

MINUTES OF THE **WRAXALL & FAILAND PARISH COUNCIL** MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM ON 8 APRIL 2014 IN CROSS TREE CENTRE, WRAXALL.

PRESENT Cllrs. Robinson (Chairman), Ambrose (Vice Chairman), Sheppard, Sage, King, Mrs Moon, Malpas, Thompson & Delmas.

IN ATTENDANCE D/Cllr. Bob Cook.

APOLOGIES Cllrs. Pratt, Law & D/Cllr. Charles Cave.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Nil.

Mr Brian Jones then addressed the Council.

263 MINUTES – The minutes of the meeting held 11 March 2014 were agreed and signed. Also the minutes 18 & 19 March ‘Ward Boundary’ meetings were agreed and signed.

264 CRIME FIGURES – No attendee from the Police.

265 QUERIES FOR THE LIAISON OFFICER Nil.

266 ISSUES

a **WARD BOUNDARY CHANGES** – Numerous forms were issued but only a few copied me in. Congratulations were given to Cllr. Robinson by D/Cllr. Cook with regard to his response to the issue. An e-mail from D/Cllr. Cave echoed the sentiments. Dr. Liam Fox M.P. had sent Cllr. Robinson’s response to all surrounding Councils..

b **ALLOTMENTS** – The 2 ½ pages of Pre Planning Advice which we had been sent by NSC seems to be contradicted recently by David Turner. We understand that before Christmas all 75 allotments in Fairfield Close, Backwell were taken but we understand that there are now vacant spaces. We were told that there was a demand for allotments in the parish but that seems not now to be warranted and so it was felt that, as we had not found any suitable land, we should do nothing more at the moment. Dr. Fox to be told.

c **NAILSEA COMMUNITY TRUST/HOPE 2014/CHURCH & SCHOOL** – It would seem that a Litter Pick, in the green open space at the Elms and along the footpath, would be the best option for children and parents to ‘help the community’. A response is awaited from NSC.

d **LOCAL BUS SERVICES** – A bus service has been changed so that children can get to school on time. We understand that services were taken off because there were not many passengers using them
D/Cllr. Cook offered to present the Issue to NSC.

e **QUIET LANES** - Cllr. Sheppard had sent a request to Frank Cox of NSC The original idea had come from PC Justin Robbie. It had been thought that residents could put up their own signs re Quiet Lanes but Dr Amos queried the legality of this. It was felt that we should speak to Highways regarding this matter. Cllr. Sage felt that signs stating how many

accidents had occurred at a particular site would be more likely to get people to reduce speed rather than just a 'Quiet Lane' sign. There are many horses in Lower Failand but drivers do not always slow down when approaching them. Police did not support speed restriction down the lanes which are so narrow that drivers should take conditions into account. Cllr. Ambrose said we should write to the Chief Constable . D/Cllr Cook offered to set up a meet with NSC if Cllr. Sheppard feels it is warranted.

f GOWAN CROFT – Re. LUP. This is a complicated issue concerning what has gone on so far. D/Cllr. Cook said that Ian Watt (owner of Gowan Croft) had been to see him for 2 ½ hours. Planning Officer has to make a decision on whether it is legal. Cllr. King thanked D/Cllr. Cook for all he had done. D/Cllr. Cook explained that the first P/A was refused, the next was smaller and passed with conditions. The applicant has not started that so he says those rules don't apply. Cllr. King mentioned the Landscape Plan (part of the Planning Permission) . This has not been done and things have been taken down. Cllr. Robinson thanked D/Cllr Cook & Cllr. King.

267 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

REMINDER – PAPERLESS P/A'S FROM 1/4/2014.

a *APPLICATION 14/P/0489/LB & 14/P/0493/F – To create a new pre-prep. entrance and a new 4 classroom block with ancillary accommodation at Downs School. Charlton Drive, Wraxall.*

RECOMMENDATION – No objections.

b NOT YET READY

APPLICATION 14/P/0656/F – Erection of an agricultural building for machinery for Mr M Hill at Charlton Park Farm, Charlton Drive, Wraxall (Cllrs Sheppard, King & Sage).

EXTRA – Hillside Nurseries – amended plans. Cllrs. Robinson & Ambrose are content with the new drawings which Cllr. Mrs Moon found more acceptable. Cllr. Sage proposed Acceptance, seconded by Cllr. Mrs Moon, Voting 6-3 for acceptance.

SECOND EXTRA – 'Call for Sites 2014' poster to be displayed on the Notice Boards. This was discussed and voting was 6-3 for displaying this poster

c *Clerk will report on decisions made by NSC on applications previously considered by this Council.*

268 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION

a Reminder that the TRO on B3130 from Roundabout where Lodge Lane and High Street converge to Wraxall Hill begins on 9th April. Night working between 20:00 to 06:00, for three weeks. This is for resurfacing, and extension of the island outside Budgen's, to stop drivers turning right out of there.

269 PROW

a WALK TO SCHOOL – Cllr. Ambrose said there were too many things to discuss and we needed Cllr Pratt to give us details.

It is understood that the School does not wish parents and children to walk through the 'pinch point'. Cllr. Ambrose said there was an option to walk across the bottom of the field and straight up to school but the original route must go forward and then changed to miss the 'pinch point'. The title of the footpath is to be changed to 'Village Walk'. Cllr. Sheppard said that 'Whilst the school are against the route as it is, they may not be against the amendment. Cllr. Malpas asked if we could ask the school if they approve. Cllr, Robinson will liaise.

b ROTARY 'WHEEL 'N' WALK' – Launch 2pm Brockway 26 April 2014.- Clerk attending and possibly Cllr. Delmas.

270 MEETINGS

a COMMUNITY RESILIENCE WORKSHOP – 18 March – Report – The emergency kit is in Cllr. Law's barn. Cllr. Delmas has a key to the barn in Cllr. Law's absence.

b LOCAL ACCESS FORUM – 8 April 6pm Tythe Barn, Nailsea.

c SW Local Councils Association Annual Conference - 30th April 10am – 4pm Tiverton includes Neighbourhood Planning.

d NS ALCA Liaison meeting - Monday 12 May 7pm – 9pm – New Council Chamber, Town Hall, WSM. Cllr. King would like to attend with Cllr. Robinson.

e NSC Parish workshop – Wednesday 14 May 2014 9.30 until noon. New Council Chamber, Town Hall, Weston super Mare

EXTRA ITEM

f ALCA NS AGM 12 June 7.30 Locking Village Hall.

271 CORRESPONDENCE

a REQUEST RECEIVED FOR TABLES & BENCHES ON MILLENNIUM GREEN 5 support – 1 Against. Research re prices for Concrete or Metal.

b CPRE – Subscription increase and request for support of their Charter.

c TED WOOLLEY who used to be a Cllr. and Chairman, who latterly looked after the Notice Board at the bottom of Wraxall Hill and only recently moved to Silver Trees Residential Home, has died. Funeral and thanksgiving service April 9th at 1:30pm.

272 FINANCE

- a ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – Proposed Cllr. Delmas, Seconded Cllr. Thompson. All in favour.

Chq No	Payee	Details	Amount
2372	Intouch crm	Web – Monthly fee	35.99
2373	Failand Village Hall	Hire for 'Boundary' meeting 18.3.2014	45.00
2374	Cllr Sage	Travelling expenses	58.70
2375	Arien Designs Ltd	50% deposit on 2 Notice Boards	1071.60
2376	NSC	Dog Bin emptying	19.20
2377	Mrs F Shattock	Reimburse. Stamps 25.00, Computer Work 55.00, Envelopes 5.39, Postage on Pat's retirement present 6.75, Pat's card 3.25 Talktalk 38.24	133.63
2378	Zurich Municipal	Annual Insurance.	410.54
2379	Mrs F Shattock	Net Salary	
2380	HMRC	Tax & NIC – Jan. to March 2014	583.02

EXTRA ITEM

Standing order No. 15. Discussion of whether to increase to £150 the limit of spending by the Clerk without obtaining tenders. Proposed Cllr. Robinson, seconded Cllr. Ambrose – All in favour.

273 CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

a ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Date set as 6 May 2014. 7.30pm Cross Tree Centre, Wraxall. Organisations receiving large grants are to be asked to collect the cheque at the APM and give a brief explanation on what the previous year's grant had been used for and what this year's grant would allow them to do. D/Cllr Cook gave apologies for D/Cllr. Cave and himself as the NSC AGM is the same day and time.

EXTRA ITEM RAISED BY CLLR MALPAS, - Regarding the Internet Connection. Openreach have been asked for a price for a good link.

274 BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING – Nil

Meeting closed 9.59pm.