

Westfield Parish Council



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4th July 2022

TO: (a) All Members of the Environment and Development Committee
Cllrs Bryan Wallbridge (Chair), Diana Cooper (Vice Chair), Geoff Fuller, Ron Hopkins, James Honess, Eleanor Jackson, Pat Williams

(b) All other Members of the Council for information

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the **Environment and Development Committee** of Westfield Parish Council on **Monday 11th July 2022 at 7pm at the Board Room, Oval Office, Cobblers Way, Westfield BA3 3BX.**

The meeting will consider the items set out below.

Ms L J Close
Parish Clerk

Before the meeting there will be a 15-minute public session to enable residents of Westfield to ask questions, and make comments.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence and to consider the reasons given** Council to receive apologies for absence and, if appropriate, to approve the reasons given.

2. **Declarations of interest and dispensations** Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items, in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Code of Conduct. The Parish Council may consider agreeing a dispensation, providing the request is put in writing and the dispensation is allowed on the grounds set out in s.33 of the Localism Act 2011.
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** – To agree the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 13th June 2022 (**Pages 1-4**)
4. **Planning applications for consideration** – there are no planning applications this month
5. **Planning decisions (Page 5)**
6. **Planning Appeals**
 - The Vicarage, 13 St Peter's Road 22/00045/RF Erection of a dwelling
 - 3 Ruskin Road, 22/00043/RF Installation of hard standing driveway with drop kerb access
7. **Recreation Ground – Norton Hill**
 - Rugbytots – consider allowing a banner advertising the classes (**Page 6**)
 - Proposed office space (**Pages 7-9**)
8. **Recreation Ground – Westhill**
 - Mobile CCTV at Ash Tree Court update
 - Medium Risk on Play Inspection – fence is damaged allowing children unrestricted access to the car park – quote is being sought.
 - Westhill Club update
9. **Planter at Wesley Avenue** – The timbers around the planter are decaying. To consider options to replace (**Pages 10-11**)
10. **Tree planting on Lincombe Road** – request from a resident to plant some trees on an open green area. (**Page 12**)
11. **Request to put up a silhouette of a Miner (Page 13)**
12. **Waterside Valley** – request for a letter of support for funding (**Page 14**)
13. **Climate Emergency** – Climate and Biodiversity Festival (**Page 15**)
14. **Clean and Green Radstock and Westfield (Page 16)**
15. **Pharmaceutical needs assessment (Page 17)**
16. **Traffic Lights at Cobblers Way (Pages 18-19)**
17. **Events**

Westfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Environment and Development Committee Meeting held in the boardroom at the Oval Office, Cobblers Way, Westfield on 13th June 2022 commencing at 7pm.

Present: Cllrs Bryan Wallbridge (Chair), Diana Cooper, Geoff Fuller, Ron Hopkins, Eleanor Jackson and Pat Williams

Absent: Cllr James Honess

Also attending: Lesley Close, Parish Clerk, Tracey Stephens, Admin Assistant.

15. Apologies for absence and to consider the reasons given

Apologies were received from Cllr Honess and accepted.

16. Declarations of interest and dispensation

Cllr Hopkins declared an interest in item 14 on the agenda – allotments – as he lives across the road from the college.

17. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 9th May 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

18. Planning applications for consideration

There were no objections to the following application:

22/01681/FUL	Integrity Print, First Avenue	Siting of 4 x 40ft containers and 3 x 20ft containers for long term storage on existing gravel area
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Cllr Jackson gave an update on progress on the development at RADCO.

19. Planning Decisions

There were no planning decisions to note.

20. The Shambles

Cllr Jackson reported that the planning issues have been resolved and Fishlock and King are to continue with the development.

21. Recreation Ground – Norton Hill

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.

Signed Dated

Westfield Parish Council

There were no items to discuss.

22. Recreation Ground - Westhill

- **Mobile CCTV update**

The Clerk reported that she had received the information required on the spec of the camera and would give that to B&NES to get authorisation to fit it.

- **Play inspections**

Resolved: (1) to accept the quote from Signefex for a new sign at the BMX track at a cost of £162.50 + VAT.

(2) to accept the quote from GB Sport and Leisure for repairs to the pick-up sticks of £1085.33 + VAT. It was noted that the item is becoming more expensive to repair and would reach end of life at some point.

- **Litter bin/dog bin audit**

Resolved: to accept the quote from Greensward for £875.75 + VAT for 5 bins for Westhill and Norton Hill.

23. Planter at Wesley Avenue

The quote from Foundations Up for a brick surround to the planter was discussed and a cost of around £4,500 was approved.

Resolved: to discuss further with Foundations Up

24. Noticeboards at Elm Tree Avenue and Nightingale Way

Resolved: to accept the quote from Jody Gillick of £445 for redecoration of two noticeboards

25. Waterside Valley

- **Request to bring digger onto land behind 22 Birch Road**

A request had been received to bring a digger onto Waterside Valley in order to build a retaining wall at 22 Birch Road, where the garden was falling into the valley.

Resolved: to allow the access providing the appropriate health and safety measures were taken into account and that no debris was left after the work.

- **Consultation Plan**

A proposed consultation plan was presented on the draft Master Plan:

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.

Signed Dated

Westfield Parish Council

JUNE/JULY

Liaise with Youth Connect South West for comments from the young people on the draft plan. Do this before the schools break up.

AUGUST

Centre pages of the Warbler to display the invitation to comment on the draft plan. The Warbler is being distributed w/c 15th August

Put up Facebook posts, Twitter, notices on the noticeboards, email the Waterside Valley Volunteer Group

SEPTEMBER

Two consultation session in the fortnight commencing 5th September. One morning at Mardons and the other in an event at the Methodist Church Hall. Arrange for Andy King to be at both events for an hour at each.

In the meantime, have the plan on display at the Parish Council office for drop in comments (unmanned)

Resolved: to approve the consultation plan.

- **Bristol Avon Catchment Market (BACM)**

It was noted that BACM were looking for pilot schemes and were offering free of charge Bio Diversity Gain surveys.

Resolved: to put in an Expression of Interest for BACM to undertake a Bio Diversity Net Gain survey of the water course.

26. Climate emergency

- **Re-wilding at Cobblers Way**

A suggestion had been received from a resident to re-wild the green area at Cobblers Way.

Resolved: Not to re-wild this particular area as it was felt that, while supporting the ethos of encouraging wildlife, the land at Upper Court was not an inappropriate area to do so.

- **Grass cutting of verges in Westfield**

A complaint had been received regarding the area at Wesley Avenue, junction with Ruskin Road. It was felt that the scheduling of cutting around this area was insufficient due to the likelihood of increased dog mess left and the aesthetic appearance of the patches of land.

Resolved: to pass on the complaint to B&NES with a request to increase the scheduling of cutting the area and to advise the resident that we had done so.

27. Allotments – update on meeting with college

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.

Signed Dated

Westfield Parish Council

The meeting did not take place but the principal had forwarded an update of items of interest at the college which were noted. The meeting would be re-scheduled.

28. Events

- **Funfair**

Resolved: to approve the Letting Agreement for next year and to arrange to meet with Shaun Rogers around a month beforehand to discuss and reiterate the need to put the posters up according to the agreement.

- **Christmas lights** - there was no update available with regard to extending the lighting display along Wells Road

29. Condition of Lincombe Road

Cllr Jackson reported that Lincombe Road urgently needs resurfacing.

Resolved: to send a request to Highways for a new road surface.

To resolve that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

30. Westhill Club

Resolved: (1) to ask Neil Howlett to liaise directly with the Club's advisor regarding the Club's constitution.

(2) to instruct Neil Howlett to draw up a restrictive covenant for the land that the club agrees to enter into.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting.

Signed Dated

Westfield Parish Council Planning Decisions – JULY 2022

Date Rec'd	App No	Applicant	Location	Case Officer	Proposal	BANES Decision
25.02.2022	22/00244/TCA	Jacqueline Partridge	Endersley, Welton Road	Jane Brewer	2no. Goat Willow – cut and trim diseased, overhanging branches and reduce height by 2m. 4no. Lawson Cypress – remove	No Objections

☐ Indicates decision received since agenda printed

Parish Clerk

From: Gareth Turnbull <gareth@rugbytots.co.uk>
Sent: 23 June 2022 14:28
To: Tracey Stephens; Parish Clerk
Subject: RE: Norton Hill Recreation Ground

Hi Tracey

That's great news, because I was so slow and late to reply to you, I felt it was risky to run the session there without permission so we stuck with the college.

We will definitely move to the recreation ground if that's ok. It's a community club and would be great to try it in one of your lovely public spaces.

Thank you so much for asking about the banner. We promote our classes on Facebook but this has a very limited scope and misses so many of the families who would really enjoy a new toddler group.

We run on Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00

Gareth

From: Tracey Stephens <tracey.stephens@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk>
Sent: 20 June 2022 09:21
To: Gareth Turnbull <gareth@rugbytots.co.uk>; Parish Clerk <parishclerk@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk>
Subject: RE: Norton Hill Recreation Ground

Hi Gareth,

Sorry – we wouldn't have been able to get back to you before now as our office is not open on Fridays.

Saturday mornings, finishing by around 11, is fine. Did you go ahead this weekend? Hope it went well if you did.

I'm not sure about the banner, it's something we will have to ask at committee – next meeting is 11th July.

What dates does the course run?

I can come back to you after the meeting.

Best regards

Tracey

Tracey Stephens
Admin Assistant

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Parish Clerk

From: Michael Williams <michael@mjwarchitects.com>
Sent: 22 June 2022 18:01
To: Parish Clerk
Cc: Tracey Stephens
Subject: RE: Westfield Parish Council Office
Attachments: 0534-106-2-WesthillOffice-Proposed-GroundFloor-1-DRAFT.pdf

Good evening Lesley

Further to my earlier email please find attached the proposed ground floor plan for the new office.

As requested it is a side extension of the existing pavilion and extends to the fence. It will be the same width as the existing pavilion. This has the benefit of carrying through the pitched roof of the existing pavilion. Alternatively it could have a separate pitched roof or a cheaper flat roof. The space for garage / storage and cleaner / plant is at the rear and would be with a flat roof. This design has the benefit of saving space and costs by using the existing kitchen and changing the existing cleaner / plant room into a bathroom for the office. This will be the most cost effective arrangement with maximised space.

The plan shows a meeting room with a table for 20 people – as you can see it will take up a lot space. If the table is reduced in size then less space will be required and consequently the extension could be less in length to save costs or the office made bigger as the dividing wall could move.

I will wait for your comments and feedback before proceeding further.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Thank you.

Kind regards

Michael

Michael J Williams

mjwarchitects

The Old Chapel Mendip Road Stoke St Michael Somerset BA3 5JU

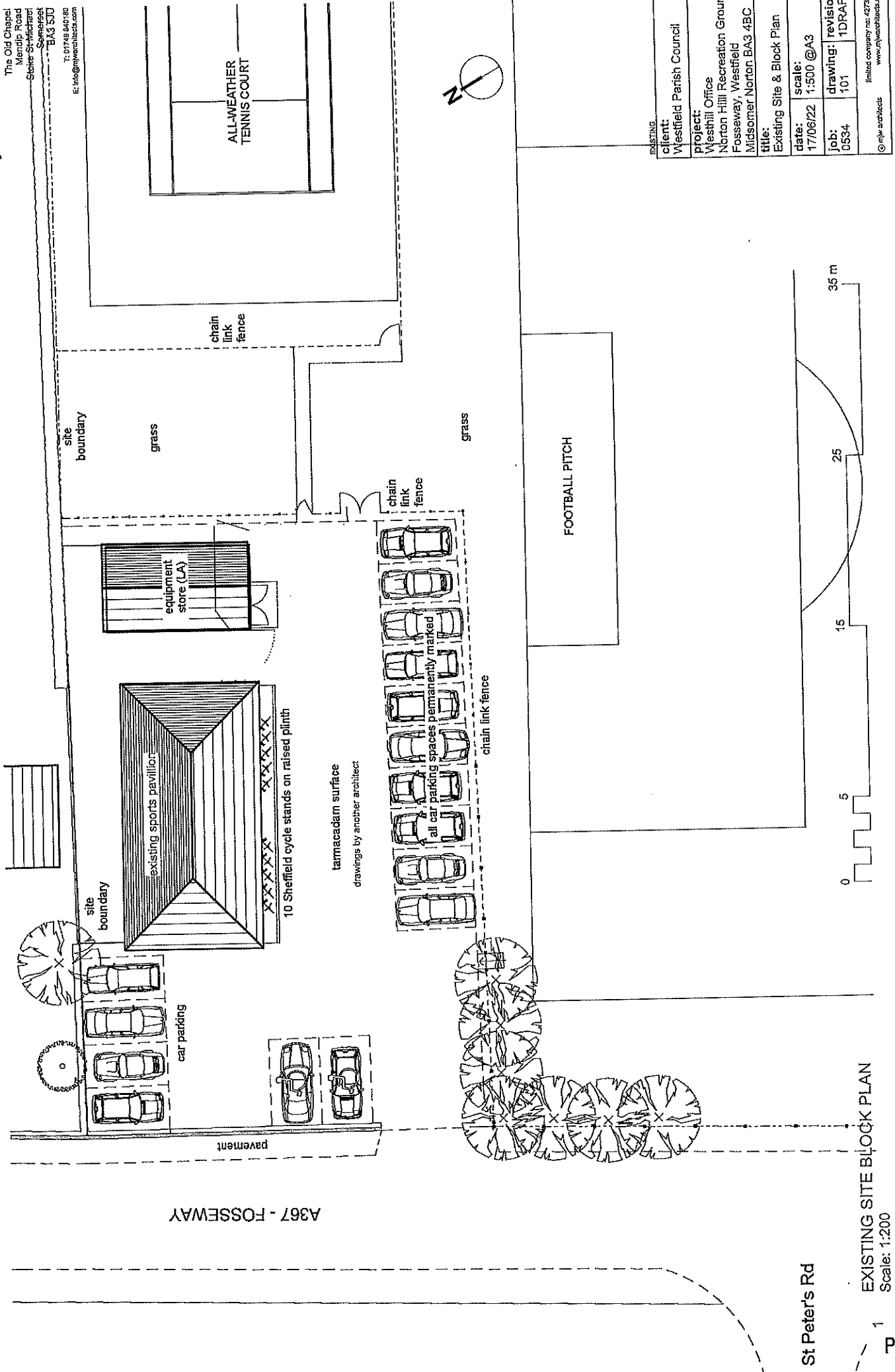
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From: Parish Clerk [mailto:parishclerk@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk]
Sent: 22 June 2022 11:54
To: Michael Williams <michael@mjwarchitects.com>
Cc: Tracey Stephens <tracey.stephens@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk>
Subject: Westfield Parish Council Office

Morning Michael

Following a Finance and Personnel Committee meeting this morning, the preference from councillors was actually that a 20-person meeting table be included in the extension. Therefore, please could the plans take the form of (1) taking down the garage; (2) building a side extension to the pavilion which runs from the pavilion to the fence to the recreation ground; (3) building a storage area on the back of the pavilion for storing the items currently kept in the garage.



client:	Westfield Parish Council
project:	Westhill Office
location:	Norton Hill Recreation Ground Fosseway, Westfield Midsomer Norton BA3 4BC
title:	Existing Site & Block Plan
date:	17/06/22
scale:	1:500 @A3
job:	0534
drawing:	101
revision:	1DRAFT

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existing boundary fence

Site Boundary

boundary

ex. foul drain
(possible)

ex. MHs

EXISTING SPORTS PAVILLION

drawings by another architect

**HOME TEAM
CHANGING ROOM**

shwrs

lobby

use ex
kitchen

Kitchen

New
WC

move cleaner/
plant

new wall not built on Man Hole

ex. MH

Storage

2600mm

4860mm

Cleaner /
Plant

1800mm

2600mm

4580mm

Office

7030mm

table for 20
5000mm

7030mm

Meeting Room

line of existing fence



PROPOSED OPTION 1

client:	Westfield Parish Council
project:	Westhill Office
	Norton Hill Recreation Ground
	Fosseway, Westfield
	Midsomer Norton BA3 4BC
title:	Proposed Ground Floor Plan
date:	17/06/22
scale:	1:50 @ A3
job:	0534
drawing:	106
revision:	2DRAFT

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PROPOSED FLOOR PLAN
Scale: 1:50

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Parish Clerk

From: Tracey Stephens
Sent: 20 June 2022 09:05
To: mike@foundationsup.co.uk
Cc: Parish Clerk
Subject: RE: Brick & Timber/steel planter

Thank you Mike

This will go to committee on Monday 11th July, so I hope the quote will still be valid then.

Best regards

Tracey

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Please note my normal working hours are Monday 9 – 4:30, Tuesday 9 – 1:30, Wednesday 12 – 4:30

The views and comments expressed in this email are confidential to the recipients and should not be passed on to others without permission.

From: mike@foundationsup.co.uk <mike@foundationsup.co.uk>
Sent: 16 June 2022 16:30
To: Tracey Stephens <tracey.stephens@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk>
Subject: Brick & Timber/steel planter

Please note: This email supersedes all other prices given. Materials have been rising in price steadily and we can only hold these prices open for 30 days.

Hi Tracey,

Further to yesterday's discussion I can tell you that (with last month's materials increase include) the planters will cost:-

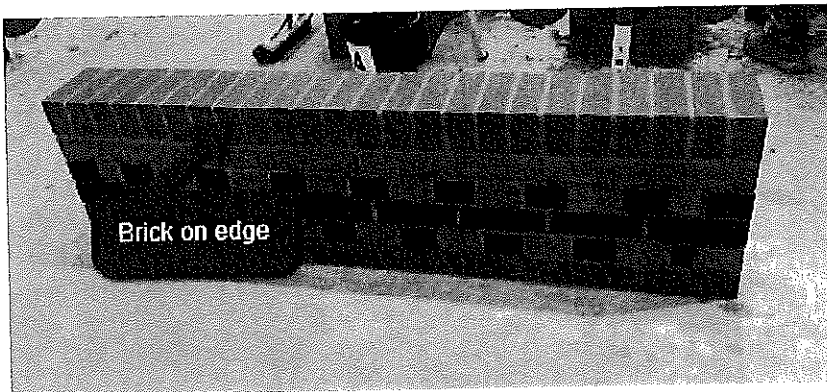
Steel & Timber (1.2m x 1.2m square) – To be built in same position as existing planter but with back panel touching the pump box. **£5344 plus VAT**

- 4 x 100mm hollow steel corner posts, with welded metal caps, powder coated brown for rust evasion & set into concrete.

- Foundation trench dug between posts and concrete foundation laid to accept brickwork
- 225mm (3 courses) brickwork laid on foundation trench with reinforcing mesh in joints to prevent vandalism
- Hardwood timber panels fixed on top of brickwork to bring structure to 1.2m high
- Soil removal/reinstatement and gardening done by others.

Brickwork (1.5m diameter main section/1m diameter lower section) to be built slightly offset to pump box **£6822 plus VAT**

- Excavate & concrete foundations 300mm wide
- Lay bricks to outside and concrete blocks to inside to prevent walls being knocked over
- Top circle to be 1.2m high – Lower circle to be 0.6m high
- Walls finished with a “brick on edge” or similar.



Every evening the work will be enclosed with fencing to stop vandalism and all tools will be removed from site. The site will be left in a clean and tidy condition.

I hope the above works for you and look forward to hearing from you.

Mike

Mike Edwards
Project Manager

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Parish Clerk

From: Katharine Parsons <j.kparsons@yahoo.co.uk>
Sent: 21 June 2022 19:57
To: Council
Subject: Tree planting on Lincombe Road

Hi,

I've been trying to contact Banes council about planting some trees on an area of land on Lincombe Road, Westfield. They haven't got back to me yet so I was hoping you could help.

I've attached pictures of the land. It's alongside number 37 Lincombe Road, which is owned by my Father so that's not a problem!

At the moment the land is unused. The idea I have is to plant 3 or 4 dwarf fruit trees, which i will buy/plant/care for myself. I feel this would bring real benefits to everyone who lives on Lincombe Road, especially the children. It would look lovely all year round, especially when in blossom in the Spring, all the residents would be able to pick the fruit and it would create a shaded area for the children to play. Of course, it's also very beneficial to wildlife.

If you could help me to achieve this idea I'd be really grateful.

Thank you for your time,

Kate Parsons.

Parish Clerk

From: Mo Duery <moduery@btinternet.com>
Sent: 23 June 2022 12:50
To: Council
Subject: Silhouettes of miners

Lesley J Close.

My name is Mo Duery I am the treasurer for the Somerset Miners Welfare Trust, I spoke to your Chairperson Jef Fuller, with the aims of our Trusty's to erect Silhouettes of miners, made of steel with a notice board with information of the coal mines in the local area, we would very much like to erect one near the coal truck opposite the Methodist Hall at Westfield, hopefully at your next meeting you and your fellow Council Members will agree for us to erect one of the Silhouettes at no cost to the Parish Council, I await your response with hope.

Best Regards

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Parish Clerk

From: Caroline Lightfoot <Caroline_Lightfoot@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Sent: 29 June 2022 12:44
To: Parish Clerk
Subject: Somer Valley Rediscovered - Greenspace Project, Request for Letter of Support
Attachments: Overview of project bid 4.docx

Good afternoon Lesley,

As you are aware, the Somer Valley Rediscovered - Greenspace Project is located in Radstock, Midsomer Norton and Westfield and aims to improve biodiversity on 5 key sites (Haydon Batch, Waterside Valley, Midsomer Norton Town Park, Wellow Brook Walk & Staddlestones). It also aims to improve the physical accessibility of these sites for visitors and to increase the amount of community engagement.

An application for funding from the West of England Combined Authority Green Recovery Fund for the project is due to be submitted on the 22nd July. I am writing to you to request a letter of support for the project and would be grateful if you could let us have this by 15th July. The letter should state that you are working in partnership with Somer Valley Rediscovered to develop Waterside Valley and mention any match funding that you can pledge, even at this stage it is only an indication.

I attach a project overview for information. Please let us know if you require any further information.

Please can you address your letter of support to:

Miriam Woolnough
Somer Valley Rediscovered – Project Manager
Green Infrastructure and Nature Recovery Team
Bath & North East Somerset Council
And send by email to: Miriam_woolnough@bathnes.gov.uk

Kind regards

Caroline

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Parish Clerk

From: Alice Keogh <Alice_Keogh@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Sent: 24 June 2022 14:53
Cc: Micaela Basford
Subject: Climate and Biodiversity Festival 2022

Dear Parish Clerks,

We've launched our Climate and Biodiversity Festival [application portal](#) for 2022!

This year's festival will be taking place from the 24th September to the 2nd October and like last year we are asking organisations and community members to submit events to the festival programme.

Following an initial community meeting the theme of this year's festival is to "Take action for your community", focussing on what we can all do to combat the climate and ecological emergencies. The festival is an opportunity to run events which engage community members with climate and ecological issues, and the huge range of activity taking place across B&NES to make a positive difference. Events can be online, in person or a mixture of both!

We're also here to offer support, there are a range of [FAQs on our website](#), but if these do not cover your questions do get in touch with us directly. If you have an event idea, but are struggling to find a location or if you have a great community space, but no event ideas, submit your ideas/resources through our online portal and we'll be in touch to connect and discuss.

Our community drop-in sessions will be continuing each month during the run up to the festival where we can answer questions directly and update on latest festival news. Find dates and zoom links on our community network [here](#).

Expressions of interest close on **Friday 8th July**.

Please do share this email with those in your parish, particularly any councillors who are part of climate emergency working groups.

Many thanks,

Alice Keogh (She/Her)

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Parish Clerk

From: Eleanor Jackson (Cllr) <Eleanor_Jackson@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Sent: 28 June 2022 15:27
To: CleanAndGreen; Christopher Dando (Cllr); Bruce Shearn (Cllr); Robin Moss (Cllr)
Cc: Council; radstockinbloom@gmail.com; radstockinbloom@gmail.com; 'ellen vaughan'
Subject: RE: Clean and Green: Radstock and Westfield

Dear Sheryl

Thank you for your email. I am afraid I seem to have missed Cllr Woods email. There is quite a lot of litter-picking going on at present both with volunteers in Westfield (Shakespeare Road, for example and the St Peter's Road Residents Action Group) and Radstock in Bloom, who are out pretty well every Sunday. We can certainly send lists of hot spots, though with the schools on holiday some will not be as bad as they often are, for example around the bus stops at Elm Tree Avenue, Westfield, or the netball court, Church Street, Radstock, and especially, between Connexions centre and Huish Court, Writhlington.

I trust you are working closely with the parish and town councils. I have copied them in, as well as the In Bloom volunteers.

Are we talking about BANES areas, or parish council playing fields?

Looking forward to hearing from you

Best wishes

Eleanor

Terms and conditions of Bath and North East Somerset Council's data protection policy apply.

From: CleanAndGreen <CleanAndGreen@bathnes.gov.uk>
Sent: 28 June 2022 14:55
To: Christopher Dando (Cllr) <Christopher_Dando@BATHNES.GOV.UK>; Bruce Shearn (Cllr) <Bruce_Shearn@BATHNES.GOV.UK>; Eleanor Jackson (Cllr) <Eleanor_Jackson@BATHNES.GOV.UK>; Robin Moss (Cllr) <Robin_Moss@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Subject: Clean and Green: Radstock and Westfield

Dear Councillors,

It's great to meet you all, I'm the Clean and Green Projects Officer. I will be coordinating the clean and green action weeks in the cluster wards across B&NES.

Further to Cllr Woods email I am getting in contact as we are due to be in Radstock and Westfield for a Clean and Green Action Week 8th-12th August, then again in February.

In addition to our routine cleansing, our new Clean and Green Team of 3 cleansing operatives are spending time in each ward across B&NES to respond to cleansing priorities such as sweeping, weeding, and litter picking.

Please let me know your priority areas for cleansing within your wards and we will review and put together a schedule of works for the action week.

We are also planning to do a joint staff and volunteer community action day on one of the days during the action week to do some litter picking or weed removal, please send across any contacts of local volunteer groups you think may be interested in taking part and we can organise a date.

Bath & North East Somerset Council

Bath and North East Somerset Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2022 to 2025

I am writing to invite your comments on a refreshed version of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) for Bath and North East Somerset which will cover the period 2022 - 2025.

The PNA is a statement from the Bath and North East Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board which assesses the need for local pharmaceutical services across the area. It considers whether we have enough pharmacies and whether they provide the right services for local people now and in the future. It is also intended to assist the NHS and local authority develop future services.

A draft refreshed PNA is now available and we are keen to hear from a wide range of people to ensure that the information included within it is accurate. A consultation period is open from 6th June until 6th August 2022 in order to capture these views and if you would like to respond, please complete the consultation survey at the following web link:
<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/pharmaceutical-needs-assessment-pna-2022-2025-consultation>

Alternatively, we will be able to provide you with a hard copy upon request if you would prefer. Please call Joe Prince - 01225 394070 or email research@bathnes.gov.uk to request this.

Please forward this message to anyone you think may have an interest in pharmacy services in B&NES.

Many thanks,

Paul Scott
Consultant in Public Health
Public Health
Bath & North East Somerset Council

Parish Clerk

From: Matthew Langdon <Matthew.Langdon@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Sent: 29 June 2022 17:47
To: Parish Clerk
Cc: Traffic Signals
Subject: FW: URGENT Lights out of sync at the traffic lights on the A367 and Cobblers Way

Dear Lesley,

Please accept my apologies as I hoped to be in touch prior to this date.

Just to update you the B&NES Principal Traffic Signals Engineer and I visited the site yesterday afternoon and we both spent a significant period of time observing the signal junction and its immediate environs.

We checked all of the signal timings and they are fine, allowing plenty of time for vehicles to exit the junction. However, it was apparent that the issue you raised takes place when parked vehicles prevent the flow of traffic northwards towards the Shell petrol station on the A367 Fosseyway. When the parking does not take place and/or the road is quieter the junction operates as expected. Due to increased numbers using the junction at school finishing time, the issue of vehicles sometimes getting trapped within the junction occurs.

In order to mitigate the issue we propose to:

- a) Install a new additional signal head on to pole 6 (on the traffic island) angled slightly inwards towards the footway. This will ensure that any drivers trapped within the junction due to queueing traffic can observe a red signal and stop should the pedestrian crossing display a green man signal to cross
- b) Speak with our traffic management & parking colleagues to discuss the potential for a parking prohibition around school/busy times to prevent the issue you raised from occurring. This will be a longer term intervention if supported due to the required TRO consultation period and may not come to fruition. We will also discuss the potential to adjust the carriageway centre line to assist larger vehicles passing any parked vehicles
- c) Speak with our colleagues in the tree team to request that vegetation and foliage is cut back ensuring all traffic signal aspects remain visible at all times

We will place an order with the Councils traffic signal maintenance and installation contractor for the new signal head, however a new contract commences on 1st July 2022 so it may take slightly longer than usual to get the work programmed and undertaken. We will pressure our contractor to undertake this at the earliest opportunity and I shall keep you updated.

Should you have any further questions do please let me know.

Kind Regards

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From: Traffic Signals <Traffic_Signals@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Sent: 17 June 2022 08:14
To: parishclerk@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk

Cc: Traffic Signals <Traffic_Signals@BATHNES.GOV.UK>; Traffic Management Team
<Traffic_ManagementTeam@BATHNES.GOV.UK>
Subject: RE: URGENT Lights out of sync at the traffic lights on the A367 and Cobblers Way

Dear Lesley

Thank you for your email.

The incident you mentioned below has also been reported to us by a member of the public. We will be investigating as a priority.

Regards

Paul

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Subject: URGENT Lights out of sync at the traffic lights on the A367 and Cobblers Way

Local residents have highlighted a dangerous situation at the traffic lights on the junction of the A367 and Cobblers Way, outside Westfield Primary School. A young boy was hit by the wing mirror of a car at this junction this week, the outcome could have been a lot worse. Please can this therefore be addressed urgently.

It isn't that the traffic is jumping the lights, it seems there isn't enough time between the lights going green from Cobblers Way to when the crossing lights go green for people crossing the A367 from the Westfield Primary School side of the road, so there are cars still going through the junction when pedestrians are able to cross. The cars have no way of knowing the pedestrian crossing has gone green so they keep going. Obviously this is happening all the time but the impact is at around 3pm, school pick up time, when there is a lot more traffic around and there are lots of school children crossing the road

Please can it be looked at urgently.

Many thanks,

Lesley