

TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING HELD IN THE CONYGRE HALL ON MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2009 at 7.30 pm

Present : In the Chair : Cllr. Mrs. V. Packham.
Cllrs. Mrs. M. Hayward, Mrs. M. Deacon, Mrs. D. Sewell, Mrs. C. Watts,
D. Deacon, K. Galpin, J. Hall and R. Young.

2834. **WELCOME**
Chairman welcomed all attending.

2835 **APOLOGIES**
Apologies for absence were submitted and accepted on behalf of Cllrs. Mrs. J. Collett, Mrs. A. Gibbons, E. Potter and W. Sparey.

2836. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
There were no declarations of interest.

2837. **MINUTES**
The Minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated, Council agreed that Chairman should sign these as being correct providing Minute 2826 d) should read "B&NES have voted against the expansion and alteration of Bristol International Airport, in a consultation exercise".

2838. **MATTERS ARISING**
a) Council were advised that Lloyd Davies had been nominated for the ECB National Youth Coach of the Year by Somerset C.C.

2839. **REPORTS**
Chairman reported that at the Parishes Liaison Meeting held at Keynsham on 14th October 2009, the B&NES Core Strategy; Anti-social behaviour; The Parish Charter; Planning issues; A & B roads speed limits and the Housing Strategy 2010-2015, were presented by B&NES Officers with briefing notes. Chairman also outlined details of the Parish Cluster Meeting held in Midsomer Norton on 8th October 2009, which included B&NES works on highways; pot hole repairs and 106 Agreements. The meeting was informed that Steve Simmons had taken over from Roger Hobbs as our new Highways Inspector.

2840. **CLERK'S REPORT**
a) B&NES Parking Services report that following discussions with emergency and refuse collection services, they recommend that a white 10 metre (two vehicle lengths), 'Keep clear' marking is provided in South Road opposite Radford Hill junction on a trial basis for three months. A white 'Keep clear' marking across the vehicular access of The Old Post Office in the High Street is also recommended.
b) B&NES Planning Enforcement Services has been advised of the erection of a garage with access, on the site of The Bungalow, Radford Hill.

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- c) The Finance Committee will meet in the Tynning Room of the Conygre Hall on Monday 4th January 2010 at 7.30 pm and the Parish Council will meet on Monday 11th January 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Grove Room.

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TOWN PLANNING

a) CORRESPONDENCE

1. B&NES Enforcement Services are investigating the possible unauthorised change of use of Radford Mill Farm for wedding receptions and private parties.
2. Council were advised of a reply concerning Elder Cottage, Rectory Lane, development from Neil Harvey, B&NES Planning Officer. The basis of advice from Officers, was that the application was acceptable on Housing Policy grounds, and that it would not result in detriment to highway safety or the character of the Timsbury Conservation Area, and would not unreasonably affect the amenities of any neighbouring occupiers.
The Council were extremely concerned that their objections to this development had been over-ruled by the Chairman of the Planning Committee, who felt it was appropriate for the application to remain as a delegated item to be determined by Officers.
Council requested that a letter of protest should be sent to B&NES Planning Services.
3. B&NES Rights of Way advised the Council that three diversion orders are proposed for footpaths connecting Mill Lane with Greenvale Drive.

b) B&NES DECISIONS

1. **No.09/02763/FUL**
McIntosh Homes
Elder Cottage
Rectory Lane. - Erection of extension to existing dwelling Elder Cottage and erection of two semi-detached two-bedroom dwellings with associated parking.
- Approved.
2. **No. 09/02718/FUL**
St. Mary's Surgery
St. Mary's Close. - Erection of an extension.
- Approved.
3. **No.09/02524/FUL**
St. Mary's Primary School - Construction of new Sports Pavilion
Lansdown View. and associated access track.
- Approved.
4. **No. 09/02807/FUL**
Miss J. Reeves
1 Meadgate West. - Provision of new vehicular access and driveway.
- Approved.

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c) **APPLICATIONS TO COUNCIL**

1. **No.09/03824/FUL**

Mr. J. Smart - Erection of a single storey rear extension.
50 St. John's Road.

Council had no objections to this extension as it accords with Policy T.24. *(8 for and 1 abstention).*

2. **No.09/03541/LBA & No.09/03540/FUL**

Mr. & Mrs. M. Jackson - Erection of single family dwelling in walled garden replacing existing residential use of the Lodge House.
Rosewood Manor
Loves Hill.

Council had no objections to the erection of this dwelling as it is eco friendly, energy efficient and accords with Policy B6. *(8 for and 1 abstention).*

3. **No.09/03967/TCA**

Mr. D. Langdon - Prune and crown lift Sycamore.
'Ybwthyn'
Church Hill.

Council had no objections. *(8 for and 1 abstention).*

2842. **CORE STRATEGY SPATIAL OPTIONS**

Council were advised that seven summary leaflets were to be immediately circulated internally in the Express Mail envelope, to ensure all Councillors had the necessary information on the Core Strategy Spatial Options, an important document which will replace The Local Plan, scheduled for late 2010.

It will include policies of affordable housing; renewable energy; landscape; heritage and sustainable villages, which includes Timsbury. Two places are reserved for the Council at a meeting in Keynsham Town Hall on 4th November 2009 at 6.30 pm as part of the consultation on the Core Strategy. This matter to be placed on the next agenda.

2843. **THE PARISH CHARTER**

B&NES are seeking information from local councils on the performance of The Parish Charter against the commitments set out in the Charter Document. Areas identified of poor communication from B&NES were Planning information and less than 21 days given for consultation.

2844. **CORRESPONDENCE**

a) Council agreed to place a request from The Forest of Avon Trust for a grant, before the Finance Committee.

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- b) Timsbury Churches Together invite the District Cllr. and the Parish Council to the Village Christmas Celebration, to be held at the Conygre Hall at 7.00 pm on Thursday 17th December 2009. Cllr. J. Hall agreed to read one of the passages, and the Council agreed to cover the rental charge of the Hall.
- c) The C.P.R.E. invite the Council to attend the Branch AGM to be held at The Sawmill, Tyntesfield, at 10.30 am on Saturday 14th November 2009.

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PARISH ACCOUNTS

- a) The following bills were presented as paid:

			£
3210	EDF Energy	Public lighting	137.00
3215	Southern Electric Ltd.	Public lighting maintenance	223.69
3217	Printsetters	Printing November N/L	510.40
3219	1st Office Equipment Ltd.	Photocopying	37.98
3220	O.T.J. Weaver	Cutting the Ha-Ha	340.00
3213	Administration		402.14
3214	"		14.00
3216	"		132.00
3218	"		138.25

Council approved Clerk's actions.

- b) **V.A.T. CLAIMS**

			£
3215	Southern Electric Ltd.	Public lighting maintenance	29.18
3219	1st Office Equipment Ltd.	Photocopying	4.95

Council approved V.A.T. claims.

- c) The following bills were submitted for approval:

			£
1.	Reimbursement to The Conygre Trust for field maintenance in September.		175.00
2.	Parsons Landscapes Ltd. for the supply and installation of Play Area equipment.		11,494.48
3.	Petty Cash requirement.		100.00

Council approved payments, and transfer of £11,494.48 from the Capital Deposit Account.

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ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

- a) Dist. Cllr. D. Deacon reported that the parking area in Greenvale Drive had been resurfaced, also a footpath behind the garages, and a new lamp installed. B&NES have been requested to resurface the footpath from Southlands Drive to St. Mary's Close.
As B&NES are currently reviewing their Home Care Services, a request was made for this information to be placed in the December issue of the Timsbury Letter, together with an invitation from Dist. Cllr. D. Deacon for residents and their relatives to contact him by telephone for their comments.
- b) The bungalows in St. Mary's Close remain unoccupied.
- c) The footpath in Bloomfield Park Road from Lippiatt Lane to The Glebe remains in poor condition.
- d) A leaflet issued by B&NES Transport Services indicate that as from 29th November 2009, Bus Service 179 will only travel from Midsomer Norton to Farmborough and return, during the mornings from 9.00 am.

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MATTERS OF INTEREST AND INFORMATION

- a) Sunday 8th November is Remembrance Day, and a Service will be held at the Royal British Legion War Memorial at 10.55 am in Newmans Lane, followed by a United Service in the Congregational Church. Cllr. Mrs. D.Sewell agreed to lay a wreath on behalf of Timsbury residents and the Parish Council.
- b) The school crossing in North Road at The Tabor Church is now manned.

There being no further business, Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25 pm.

(Chairman)

(Date)

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on
Monday 30th November 2009.**

*The above Minutes were approved by Timsbury Parish Councillors
at their meeting on 30th November 2009.*