

MINUTES OF THE **WRAXALL & FAILAND PARISH COUNCIL** MEETING HELD AT FAILAND VILLAGE
HALL 7.30PM TUESDAY 8 MARCH 2011

PRESENT – Cllrs. Robinson (Chairman), Mrs Shaw, Pratt, Mrs Moon, King, Sage, Thompson, Law & Delmas

IN ATTENDANCE – D/Cllr. Cook (from 7.40pm), PC Adam Clarke & Clerk.

APOLOGIES – Cllrs. Ambrose, Sheppard & D/Cllr. Roberts.

PUBLIC – Mark Lewis.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Nil.

23 MINUTES – Minutes of the meeting held 8 February 2011 were agreed and signed.

24 CRIME FIGURES – Eight crimes had occurred between last meeting and this one.
Theft of Logs, Domestic assault, Theft of scrap metal, Theft of number plates,
Theft of Oil, Possible cannabis – vehicle on B3130 – passenger cautioned,
Two Driving away from Budgens Petrol Station.
D/Cllr. Cook asked if drugs are confiscated. Yes, always.

25 ISSUES

- a) **PYLONS** – Three meetings are coming up – 16 March – NG speaking to Somerset Cllrs.
17 March – Cllrs. Ambrose & Pratt.
18 March – User groups.

There has been a report by KEMA (arbiters) re under-grounding costs
Congresbury are now on side.

- b) **WEB SITE** – Development is going well. It will go live when one principle has been agreed
The new Web site address is www.waf.cc

- c) **MILLENNIUM GREEN** – Two Councillors have been assessing the site. Under the swings needs
urgent attention and it was thought that a box swing should replace one of the ordinary seats so
that toddlers can use it. They are not big enough to use the regular swings. Cllr. King felt that
something should be done regarding the manhole cover which is almost in a goal mouth.
A working party of Cllrs. Robinson, King & Law will meet at the site to consider what needs to be
done to make the whole area safe. Costa to be obtained

- d) **GLB's re Field Shelter** – D/Cllr. Cook said that the only breach of conditions in respect of this site
is the keeping of Horse Boxes. Mrs Waugh has been told to move them to comply with the
planning application conditions. D/Cllr. Cook and Cllr. Sage are to meet her on site. Cllr. Sage
said that Mrs Warne went to Appeal re. the Horse Boxes and lost the Appeal.

It was also mentioned that the Cricket Club (next to GLB's) had increased their pitch by 60%.
Sheep were on the extra land at present which does not constitute a breach.. D/Cllr. Cook & Cllr.
Sage are to meet Mrs Warne on Wednesday 16th at 10am.

Cllr. Pratt left the meeting at 8.23pm.

- e) **CORE STRATEGY** – This document has been sent round to Cllrs.
D/Cllr. Cook said that NSC are asking if this is 'A sound document'. The document can be
challenged – it is Strategy not a finished plan.
Cllr. Sage said there was no mention of W&F. Cllr. Robinson said that at the briefing W&F are
classed as Countryside – Not infill village & No settlement boundary.
Cllr. Mrs Shaw said that it was a contradiction in terms – Green Belt will not be touched BUT
Nailsea will be built in the GB.
Cllr. King has a copy of the Replacement Local Plan and asked if this overrides it. He was told
that the 'new' document is the one to use.
Cllr. Law was concerned re. Nailsea wanting some of our GB land.
Building will have to be within the boundary (inc. Affordable & Social Housing).
It was thought that we should get our feelings down on paper to send to NSC.

- f) IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE – Road Safety – Speed Limit Change on B3128 – No update.

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PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

- a) APPLICATION 11/P/0118/F – Construction of an artificial sports pitch with associated access, floodlights and fencing for Bristol Grammar School at Bristol Grammar School Playing Fields, off Beggar Bush Lane, Long Ashton.
RECOMMENDATION – No objection in principle, to a new pitch, but would like the concerns we express to be addressed before a decision is made. Concerns re Impact on the Green Belt, Light Pollution & Parking.
- b) APPLICATION 11/P/0203/F Erection of tractor and machinery store for mixed use both in association with maintenance of residential curtilage adjoining footpath and woodland for Mr D Wring on Land Adjacent to Lowood, Tickenham Hill, Tickenham (Cllrs. Law & Robinson)
TICKENHAM APPLICATION.
RECOMMENDATION – No objection.

AND IF READY

- c) APPLICATION 11/P/0230/TPO T1 – Ash – Fell for Ellis Vero 6 Owen Drive Failand (Cllr King)
It was felt that this should be reduced NOT felled. Cllr. King has spoken to TPO section and the application will be re-submitted.
- d) APPLICATION 11/P/0233/TPO T1 to T5 – Poplar x 5 – Fell for Failand & Portbury Cricket Club Cricket Ground, Horse Race Lane, Failand.
RECOMMENDATION – NOT to fell (Not diseased).
- e) APPLICATION 11/P/0237/F – Erection of a single storey rear extension for Mr A Harris, 7 Watercress Close, Wraxall
RECOMMENDATION – Approve.
- f) APPLICATION 11/P/0262/F – Erection of replacement single storey dwelling following demolition of bungalow for Mr & Mrs Pickering re The Bungalow, West Hill, Wraxall.
RECOMMENDATION - There is great concern regarding this proposal.
Each drawing is of a different scale.
Ridge going across is of a different height from front to back. Another plan shows the reverse.
Slope of the land is not represented.
The drawings are not good. They are misleading.
Currently views of the valley can be seen from the road. The views will be lost with this proposal.
The proposal is aesthetically poor from the road view. Does not fit in with the street scene.
The skyline should not be compromised.
The statement is for 50% but the footprint looks more like 100%.
This would appear to be against the emerging Core Strategy.
The application mentions a laurel hedge - not shown on the drawings. If this is planted at the road edge it will block the neighbours site line.
Another neighbour has filed an objection to the proposal.
VOTING - 5 Against, 1 Abstention & 2 For.
- g) APPLICATION 11/P/0272/F – Erection of a rear extension at first floor level over existing bathroom and kitchen for Mr C Wait, 3 Ferney Row, Green Lane, Failand.
RECOMMENDATION – No objection.
- h) TPO 987 has recently been made by NSC and formal notices have been served on the Owner(s)/Occupier(s) of the land Failand & Portbury Cricket Club, land to the immediate south, Horse Race Lane, Failand. The TPO covers all of Area A1 of the map sent by NSC

APPLICATION 11/P/0286/F was mentioned. Change of use from plant nursery and adj. ag. Land to mixed use to include an additional use of land & existing buildings to run a training and day care unit for dogs (Max. 8).

One letter of concern from a distant neighbour has been received. Decision will be reported on the next Agenda as the recommendation has to be with NSC before the next meeting.

- l) Clerk reported on decisions made by North Somerset Council on Planning Applications previously considered by this Parish Council.

It was mentioned that the screening trees at Fire Station in Nailsea had died. D/Cllr Cook said that he would look into it.

27 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION – No items.

28 PROW

- a) IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE – Cllr. Pratt (Chairman of the Implementation Committee) had left the meeting earlier so no report at this time..
b) Proposed Diversion of LA 20/21 – Fir Trees, Stoney Steep. No objections.

29 MEETINGS

- a) SUSTAINABLE ENERGY SEMINAR 26 MARCH 2011 – 4 places booked JT, RD, BS, DR.

30 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) PCAA response to the BANES draft Core Strategy. (3 pages available)
b) ALCA update. (E-mail sent 2.3.2011 refers)

31 FINANCE

- a) STREET FURNITURE MAINTENANCE – Cllrs. To think who might be approached to maintain the Bus Shelters.
b) ZURICH INSURANCE – Renewal – Extra Items? Extra items on Millennium Green.
c) GRASS MAINTENANCE – TENDERS. Three tenders were opened. After a discussion it was arranged for Cllrs. King & Law to meet to talk with the person giving the lowest tender to see if he understood the amount of grass maintenance we needed, as it was felt that he would not be able to do this for the amount stated
d) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – Approved.

Chq. No.	Payee	Details	Amount
2024	John Chapman	Website Hosting	71.86
D/D	Opal	Phone Line Rental, Broadband, Calls 17 Jan to 31 Jan. First Bill higher to catch up as 1 month to be paid in advance.	55.33
2025	All Saints Cross Tree Centre	Hire for PC meeting 8 Feb. 2011	£24.00
2026	Woodland Trust	Subscription	£72.00
2027	Fountains Environmental	Emptying Dog Bins – Dec 2010	16.45
S/O	Mrs F Shattock	Salary – Feb 2011	1089.47
D/D	Talk Talk Business (was Opal)	Phone Line Rental, Broadband, Calls 17 Feb to 3 March	41.57
2028	Fountains Environmental	Emptying Dog Bins – Jan 2011	£21.60
2029	Mrs J Cobb	Safety Reports – Mill. Green – Feb '11	£40.00
2030	Doug MacMillan	Domain name & Hosting Web site	66.95

32 CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS – Nil.

33 BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING - Nil