

MINUTES OF THE **WRAXALL & FAILAND PARISH COUNCIL** HELD AT 7.30PM ON TUESDAY 12  
JANUARY 2016 IN FAILAND VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT** – Cllrs. Robinson (Chairman), Malpas (Joint Vice Chair), Amos, Mrs Vowles, Sheppard, King, Delmas, Mrs Moon, Sage, Mrs Lock (Joint Vice Chair) & Law.

**APOLOGIES** – Dist. Cllrs Cave & Stowey.

**IN ATTENDANCE** – Simon Beck re Allotments

**PUBLIC** – 9

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – Cllr Sage re 4c – Neighbour.

**1 MINUTES** – The Minutes of the meeting held 8 December 2015 were agreed and signed.

**5 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION**

c **ROAD SAFETY ON FLAX BOURTON ROAD** – A meeting was held last Thursday following a public meeting last October. It was attended by Cllrs. Robinson, Sheppard, Mrs Moon and 7 residents. No reply yet received regarding possible monies from Highways Dept. of North Somerset Council (NSC). Bristol Airport has been contacted regarding taxis using Flax Bourton Road to access the Airport and they have advised Arrow Taxis of resident's concerns. Also this project could be eligible for a grant from the Airport Community Fund. This would only be possible if NSC have approved a scheme. It was agreed the Road Safety Working Group would meet to discuss when further information was received from John Painter.

**3 ISSUES**

a **ALLOTMENTS**. Nailsea Town Council (NTC) has agreed to match our Budget figure for this project (£9000). There will be a meeting with NTC and our Allotment Group next Tuesday. From this we may learn what NTC has found from already having allotments. Preference for the lease to be joint with WFPC & NTC so there is joint responsibility. Cllr. Law asked if it was a good use of public money to provide allotments to 15 persons who have indicated that they would like to rent one. He queried that we may put up the money and then not be able to obtain grants. Taylor Woodrow, holders of the Covenant on the land, need to agree the change of use and give permission for any structures, eg fences, gates and storage before we seek to agree a lease or request planning permission.

**4 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT**

a **APPLICATION 15/P/2738/F** – Erection of a single storey side and rear extension for Mr Delaine, 9 Woodland Close, Failand.

This application had no location site plan, just copies of the layout. There were no details on the plans. Residents at no. 15 & no. 11 are both against the proposal. Resident at no. 17 felt that the roof height would affect him. Nos. 11, 17 & 19 have already objected to NSC.

MEETING CLOSED 8.00PM.

Simon Lee, no 15, addressed the council. He felt that Cllr. Sheppard had mentioned all the salient

points but he added that the garage is too small to hold a car so parking will most likely be in the turning circle of the road.

MEETING RE-OPENED 8.02PM

Highways officer has stated that a 4 bed house should have 3 parking spaces.

Councillors objected to PA's being accepted and published on the website with no dimensions – NSC do not give dimensions. The Clerk was requested to raise this with the NSC Planning team.

RECOMMENDATION – NOT to support – No dimensions, not to scale, No parking. Query privacy at no. 15. VOTING – UNANIMOUS.

## **2 CRIME FIGURES**

There was no Police presence and no crime report.

Cllr. King stated that his vehicle had been found and he has it back but it is un-useable for its previous purpose.

## **3 ISSUES**

b TELEPHONE KIOSK – The Police have provided very limited feedback and Cllrs. wished to know why this was not being progressed further. Cllr. Sage explained his plan for repairing the phone box and agreed to restore the box to the correct alignment using concrete to level the base.

c WRAXALL SCHOOL CROSSING. Chairman has sent a letter to the Executive member (Cllr. Hall) but has yet to receive a reply. There is to be a meeting on Friday 15 January at Castlewood – Cllrs. Robinson & Mrs Vowles will attend. The Council endorsed the approach taken by the Chairman. It is understood that the cost of funding the patrol would be £4,500 each year.

Cllr. Sage gave a vote of thanks to the Chairman for all the research he had undertaken in this matter.

d MILLENNIUM GREEN - The Chairman thanked Cllr. Law for his work in arranging for the contractor, Touch Wood, to replace the timber that appeared to be rotting on the zip wire and the log trail and for supervising the installation of the Springer. The equipment in the play area was now at a good standard.

## **4 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT**

b APPLICATION 15/P/2767/F – Erection of a conservatory extension following demolition of porch for Mrs J Lineham, Belmont Farm, Belmont Hill, Wraxall.

Again no dimensions. However it was felt to be No Problem.

RECOMMENDATION – Support – unanimous.

c APPLICATION 15/P/2772/F – Erection of single storey side and rear extensions following demolition of coal shed. Construction of a new terrace for Mr & Mrs Humphreys, Stone Cottage, Failand Lane, Failand.

RECOMMENDATION – Support -No problem in principle – not 100% certain on materials.

Voting - Unanimous (1 Dec. of Interest). More detailed report sent to NSC.

d APPLICATION 15/P/2809/F – Proposed boundary wall with railings incorporating 2 no. sliding gates to front of property for Mr P Holt, the Firs, 16 Flax Bourton Road, Failand.

RECOMMENDATION – NOT to support. Not coherent with the Street scene and there is a strong objection from a resident.

e *Decisions made by North Somerset Council on Planning Applications previously considered by this council.*

*APPLICATION 15/P/2477/LB – Reinstate timber gates and mission brick/stone pier to west side of The Bothy for National Trust, Tyntesfield. CONSENT GRANTED*

*APPLICATION 15/P.2418/LB – Proposed rebuilding of existing chimney at Jubilee Cottages, 71 – 72 Bristol Road, Wraxall. CONSENT GRANTED.*

*APPLICATION 15/P/2005/F – Erection of a first floor extension to the north elevation for Mr J Stewart, Birdswell, Stoney Steep, Ham Lane, Wraxall. CONSENT GRANTED.*

f EMAIL PROTOCOL FOR NOMINATING INVESTIGATING COUNCILLORS FOR A PLANNING APPLICATION. (Defer to February).

## 5 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION

a TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF VEHICLES – Failand Lane – entire length –

5 February for 1 day for carriageway patching.

b ROAD SAFETY ON TOWER HOUSE LANE, WRAXALL. – Report on current position.

c ROAD SAFETY ON FLAX BOURTON ROAD. – Reported earlier in these minutes.

d Cllr. Sheppard reported the standing water on Oxhouse Lane just down from the junction with the B3128.

Mrs Moon mentioned recurring pot holes at Woodland Way/Sixty Acres Close junction.

Other Cllrs. asked for Standing Water to be reported – poor drainage B3128, Oxhouse Lane, near the cottages at B3128 end of the lane (as reported and said to be dealt with last year), Sandy Lane by Laurel farm (also reported last year) and also bottom of Tower House Lane, water coming out of the field, across the lay by and onto the B3130 – Dangerous when icy – (reported several times last year)

**6 PROW**

- a WORKING GROUP - This has now been formed and is made up of Cllrs. Sheppard, Law, Delmas; Hugh Vowles; Nick Pitt and Ruth Chapman.

Cllr. Sheppard gave a brief report on his work on Mr Neale's suggestion for a Festival Way cycle route through the Tyntesfield estate. Whilst the NT welcomed visitors to use cycles to visit the property, they did not wish to see the current tarmacadam drive being used as a convenient route between the B3128 and the B3130, with cyclists hurtling through. Further discussions will be taking place.

**7 MEETINGS**

- a BRISTOL AIRPORT VISIT 9 DEC. (Email report sent to Cllrs. 10 December).
- b TOWN & PLANNING FORUM –Briefing 16 Dec.( Email report sent to Cllrs. 21 Dec.)
- c ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP meeting to discuss speed limits around Failand was held on 7 January in Failand Village Hall. Cllr. Sheppard wished to advise the Council of progress with NSC before holding a further meeting of the Road Safety Working Group.
- d CPRE Workshop – Joint Spatial Plan & Joint Transport Study 11 January, Jubilee Pavilion, Long Ashton. Chairman attended an interesting meeting.
- e ALLOTMENTS WORKING GROUP meeting with NTC 2pm 19 Jan. Tithe Barn. Noted.

**8 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a NAILSEA SKATE PARK - E-mailed thanks from Ian Morrell (NTC) & Phil Williams regarding our proposed grant.
- b FREE ANNUAL FLOWERS SCHEME – 2016. E-mail from NSC. We do not wish to take up their offer.
- c JOINT SPATIAL PLAN – ISSUES & OPTIONS – Consultation ends 29.1.16. The Chairman's offer to draft comments was accepted.
- d JOINT TRANSPORT STUDY FOR WEST OF ENGLAND – Consultation ends 29.1.16. Noted.
- e STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP - 1 December. (Deferred)
- f PARKING DOWN THE GROVE – Defer until Heather Pickstock attends our meeting.
- g NEW YEAR HONOURS NOMINATIONS – 2017. Any?
- h FUTURE OF AUDIT SERVICES. Leave as now. (Decided by NALC).

**9 FINANCE**

a OPTION TO PAY THE WEB FEE QUARTERLY OR ANNUALLY.- Leave as Monthly

b ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – Voting Unanimous.

Chq. No.	Payee	Details	Amount
2590	Giles Harris	Fixing of Springer at Mill. Green	200.00
2591	Cross Tree Centre	Hire for 7 meetings in 2016	315.00
2592	Intouchcrm	Monthly Web fee – Dec 2015	35.99
2593	Dreamscape Gardening	2 <sup>nd</sup> extra cut at Mill. Green.	60.00
2595	Failand Village Hall	Hire for 4 meetings in 2016	103.00
2596	NSC	Election expenses for May2015	145.66
2597	Cathryn Butler	Admin. support Nov/ Dec 2015	89.25
2598	Mrs F Shattock	Reimburse – TalkTalk Dec2015	43.26
2599	Mrs F Shattock	Net Salary	
2600	HMRC	Tax & NIC – Oct. to Dec. 2015	539.78

(2594 cancelled)

c MANDATE - for signature – signed by existing signatories Cllrs. Robinson & Delmas.

RESOLUTION – The authorised signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in Section 2, be changed in accordance with Section 5 & 6 and the current mandate will continue as amended. (Remove Chris Ambrose, Phil Smith, Jon Thompson & Hugh Pratt. Add Ian Malpas, Mrs Alison Lock, Mrs Lucy Vowles & Paul Amos. **This resolution is needed before the Bank will act on the Mandate.** Individual form given to each ‘new’ signatory for completion.

d BUSINESS PHONE OPTION (Defer to February)

**10 CHAIRMAN’S URGENT BUSINESS****11 BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING 8e, 9d.**