

MINUTES OF THE **WRAXALL AND FAILAND PARISH COUNCIL** MEETING HELD AT THE CROSS TREE CENTRE AT 7.30PM ON TUESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2018

PRESENT: Cllrs Malpas (Vice Chairman), King, Law, Parsons, and Robinson.

District Cllrs Cave (from agenda item 170/18) and Mrs Stowey.

Parish Clerk – Tony Jay.

In the absence of the Chairman, the meeting was chaired by Cllr Malpas.

163/18 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Amos, Delmas, Mrs Lock, Mrs Moon, Sage and Sheppard. *Please note minute 169/18.*

164/18 TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

No declarations were received.

165/18 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 14th AUGUST 2018

The minutes were approved (4 in favour, 1 abstention as not present at the previous meeting).

166/18 TO INVITE PUBLIC SPEAKING

A member of the public spoke in favour of planning application 18/P/4004/CQA.

167/18 TO APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

A schedule of all invoices and payments had been previously circulated to the members of the Finance Committee

Chq No. Payee Details Amount

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2888	MS Therapy Centre	Donation	£250.00
2890	Anthony Jay	Mileage £15.30; Homeworker allowance £18.00; Mobile phone (1/2 split) £6; Stamps £10.06; Paper £14.99	£64.35
2892	Ed Sage	Installation of new fence	£260.00
2893	Bin It	Dog bin emptying	£84.65
DD	In Touch	Website hosting	£55.79

The Clerk had provided a summary of receipts and payments for the present financial year.

It was unanimously resolved to approve the bills for payment.

168/18 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT

A reply has been received from NSC regarding the request for a new sign to be installed warning of the new speed limit in Failand. *'There are no such signs to advise of a change in speed limit. The only sign available is to advise of a new 30 mph speed limit but nothing higher than that'.*

The Clerk was asked to write to NSC again, asking for repeater signs in the new 50 mph area, as some drivers are forgetting the new speed limit is in place.

This month's payroll has been processed by PATA. An excellent service has been provided.

Planning training can be supplied by ALCA at the cost of £200. The training would be held in the parish, and all Councillors could be trained which represents excellent value. The Clerk was asked to make the arrangements with ALCA for the training.

169/18 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FOLLOWING ATTENDANCES AT MEETINGS

Two Councillors recently attended 'Good Councillor' training. They reported the following advice from ALCA regarding Councillor apologies at Parish Council meetings:

1. Councillors are summoned to attend a Council meeting which means that they must make every effort to attend, arranging their social calendar accordingly, and not simply attending if they choose to.
2. Being on holiday was an example of a reason which was not acceptable for non-attendance at a Council meeting. This reason should not be approved at a meeting.

Cllr Malpas asked that this be an agenda item to be discussed at the October meeting, when more Councillors are present.

Cllr Robinson has attended his first meeting as a trustee of the Wraxall Parochial Charities. The charity is for the benefit of the poor of the parish. Two new trustees need to be appointed by the Parish Council. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting. In total there are seven trustees. Three are Parish Council nominated; three are co-opted and one is ex-officio (the local Rector).

170/18 TO NOTE AND COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

18/P/4004/CQA. Land and Building at Oxhouse lane, Failand. Prior approval for change of use from agricultural building and land to one dwelling within use class C3, plus associated operational development comprising of the replacement of the asbestos roof; the (part) infilling of existing openings; installation of new windows and doors; removal of wall cladding and rendering of external walls.

It was unanimously resolved to support this application as it is a substantial barn which would be used as affordable accommodation for an agricultural worker. The Councillors only concern is in regard to the close proximity of the adjacent dutch barn.

District Cllr Cave joined the meeting.

18/P/3561/FUH. Dandy View, West Hill, Wraxall, BS48 1PL. Erection of roof extension.

It was unanimously resolved to support this application as it would be a more consistent structure, and there would be no significant increase in the floor area. There are no issues with the street scene, or with neighbours. The property is not visible from the road or the valley.

171/18 TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS MADE BY NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL

18/3291/FUL. Belmont Estate, Belmont Hill, Wraxall BS48 1NW. Removal of Condition 12 (renewable energy generation) from permission 16/P/1765/F (Change of use to D1 class (non-residential institution) of the Carriage House and Garden Pavilion. Refurbishment and minor extension of the carriage house comprising: erection of a single storey extension to rear, replacement of existing chimney stack, reinstatement of door openings and remedial works to rear retaining structure. Garden Pavilion refurbishment and extension comprising: removal of existing lean-to structure and replacement with full height glazing with external timber louvres, new roof covering, rebuilding and minor extension of rear of building. Station Lodge. Improvement of existing access to B3130 (Clevedon Road) comprising: Translocation of existing hedge to improve visibility splay, removal and replacement of a small section of hedge with estate fencing, new oak gate between existing stone gate piers. Belmont Lodge: replacement of existing galvanised steel gate with new timber gate. Clifton Lodge: repairs to

existing hardwood gate. Replacement of existing timber gates with new timber gates to the walled garden). **GRANTED.**

18/P/3395/FUH. Fenwynds, Tower House Lane, Wraxall BS48 1JT. Two storey side extension; demolition of existing conservatory; new front entrance door and canopy on the west side of the house to create a new main entrance; replacement of pantile roof covering with natural or artificial slate; and overcladding of the existing painted pebbledash rendered walls with fibre cement weatherboarding. **GRANTED.**

18/P/3640/LDP. 8 School View, Wraxall, BS48 1HG. Certificate of lawful development for the proposed rear single storey extension and internal alterations. **GRANTED.**

18/P/2564/FUH. 5 Bell Pit Brow Wraxall BS48 1HS. Conversion of part garage area to kitchen. **GRANTED.**

18/P/3528/TPO. 2 Owen Drive, Failand, BS8 3UE. Silver birch – 2.5m crown reduction. **REFUSED.**

The decisions were noted.

172/18 TO NOTE THAT PARISH COUNCILLORS HAVE EXAMINED THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND HAVE DECIDED THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL DOES NOT HAVE ANY ISSUES TO RAISE

18/P/3809/LBC. Sunday School Building to the rear of All Saints Church, Bristol Road, Wraxall. Listed Building Consent for the installation of secondary glazing to the interior of the 3 church hall windows (on the south elevation) of the Sunday School Building.

18/P/3831/FUL. 18 Jubilee Drive, (Formerly Land to the Rear of 69 Clevedon Road), Failand, BS8 3UL. Application to remove conditions 2, 3 and 4 attached to planning permission 07/P/2886/F (erection of a 2 bed dwelling with a separately accessed office/work room) as they relate to the provision of a work/live unit which is no longer relevant.

18/P/3902/FUL. The Carriage House, Wraxall Estate, Belmont Hill, Wraxall, BS48 1NW. External Plant Room and storage building replacing existing timber shacks against walled garden.

18/P/3903/LPC. Listed building consent regarding application 18/P/3902/FUL.

The decisions were noted.

173/18 TO APPROVE THE NALC RECOMMENDED AMENDMENTS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS

It was unanimously resolved to approve the standing orders.

174/18 TO DISCUSS THE PARISH COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE AIRPORT DRAFT NOISE PLAN CONSULTATION

Cllr Malpas has carried out extensive research into the consultation documents and presented his conclusions, which were:

The conclusions within the Draft Noise Plan, section 7, are based on noise contour maps. These maps are not produced by taking actual sound measurements but on a statistical model based on historic aircraft movements during 2016. It is purely a desktop exercise that takes no account of the physical topology of North Somerset.

The results of the noise mapping suggests that the noise levels produced by Bristol Airport have remained the same or in some cases declined over the past ten years, despite an increase in passenger numbers. This conclusion is in direct contrast to the experience of the

residents of Wraxall & Failand who have experienced an increase in aircraft noise, particularly in the early mornings and evenings.

We propose that any noise plan should be based on 'actual' measurement of aircraft movements in the landscape of North Somerset. These measurements and the resultant noise contour maps should be produced by an organisation independent of the airport.

It is only with actual measurements at a variety of locations throughout North Somerset, can the true impact of the noise generated by the airport and associated aircraft movements be evaluated and plans for mitigation proposed.

It was unanimously resolved to submit Cllr Malpas' conclusions to the airport on behalf of the Council.

175/18 TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE PARISH COUNCIL SHOULD APPLY TO JOIN THE PARISH COUNCIL'S AIRPORT ASSOCIATION (PCAA), AND IF SO TO APPOINT A COUNCILLOR TO ATTEND THE PCAA MEETINGS, AND A RESERVE.

The Parish Council used to be a member of the association, but the membership has lapsed.

It was unanimously resolved to apply to re-join the association with Cllr Malpas as the Parish Councils representative and Cllr Law his deputy.

176/18 TO CONSIDER CHANGING THE PARISH COUNCIL'S DOG BIN EMPTYING CONTRACTOR FROM BIN-IT TO KEVIN WEEKES

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries regarding the notice required to terminate the contract with Bin-It.

It was unanimously resolved to switch contractors from Bin-It to Kevin Weekes, subject to any notice required to terminate the present contract.

177/18 TO CONSIDER THE OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF THE OAK TREE AT THE JUNCTION OF WRAXALL HILL AND BRISTOL ROAD

North Somerset Council has now agreed to carry out the work required on the tree.

178/18 TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE PARISH COUNCIL SHOULD APPROACH THE WRAXALL PAROCHIAL CHARITIES WITH A REQUEST THAT THEY MATCH FUND THE PARISH COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE COST OF REPLACING THE SWINGS AT THE MILLENNIUM GREEN PLAYGROUND

The recent ROSPA inspection recommended that the swings at the millennium green should be replaced. The swings are old and in poor condition and when children use the toddler cradle swing seats then they are at risk of colliding with the framework. A temporary measure will be to remove one seat and centralise the other on the cross bar.

The swings do not comply with current regulations, but this does not mean that cannot be used as they were installed before the regulations were introduced. The cost of replacement swings would be in the region of £3,800 including delivery. The removal of the old swings would bring this figure to around £4,000.

The Wraxall Parochial Charities have kindly provided match funding to provide play equipment at the green in the past. The Clerk was asked to prepare a letter to the WPC asking if they would be prepared to match fund the cost of replacing the swings.

179/18 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS.

Cllr Malpas referred to traffic issues in Wraxall. Local residents have raised three issues regarding the stretch of the B3130 between the Battleaxes Public House and School House.:

1. The gutters are not being cleared by NSC, and are completely piled with leaves. The Clerk was asked to write to NSC asking for the leaves to be removed. The drains themselves are not actually blocked, but puddles are forming where the leaves are gathered which prevents the rainwater from going down the drains. Passing vehicles are spraying the walls next to the highway causing the mortar to wash out of the walls and the walls are decaying. There is no pavement here, so local residents cannot safely clear the leaves away themselves.
2. The road itself is actually becoming narrower. On the uphill side of the road dirt and debris runs off the hill and collects on the side of the road. Vegetation then grows. This process is repeated and the road narrows further. In places this narrowing of the road is between eighteen inches to two feet. A BT post had to be replaced and moved as the old post had rotted away in this 'new soil'. The road was resurfaced about three years ago, but the vegetation at the side of the road was not cleared away. Only the available road was resurfaced, and a new white line was painted at the side of the road. The Clerk was asked to arrange a site meeting between a NSC highways officer and Councillors.
3. Other villages in North Somerset have clear traffic warning signs stating 'single carriageway ahead' or a white line painted in the centre of the road where the road narrows considerably. There was a recent experience of two articulated vehicles getting stuck in the narrow section of this road. Motorists need to be warned that they are travelling from a quite wide stretch of road to a much narrower section where there may be large vehicles approaching them in the centre of the road. There is nothing in the Joint Spatial Plan suggesting improvements to the traffic problems in Wraxall. Solutions to these problems can be explored during a site meeting with NSC.

The VAS will be positioned in Wraxall shortly.

A meeting of the newly formed group to consider the Joint Transport Strategy will be held on 17th September 2018.

Planning application 18/P/3709/FUH was referred to. The Parish Council was first notified of this application by NSC on 10th September which was too late to include the application on the agenda for the meeting on 11th September. Comments on the application must be submitted before 27th September. An extension of this date was applied for by the Clerk, but was refused. The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for 9th October. The Councillors considered holding an extra Council meeting to discuss this application, but decided not to hold a meeting and therefore would not comment upon the application.

180/18 TO AGREE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

See minute 169/18 (two items)

181/18 TO AGREE ACTIONS TO BE CARRIED OUT PRIOR TO THE NEXT MEETING

168/18 - The Clerk (two actions)
 174/18 - The Clerk
 175/18 - The Clerk
 176/18 - The Clerk
 178/18 - The Clerk
 179/18 - The Clerk

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 9th October 2018 in the Cross Tree Centre