

## WESTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held at the Oval Office,  
St Peters Business Park, Westfield on  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016 commencing at 7.00pm

**Present:** Chair: Cllr G Fuller

Cllrs: D Cooper, K Docherty, R Hopkins, E Jackson,  
B Wallbridge, P Williams and A Butcher

**Absent:** Cllr P Wilkinson

**Attending:** Lesley Welch, Parish Clerk, Tracey Stephens, Admin Assistant.  
1 member of the public

A member of the public attended to complain about the disruption caused by Hayden Village Day. In his view the noise levels were unacceptable. He was advised that Council had contacted Environmental Health and their response would be forwarded to him.

He also asked Council to contact BaNES in regard to the state of the road around Waterside Road. He was assured that the office would make contact as required.

### **62. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Wilkinson, who was unwell. Cllr Butcher apologised for lateness due to work commitments and arrived at 7.30pm.

### **63. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

**Item 3 – Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting, Minute 52 Big Local.**  
Cllr Hopkins declared an interest due to being on the Big Local Steering Group.

### **64. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**Minute 61. Bath and North East Somerset Councillor's Report** - Cllr Jackson gave an update on the batch behind Wells Square – an Enforcement Officer visited today and will be reporting back to her. It was agreed to follow up any outstanding queries we have with planning officers.

**Minute 58. Flowers in Public Places** - Cllr Cooper gave an update.

**Resolved:** (1) That Flowers by Nicola are asked to check a couple of the baskets where the water supply may be restricted.

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- (2) That the plumber is asked to make the tap at Wesley Avenue easier to get to with watering cans
- (3) That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

**65. Resignations**

The resignations of Cllrs Angie Seaman-Moss and Robin Moss were noted. The deadline for an election was 8<sup>th</sup> July.

**Resolved:** To call an election. Cllr Jackson to action this at BANES.

**66. Committee Reports**

**(a) Environment and Development Committee – 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**Minute 36. Elm tree in Westfield.** Cllr Cooper proposed that an Elm tree be planted at Norton Hill and at Westhill.

**Resolved: (1)** To defer authority to the Environment and Development committee to make a final decision at the meeting next Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July, after photographs are taken of the sites in question.

**(2)** That the Minutes of the Environment and Development meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016, be noted.

**(b) Finance and Personnel Committee – 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016**

**Resolved:** That the Minutes of the Finance and Personnel meeting, held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016, be noted.

**67. Approval of items over £5,000 and consideration of any virement**

There were no items over £5,000 for approval.

**68. Westfield Neighbourhood Plan Working Group**

The minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June were distributed and noted.

**Resolved:** As suggested by the Working Group, to organise a public event to discuss the future of the Police Station, inviting the Police and Crime Commissioner, Sue Mounstevens, to give a talk.

**69. Creating Community Identity**

Cllrs Fuller and Hopkins and the Clerk met with Dave Dixon, Communities Manager of BaNES, in response to the open letter that was written regarding

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the status of Westfield. Mr Dixon has taken some points away to discuss with officers at BaNES. A reply has been promised this week.

There is a further meeting arranged on 7<sup>th</sup> July with Martin Laker, who is responsible for the 'My House' page on the BaNES website.

### 70. Pool on Snails Brook

The Parish Council received correspondence and a map from Catherine Whybrow relating to the pool on Snails Brook, used as a swimming pool until the Second World War.

**Resolved:** To write a letter of support to Ms Whybrow suggesting that this would be a project that would be well run by a residents' group and asking her to keep us informed of any developments so that we may be able to support further in future.

### 70. Outside Bodies Reports

**Mardens:** Cllr Cooper reported that Linden Homes have still not supplied signs for the parking spaces allocated for use by visitors to Mardens.

**Resolved:** to write to Linden Homes asking for action to be taken.

**Radstock Museum:** Cllr Jackson advised of the exhibition commemorating the Somerset and Dorset railway, encouraging all to attend. The exhibition is on until 17<sup>th</sup> July

### 71. Chairman's Report

Cllr Fuller attended the opening of the exhibition commemorating the Somerset and Dorset railway.

### 72. Bath and North East Somerset Councillors' report

Cllr Jackson reported the Labour groups concerns regarding the new West of England Mayoral Combined Authority (MCA). She urged all to go on the website and express their views in the consultation, which is running now until 15 August 2016.

She reported that the Placemaking Plan will be coming out in August. It was asked that she raise the issue of the Shambles at BaNES as it is close to collapse.

The meeting closed at 8:00pm.

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