

MINUTES OF THE **WRAXALL & FAILAND PARISH COUNCIL** ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held 7.30pm
8 May 2012 in Failand Village Hall.

PRESENT – Cllrs. Robinson (Chairman) Mrs Shaw, Pratt, Sheppard, Law & Delmas.

IN ATTENDANCE - Clerk.

APOLOGIES – Cllrs. Mrs Moon, King, Ambrose, Sage & Thompson.

PUBLIC - Mark Lewis, Peter Sapsed.

ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

David Robinson proposed by Cllr. Mrs Shaw, seconded by Cllr. Law.
There being no other nominations Cllr. Robinson was re-elected unanimously.

ELECTION OF A VICE CHAIRMAN

Chris Ambrose was nominated by Cllr. Law and seconded by Cllr. Delmas
As Cllr. Ambrose was not at the meeting this appointment was left in abeyance.

The Chairman took Apologies & Declarations of Interest in the items below.

1 **MINUTES** – The minutes of the meetings held 10 April 2012 & APM 1 May 2012 were agreed and signed.

2 **ISSUES** -

c **QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE** – Taken out of order as Mr Sapsed was attending, to speak on this subject.

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Mr Sapsed explained that the Church were wishing to construct a garden adjacent to the Cross Tree Centre, to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee (The Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1897 is already commemorated in the Churchyard). They have taken advise from a professional garden designer who has suggested using the area, through the archway in the wall, as a grotto with ferns and a pool. Below this they are planning to have 2 sitting areas – one small quiet area, with a seat, for meditation and a second larger one with a seat and a tree. The cost is approx. £7000 excluding the seats – say 7-10k. There will be granite setts stating 'Created by Wraxall... They wish to 'echo' the Victorian memorial and also to enhance the Cross Tree Centre. He asked if the PC would contribute towards this.

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There were reservations that it is to be in the Church Grounds and not in view but felt that it would be worthy Cllr. Mrs Shaw said we should give the same as we are spending in Failand. Cllr Pratt said it should be the same amount as Failand so long as the wording on the stones came first. Proposed Cllr. Pratt seconded Cllr. Mrs Shaw. Unanimous voting. Cllr. Law said the Church looked 'well off' if spending £10,000 on a memorial. Mr Sapsed explained that the Church had been left a legacy and would be using some of that to supplement any contributions.

a **PYLONS** – Cllr. Pratt (in the absence of Cllr. Ambrose) gave an update. He said that Cllr. Ambrose now represented 21 of the 35 T & PC's in the area. He is good at dealing with people and has the authority. National Grid like our presentation and are 'on our side'. Cllr. Law wondered if EDF may change spending their money in France under the new President.

AT THIS POINT PROW WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER AS CLLR. PRATT WISHED TO LEAVE THE MEETING AS HE WAS GOING TO THE STATES ON BUSINESS THE FOLLOWING MORNING.

PROW

a **TYNTESFIELD SPRINGS** – Result of Hearing – Order Confirmed subject to modifications set out in the Formal Notice. The footpath may be made more friendly to disabled persons.

- b RIVERSIDE WALK – Informal discussions are taking place. Ramblers are objecting as they wish to go over the River and back.
- c WALK TO SCHOOL
The final landowner has agreed. Two orders have been sent to the landowners. Progress is slow but ongoing. There may be a link to the Village Club.

CLLR. PRATT LEFT THE MEETING

NS Footpath Forum is next Tuesday at 2.30. Cllr. Delmas is attending and Cllr. Law may be able to go.

ISSUES

- b WEB SITE – Ian Malpas is in correspondence with the chosen Company – 'In Touch with Communities' to hasten them.
- d OLYMPIC TORCH – Cllr. King has instigated purchase of Bunting & Signs. It appears that the 'run' will be from the Junction by Failand Post Office, not from the Telephone Box on Clevedon Road as previously thought.
Cllr. Sage has had a banner produced stating 'Come and Cheer'. Cost £30. Paid in Cash by Cllr. Sage – reimbursed. A small poster was given to Cllr. Law who said he would try to get it displayed in Budgen's or the School or Wraxall House. Cllr. Sheppard has been in touch with NS Times and the BBC hoping to get coverage of the event.
A Banner has been ordered stating 'Wraxall & Failand welcomes Olympic Torch runner Linda Nutting. Olympic Rings at bottom left and, Supporting CHSW, at bottom right. This is to be suspended from the 'forks' of a tractor parked in the field along from and opposite to Failand Village Hall. Possible cost £140. Proposed Cllr. Law seconded Cllr. Delmas. Unanimous for the proposal.
- e CONSULTATION ON NSC's PARK & STREET SCENE CONTRACT
Sent to all 17.4.12
Following a discussion it was decided that by excluding small local specialised contractors with low overheads would not necessarily be good for the local economy.
Contracting only with a single contractor with significantly greater overheads would not necessarily be more cost effective.
Cost saving may be achieved by delegating the letting or management of some of the contracting work to town councils.

3 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

- a APPLICATION 12/0613/NMA – Non Material Amendment to 11/P/1308/F – (Erection of gates and piers, replacement front porch, 2no dormers to front elevation with conversion of roof space, single storey extension to existing detached double garage to provide parking for total of 6 cars and to include 2no dormer windows to east elevation for solely domestic use in association with existing single dwelling and erection of a two storey rear extension) to include a first floor level raising ridge height and additional dormer to detached garage block to west of site for Mr & Mrs Mackendrick. Cedar Court, Lodge Lane, Wraxall (Info.Only)
- b APPLICATION 12/P/0647/F – Change of use from caretaker's accommodation in association with The Battleaxes Inn, to a separate dwelling for Mrs P Patel re Battleaxe Cottage, 1 The Grove, Wraxall.
RECOMMENDATION – No objection to the change of use. Voting 5/5.
- c NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS – All businesses in Failand have been contacted. All are concerned re. speed through the village and all want to leave the area as it is.
Carry the Parish Plan into NHP to give it more authority. Cllr. Mrs Shaw said that we need to 'protect ourselves'. Cllr. Robinson queried if the Core Strategy was strong enough to not need a NHP.
Planning Inspector rejected the possibility of having a link with Southfield Road onto B3130. If it is tried again we should mount an opposition – it worked last time.

It is said that there will be no development in our Parish but the NHP says where it is to be! Cllr. Robinson will attend the NH Forum (NPPF & Core Strategy) and will report back.

- d Clerk reported on decisions made by NSC on P/A's previously considered by this PC.

6 MEETINGS

FUTURE MEETINGS

- a NG LOCAL COMMUNITY FORUM – 10 MAY 7-9pm Backwell School
There will be a 'stand in' PC rep. for Cllr. Ambrose who is unable to attend.
Cllr. Robinson will attend on our behalf.
- b PARISH FORUM – 16 MAY – Council Offices 9.30am to 12 noon
Cllrs. Robinson will attend and maybe Cllr. Law.
- c LONG ASHTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – 18 MAY 6pm
Cllr. Robinson will attend

7 CORRESPONDENCE

- a CONSULTATION ON PARKS & STREET SCENE CONTRACT
Views requested between 16 April & 25 May. See 2e
- b CONSULTATION OF ADULT CARE, HEALTH AND HOUSING INFORMATION AND ADVICE
Cllrs. Voted for a response to be sent from the PC.
- c WARM STREETS INSULATION SCHEME NEW OFFER
Loft & Cavity Wall insulation now available to all.
- d MS THERAPY Invitation to open day at the new centre. 15.5.2012.
Clerk will attend

- e BROADBAND

MEETING CLOSED 9.09PM

Mark Lewis mentioned the call for Super Fast Broadband.

Cllr. Robinson said that a reply had been sent to Mike Amos, who had attended an earlier meeting, assuring him that we have responded to all we have had from NSC.

MEETING OPENED 9.11PM

4 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION

BROUGHT UP AT THE MEETING

RE FLOODING IN SANDY LANE Clerk has written to David Murphy. He is trying to get his Line Manager to find some monies to rectify this problem which has now been on going for some 2 years. He had promised early summer but is now stating autumn.

Cllr. Robinson said that he had contacted Pepe and asked if it would be better to report Pot Holes etc. direct to NS Web or to e-mail dcomments. Pepe is happy to continue having items reported to him or we could report direct.

Cllr. Mrs Shaw said that the site of the moved bus stop on Clevedon Road, by Beggar Bush Lane is dangerous with buses stopping out in the road (no bus pull in at the new site) just after the traffic lights. This has been reported to NSC but will be reported again.

Cllr. Robinson reported a large Pot Hole on the B3130 outside Wraxall House Hotel – heading west just after the turn for The Old Barn. This is masked as it is filled with water to a depth of 40mm. There are also 2 others on the other side of the B3130 nearer Nailsea.

Cllr. Mrs Shaw reported that residents have been putting dog waste into ordinary bins as there is no bin available in Failand. They say that they have been told to do so (Not by us!)

MEETING CLOSED 9.23PM– Mark Lewis said that there is a bin on QEH ground
 MEETING OPENED.9.25PM

8 FINANCE

- a ANNUAL RETURN – This had been audited by the internal Auditor, was agreed by all attending and was signed by the Chairman. It will now be sent to the external Auditors.
- b OPEN SPACES SOCIETY – Request for Donation – Rejected.
- c ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Chq No.	Payee	Details	Amount
2161	Cross Tree Centre	Hire for PC meeting 10.4.12	£24.00
2162	Cllr. Ambrose	Travelling Expenses General 21.87 Pylons 190.65	£212.52
2163	SLCC	Subscription	£140.00
2164	Signet Signs	APM Banner amendment 2' x 3' Poster	£69.60
2165	Chew Valley Trees	Jubilee Oak	£244.75
2166	Fountains	Emptying Dog Bins – March	Under Query
2167	Mrs F Shattock	Reimburse – Continuous Back up, Supplied & Fitted 123.98, Advert for APM 29.70, Stamps 25.79 before the price increase, Web server name 1.69 Viking printer paper, better price for 3 boxes 53.96, TalkTalk March 41.65 TalkTalk April 32.86	£309.63
2168	Mrs F Shattock	Net Salary	£893.07

9 CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS – Nil.

10 BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING – Nil.

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.37PM