



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7:30pm ON MONDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2017 AT BANWELL VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:	Councillors Jim Weston (Chairman), Jo Arnold, Paul Bateman Paul Blatchford, Steve Davies, Angela Haden, Paul Harding, Phil Hale and Maggie McCarthy.
IN ATTENDANCE:	Mrs Liz Shayler (Clerk).
WARD COUNCILLOR:	Cllr Ann Harley
AVON & SOMERSET POLICE:	None present
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:	2

The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

216/17 To receive apologies for absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Councillors Dawn Parry, Mike Poole and District Cllr Jerry O'Brien.

217/16 To consider the co-option of Phillip Adams (agenda item 2)

Resolved – to co-opt Phillip Adams to the Parish Council

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (Unanimous)

Cllr Adams read the declaration of office, signed the declaration, and joined the Council.

218/17 To receive members' declarations of interest on any agenda item. (agenda item 3)

None received

219/17 To invite public participation (agenda item 4)

i) Members of the public.

Nothing was brought to the council's attention.

ii) Community Beat Manager's report.

The following report was received for the period 14/08/17 to 11/09/2017

Calls from the Parish 30, Crimes recorded 4

Recorded crimes: 1 assault, 2 burglaries non-dwelling, 1 theft.

- Reports of drug dealing to local children will mean that extra patrols are planned for the play area. Anyone with information is encouraged to report on 101 or crime stoppers on 0800 555111.
- If anybody sees anything suspicious or behaving in an antisocial manner then could they contact the police on either 101 or 999.

iii) Ward Councillor's report.

- Cllr Harley asked whether the West of England allocations meeting had gone ahead. The chairman answered in the affirmative.
- She raised concerns of increased planning applications and number of houses in and around the parish.
- Clerk to email Cllr Harley concerning the play area repairs.

220/17 To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th August 2017 (agenda item 5)

Resolved – That the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (7 in favour with 3 abstentions due to absences).

The minutes of the meeting were signed by the Chairman as a correct record

221/17 To note the completion of the external audit 2016/2017 (agenda item 6)

The external audit and its contents were noted

222/17 To receive the Clerk's report/Exchange of information: (agenda item 7)

- (i) **Footpaths:** Westfield to Queens Road and High Street to Littlefields. Cllr Harding informed council that with the information he had found out North Somerset accepted responsibility for one of the paths and were investigating the ownership of the other.
- (ii) **New Website:** The clerk informed the council that draft website would be sent later this week. After going through dispute resolution with NOMINET then the easiest solution and cheapest solution was an alternate domain name; banwellparishcouncil.org.uk.
- (iii) **Budget projects:** The Chairman asked the councillors if they could submit any project proposals for the 2018/2019 budget to the Clerk in the next two months.
- (iv) **Lights around the village:** No faults reported
- (v) **New internal auditors visit:** The Clerk reported a successful initial visit from the new internal auditor. The first official visit will be on the 17th & 18th October.
- (vi) **Village Hall Committee:** The Management Committee are looking for a treasurer and secretary. If anybody is interested they were asked to contact the Clerk.
- (vii) **Church Street:** Cllr Hale requested feedback from the meeting with David Bailey concerning High Street. The meeting was told that North Somerset were very supportive of the length restriction and were going to progress this further.

223/17 To approve the following items of expenditure (agenda item 8);

- (i) **£180 for cropping the tree on the recreation ground.**

Resolved: to pay £180 for cropping the tree on the recreation ground.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

- (ii) **Donation for the purchase of Remembrance Day Wreaths using Section 137.**

Resolved: to pay a £60 donation from reserves for a Remembrance Day Wreath using Section 137

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

224/17 To consider a grant request for £350 for Vision, North Somerset (agenda item 9)

Resolved: to pay a £350 donation from reserves to Vision, North Somerset using Section 137 reminding them this is an exception as grants are awarded in April.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (6 in favour 4 against).

225/17 To agree the cost of replacing parts of the wooden fence either side & including the stile, located at Riverside Green play area for £525 excluding VAT (agenda item 10).

Resolved: to agree the cost of replacing parts of the wooden fence either side & including the stile, located at Riverside Green play area for £525 excluding VAT.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

226/17 To discuss and agree the purchase of a laptop for the new councillor (agenda item 11).

Resolved: to purchase a laptop for the new councillor

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

227/17 To agree a working party to look at the Heads of Terms for the renewal of the scout hut lease (agenda item 12).

Resolved: that Cllr Harding and Cllr Hale meet with Mr Peat to look at the Heads of Terms to go to the solicitor.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

228/17 To note the training available and agree any attendance (agenda item 13)

(i) 22nd September CiLCA support, Longwell Green.10:30 until 12:30.

The Clerk informed the council that this replaced the session on July 21st.

(ii) Being a Good Councillor 23rd September 2017. 9:45 am until 12:45. Longwell Green Community Centre £60.

Resolved: That Cllr Adams and Cllr McCarthy attend this session.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous 1 abstention).

(iii) A plain guide on planning for local councillors 30th September 2017 10:30am until 13:00. Emerson's Green Village Hall £50.

No one else to attend this course

(iv) Finance on 20th October 2017 10:30am £50

No one else to attend this course

(v) 22nd November 2017 SLCC regional training seminar all day £69.

Resolved: That the Clerk attends this session

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

(vi) 18th & 19th October 2017 SLCC National Conference

This item is to go on next month's agenda

229/17 To discuss and agree a response to Banwell's settlement profile (agenda item 14)

Resolved: That Cllr Hales amendments would be sent to North Somerset.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

230/17 To discuss and agree a response to the A2 route change options (agenda item 15).

Resolved: That option 4 was recommended to North Somerset as it was the only route which passed through Banwell and now goes into the centre of Bristol.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

231/17 To discuss and agree a response to the proposed revision of the ALCA constitution (agenda item 16).

Resolved: That the changes as suggested by Cllr Hale were put forward.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

232/17 To discuss and agree a response to the Rotary Tree Planting Project (agenda item 17)

Resolved: That the clerk write to the Rotary Club and thank them for the opportunity but decline it at this time.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

233/17 To discuss the consultation of Making Definitive Map Modification Order - MOD 51 Nye Drove (agenda item 18).

The consultation of Making Definitive Map Modification Order - MOD 51 Nye Drove was noted.

234/17 To authorise bills for payment (agenda item 19)

Resolved: To authorise bills for payment. Cllrs Harding and Haden will sign the cheques.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (Unanimous)

235/17 To note the Parish Council's beginning of September's net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation (agenda item 20)

The net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation were noted.

236/17 To note and comment upon planning applications (agenda item 28).

- (i) **17/P/1817/F** – CEMETERY, Ilex Lane, Winscombe. Erection of a new cemetery store and pergola and creation of additional parking area following demolition of existing cemetery waiting area/ storage building.

The application was noted

- (ii) **17/P/1955/F** - 13 Wolvershill Park, Banwell, BS29 6DQ. Erection of a single storey side extension.

Resolved – To recommend approval

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

- (iii) **17/P/1974/PDA** - Banwell Wood, Towerhead Road, Banwell. Prior Notification for upgraded track to facilitate the extraction of timber produced during a thinning operation carried out under a forestry commission felling license, the track will be surfaced with stone to prevent rutting and damage to the ground

Resolved – Whilst Banwell Parish council support this in principle; concern was raised about the level of detail included with the application. This support is subject to the following concerns being answered;

- Widen the entrance of the site to improve visibility
- The inclusion of a wheel wash at exit before vehicles goes onto the roads
- An agreement that large vehicles will not go through Banwell
- That an idea of the scale of operation is shared

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

- (iv) **17/P/2010/F** - Building at Elmcroft Farm, Cooks Lane, Banwell, BS29 6DS. Conversion of agricultural outbuilding to provide a self-contained unit of holiday cottage accommodation.

Resolved – To recommend approval and conditioned accordingly.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

- (v) **17/P/2014/O** - Lower Rhodyate Farm, The Rhodyate, Banwell, BS29 6NR. Outline planning application for the erection of 1 No. agricultural workers dwelling with all matters reserved for subsequent approval.

Resolved – To recommend refusal as it was felt that a permanent building was not appropriate in this area.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (5 in favour, 5 against)

Resolved – To recommend approval.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (5 in favour 4 against 1 abstention)

- (vi) **17/P/2072/WT** – Banwell Methodist Church, West Street, Banwell, BS29 6DA. Laurel - reduce in height to 8ft (2.5m).

The application was noted

237/17 To note planning decisions – (agenda item 29).

- (i) **17/P/1761/WT** Abbey Lodge, East Street, Banwell, BS29 6BW T1 cherry – fell. **NO OBJECTION**
- (ii) **17/P/1762/WT** 31 West Street, Banwell, BS29 6DB Robinia- crown reduce by 2m. **NO OBJECTION**
- (iii) **17/P/1378/F** - Laurel Farm, Summer Lane, Banwell, BS29 6LP. Proposed extension to external store into home office. Proposed double garage. **GRANTED**

238/17 Dates of the next meetings – (agenda item 30)

21st September 2017 – Youth Club meeting 7:00pm Banwell Children's Centre
26th September 2017 – Cemetery and Memorials meeting 7:00pm Banwell Cemetery
13th October 2017 – Parish Council meeting 7:30pm Banwell Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:00

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