra gate at a cost of £1800 + Vat. Cricket hut question still in abeyance.

346 Allotments: In future the rent review would be simplified by reviewing "Single Plot", then making all other rents a fraction of this figure.

347 Cleaning. Second Playing Field bin to be installed. It was suggested that the "Village Green" bin be relocated to a more conspicuous position.

348 It was suggested that the seat on the A363 should be moved to the playing field.

Highways.

349 The cats eyes on the A363 will be replaced by end July. It was agreed that B&NES should be asked to remove the post in the slipway on the way to the Post Office, as it restricts the use of the lane by wheelchairs and double baby buggies.

Action Clerk

350 B&NES should be asked for a revised resurfacing schedule.

Action Clerk

351 There will be a meeting on 19th May with B&NES, the Police etc to consider safety on the A363/Warleigh Lane junction.

Finance.

351 It was proposed by Councillor Lloyd, seconded by Councillor Cherry that the following accounts be presented for payment:-

Bathford Parish Hall Hire of Hall	£ 45.00
S.D.Beazer Chairman's expenses	£ 12.50
Somer Community Housing Trust Hire of Community Room	£ 23.50
C.F.Warner Salary + Petty Cash	£440.00
SWEB Office Electricity	£ 11.46
R. Millbank Grass Cutting Etc	£290.00

Ironart Bath £330.00
Deposit. New Playing Field Gates.

352 It was agreed that the Council would make a small budget available to support the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Allocation of Housing

353 Chairman has had a letter from Somer Housing regarding allocation of Housing. Local people are granted 80 points. It was agreed that the Clerk would send the form to the Rural Housing Trust
Action Clerk

354 It was agreed that the Clerk would ask Fiona Hull tel 366019 if she could attend the next Council meeting and explain the Housing policy.
Action Clerk

Items for the Bulletin.

355 Use the Post Office, Volunteers needed to prepare the Bulletin. .Sweeping Dates. Dog Fouling. Date of next meeting.

Any Other Business

356 Councillor Ginn has in hand a proposal for a cycle lane from the Village to the Canal.
Action Councillor Ginn

357 Add Notice Boards to the agenda for the next meeting. Action Clerk

Date of Next meeting.

357 The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 21st June.