

TIMSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING HELD IN THE CONYGRE HALL ON MONDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 2008 at 7.30 pm

- Present : In the Chair : Cllr. Mrs. V. Packham.
Cllrs. Mrs. M. Hayward, Mrs. J. Collett, Mrs. M. Deacon, Mrs. A. Gibbons,
Mrs. D. Sewell, Mrs. C. Watts, D. Deacon, K. Galpin, J. Hall, E. Potter,
W. Sparey and R. Young.
2681. **WELCOME**
Chairman welcomed all attending.
2682. **APOLOGIES**
There were no apologies for absence.
2683. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Cllrs. Mrs. M. Hayward and W. Sparey declared an interest in Item 11 on the agenda, 'The Conygre Trust'.
2684. **MINUTES**
The Minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated, Council agreed that Chairman should sign these as being correct, providing Minute 2671 should read 'abide by' not 'look at', and Minute 2674 (d) should read 'planning permission for impervious paving'.
2685. **MATTERS ARISING**
- a) The 17 home owners in the Greenvale Drive extension may have to accept responsibility for the adjacent Children's Play Area.
2686. **CLERK'S REPORT**
- a) English Heritage do not propose to undertake assessment work for the application of listing the K6 telephone kiosk at Radford Hill as it is not near any listed buildings.
Council agreed to pursue the BT 'Adopt a Kiosk' scheme which will involve future cleaning and maintenance, and requested confirmation from B&NES that the kiosk is on part of the public highway and not privately owned land.
- b) Council agreed that the broken window in the bus shelter at the Hook should be replaced with a polycarbonate panel.
- c) Cllr. W. Sparey stated that he continues to attend the Youth Club Management meetings, and is currently involved with Bath Y.M.C.A.
2687. **CORRESPONDENCE**
- a) B&NES report that funding is available, from the Play Pathfinder Award to improve Children's opportunities to play in public space. This information has been passed to The Conygre Trust.

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- b) Community Action has confirmed that the Council are eligible for funding under The Comma Community Aggregates Fund 2008-2009, for a project which contributes to saving energy, reducing travel, saving resources, shopping locally or caring for the environment. Council agreed that this item be placed on the agenda for January 2009, for suggestions of projects. Officers of Community Action will be available for further information at an open display at the Conygre Hall on Tuesday 25th November from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.
- c) Council agreed that it would be beneficial to register all their land holdings with Land Registry at Plymouth for title guarantee, and proof of ownership.
- d) It was proposed that a request for a grant of £300 from Midsomer Norton & Radstock Ring & Ride be placed before the Finance Committee at their forthcoming meeting in December.
- e) The revised date for the ALCA AGM is Saturday 29th November 2008 at Long Ashton commencing at 10 am. Council voted unanimously for a minimum of 20 to form a quorum, and Cllr. E. Potter will be the only representative of Timsbury Parish Council to attend.
- f) A Market Town Seminar is to be held on 25th November 2008 at Yate.
- g) Two documents concerning the Code of Conduct regarding Members' Official and Unofficial Duties, Prejudicial Interests, and the same rights as the public to speak at meetings, were immediately sent into circulation for express distribution.
- h) The Ethical Property Foundation is presenting an evening's training concerning Section 106 Planning obligations at the Guildhall, Bath on Monday 24th November from 6 pm to 8 pm at £10 per person.

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REPORTS

- a) The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held in the Conygre Hall on Wednesday 8th October 2008, were approved and accepted by the Council.
- b) Clerk reported that, despite placing items concerning the Road Sweeping Scheme on the Cluster Meeting Agenda at Midsomer Norton on 9th October 2008, B&NES Environmental Services Officers did not attend. Apologies have been received from Mr. Matthew Smith, the Divisional Director, who has suggested that Mr. Trevor Cummings could attend a future Council Meeting. Council agreed to invite Mr. Cummings to the meeting on Monday 5th January 2009.

2688. (cont'd) c) Chairman reported on the Parishes Liaison Meeting held in Keynsham on Wednesday 22nd October 2008, which detailed mainly issues concerning planning applications, 106 agreements and traffic and safety schemes. Briefing papers issued following this meeting indicated that footways are to be provided and improved in the High Street, Timsbury and placed on the task register from October 2008.

2689. **TOWN PLANNING**

a) **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. B&NES report that the Draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document has been published for public consultation from 30th October to 10th December 2008.
2. A Supplementary Planning Document has been adopted concerning existing dwellings in the Green Belt.
3. Two documents concerning the Revised Planning Enforcement Procedure, and new pre-application protocol to be circulated internally.

b) **PLANNING DECISIONS**

1. **No. 08/03651/TPO**

Mr. Andrew Baker
Parish's House
The Hook.

- Various tree works.
A managed woodland tree planting scheme is to be provided.

- Approved.

2690. **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

Chairman outlined details of the Model Publication Scheme which has to be adopted and effective on 1st January 2009.

Council voted unanimously to adopt the Model Scheme, and agreed that minutes, agendas and Standing Orders should be placed on the Village Website, and any photocopies requested be charged at 10p per copy. Bulk information requested from the Clerk to be charged at £25 per hour.

2691. **THE CONYGRE TRUST**

Having circulated the list of invoices paid by the Conygre Trust for the maintenance of the Recreation Field during 2007/2008, the Council agreed to reimburse those relating to field work, grass cutting and hedge cutting.

The total amount for 2007/2008 was £3,033.51, less the funding from Sports Clubs fees of £1,500, totalled £1,533.51.

The Council had already paid for works to trees and fencing totalling £3,657.00, making an amount of £5,190.51. This exceeded the estimates for expenditure on the Recreation Field by £890.51, which the Council agreed to reimburse The Conygre Trust for 2007/2008.

(Voting was 11 for with two abstentions).

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BRISTOL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Chairman welcomed Prof. David Packham who gave a report detailing the work of the Parish Councils Airport Association concerning the Bristol Airport Master Plan for Expansion 2006-2030.

Initially, Timsbury were concerned of the growing number of night flights over the village, and now these concerns include emissions, road congestion, and car parking issues connected with the B.I.A. Expansion Plans.

Questions included flight paths, and size of aircraft. Briefing notes were circulated, including a Draft Comment to North Somerset Council specifically on the Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed erection of a two storey building to provide a covered walkway.

Council agreed that this should be sent with copies to B&NES, Bristol Airport, Dan Norris, M.P., and the P.C.A.A.

Chairman thanked Prof. Packham for his work with the P.C.A.A., and for his report.

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PARISH ACCOUNTS

a) The following bills were presented as paid:

			£
3079	B. Sewell	Cutting allotment hedges	200.00
3080	Southern Electric	Public lighting maintenance	151.75
3081	L. Robbins	Road sweeping	394.11
3082	L. Robbins	Cleaning bus shelters	14.00
3084	Consortium	Office supplies	40.42
3085	Printsetters Ltd.	Printing November Newsletter	551.69
3083	Administration		132.00

Council approved Clerk's actions.

b) **VAT CLAIMS**

			£
3080	Southern Electric	Public lighting maintenance	22.60
3084	Consortium	Office supplies	6.02

Council approved VAT claims.

2694.

ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

a) Council were advised by District Cllr. D. Deacon that contact had been made with Mr. Mark Cassidy of B&NES Parks Services concerning the lack of communication in the removal of three ash trees from the verge of the public footpath in Church Lane.

B&NES report that new trees and shrubs will be planted in their place.

Council were concerned regarding the lack of communication, and requested that a letter be sent to Mr. John Everitt, B&NES Chief Executive, with copies to Cllrs. Charles Gerrish and Les Kew.

b) The negotiations continue concerning the new street lighting in Lippiatt Lane.

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MATTERS OF INTEREST AND INFORMATION

- a) Properties continue to suffer subsidence in St. Mary's Close.
- b) Planning Certificate requested for the Greenvale Drive Children's Play Area.
- c) New window installed in Church Hill Cottage.
- d) Cllr. J. Hall will lay the wreath at the Royal British Legion Sunday Remembrance Service at Newmans Lane.
- e) Colin Robinson and Ann Patterson will attend the Village of the Year Awards at Pucklechurch on Saturday 8th November at 11.30 am.
- f) Mr. Roger Champion has donated two large sacks of daffodil bulbs to be planted in the village.

There being no further business, Chairman closed the meeting at 9.42 pm.

Chairman

Date

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on **Monday, 24th November, 2008.**

**These Minutes were approved by the Parish Council
at their meeting on Monday 24th November 2008.**