



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN BANWELL YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7:30pm ON MONDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2023

PRESENT: Councillors: Paul Blatchford (Chairman), Phil Adams, Simon Arlidge, Mike Bailey, Steve Davies, Nick Manley, Maggie McCarthy and Matthew Thomson

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Liz Shayler (Clerk)
WARD COUNCILLOR: Cllr Harley & Haverson
AVON & SOMERSET POLICE: None
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: None

Cllr Blatchford welcomed everybody.

Before the meeting was convened, members of the public were invited to speak.

i) Members of the public

No members of the public were present.

ii) Community Beat Manager's report

The following report was received for the period 16/01/2023 to 19/02/2023.

Incidents reported = 43 with the following selection of crimes reported: 6 abandoned 999 calls, 2 antisocial behaviour, 4 concern for welfare, 1 criminal damage, 8 suspicious activity and 10 traffic related. Whilst there has been an increase in the number of calls to the police this month which appears much higher than last month, figures show that actual crimes recorded are much lower.

Don't forget your local Neighbourhood officer will be available to be seen at the "Coffee & chat" at the Scout Building on March 22nd from 11am – 12.

For up-to-date information residents can keep in touch via the Avon & Somerset website or follow them on social media, Facebook "Weston & Worle police" or Twitter "ASPNorthSom". Residents were asked if they see anything suspicious in the area or would like to talk to local officers, please call 101 or 999 in an emergency, they can also report anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800555111.

iii) Ward Councillor's report

Cllr Haverson raised the following.

Health care system updates.

- There has been an increase in mental health issues across the country and North Somerset is higher than the average.
- The Government Integrated Care Strategy is to be implemented.
- Latest information shows that there is a life expectancy deficit of 7 years between the most and least deprived people in the area.

Also:

- North Somerset Council Tax budget increase of approximately 5%.
- There is to be additional compulsory purchase orders as part of the bypass scheme for bat protection.
- North Somerset Council is strengthening its Travel Plan Strategy with housing developments.

Cllr Harley raised the following.

- Her personal experiences of the health care system in particular discharge.
- Her disappointment in the sheer number of mental health issues in young people.
- Support for the Banwell bypass and the concerns of neighbouring villages in relation to the wider mitigation issues.

The meeting was convened.

015/23 To receive apologies for absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Cllrs Tara Wright (who attended online), Phil Adams, Kevin Gibbons and Paul Harding.

016/23 To receive members' declarations of interest on any agenda item (agenda item 2)

No Declarations of interest

017/23 To receive and consider an application to fill a casual vacancy by co-option from Simon Arlidge (agenda item 3)

Resolved – To co-opt Simon Arlidge on to Banwell Parish Council.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

Cllr Arlidge read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

018/23 To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 16th of January 2023 (agenda item 4)

Resolved – That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 16th of January 2023 be approved as a correct record of the meeting with the following amendments.

- Addition of District Cllr Haverson to those present.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous with four abstentions due to absence)

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

019/23 To note the following committee Meeting minutes (agenda item 5)

i) Employment Committee Meeting held on the 16th of January 2023.

The minutes were noted.

ii) Planning Committee Meeting held on the 6th of February 2023.

The minutes were noted.

020/23 To receive the Clerk's report/Exchange of information (agenda item 6)

i) Public Living Rooms Initiative

The Parish Council have now received two grants. One which was for acoustic measures in the Scout Building and the other to enable the public living room to open longer and it will be used to pay the latest LPG gas bill. The Public Living Room will now be open from 10am until 4pm every Tuesday and Thursday. Cllr Wright was thanked for all her support with the public living room.

ii) Recreation Ground and Riverside Green additional play equipment projects

The Clerk updated the meeting that there had been a delay to the installation work at Riverside and so the Recreation Ground installation we begin first later in the week.

iii) Winscombe Parish Council Grant

The Parish Council have been awarded a grant from Winscombe Parish Council of £1000 to allow the Youth & Community Centre to offer a free space for services including Forest School, Counselling sessions and You Can Do IT / Tea & Tech.

021/23 To note the training and events available and agree any attendance (agenda item 7)

i) ALCA e-learning on nimble

The training was noted.

ii) Breakthrough Communications Training via ALCA

The training was noted.

iii) Finance Training via ALCA

The training was noted.

iv) 'Scribe' Finance Training

The training was noted.

v) 24th May 9:45 – 16:10, SLCC virtual summit on Community Building Management £60

Resolved – That the Clerk or new Comms Officer attend the SLCC's virtual summit on Community Building Management for £60.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

022/23 To approve the following expenditure (agenda item 8).

i) £145 for the annual CCTV maintenance for the YCC.

Resolved – To agree the annual fee of £145 for annual CCTV maintenance.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

ii) £85 for the annual automatic door service at the YCC.

Resolved – To agree the annual fee of £85 for the annual automatic door service.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iii) £445 for the first of the two annual weed control sprays.

Resolved – To agree £445 for the first of the two annual weed control sprays and give the Clerk delegated authority to approve the second spray.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

023/23 To note the increase in cost of zoom by £1 a month (agenda item 9):

The increase of £1 to the zoom cost was noted.

024/23 To approve the following expenditure (agenda item 10).

i) To note the donation from Mead Realisations of £900 for three dog bins located in the new development, Mead Fields and to agree the installation cost of approximately £300.

Mead Realisations were thanked for their donation. The Council were informed that the Clerk had received a second quote for installation of £150.

Resolved – To agree the installation cost of 3 bins for £150 by JK Gardening.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

Resolved – To agree the purchase of three dog bins (two fido 35 and one fido 50) using the donation from Mead Realisations for Mead fields.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

ii) **Complaints received in relation to the dog bin at Hill End.**

Resolved – To remove the dog bin at Hill End.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iii) **To agree a replacement dog bin at the Knightcott Park / Wolverhill Park cut through.**

Resolved – To use the removed dog bin at Hill End to replace the dog bin at Knightcott / Wolverhill Park.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

025/23 To discuss the funding request from Banwell Scouts for acoustic measures to the Scout Building (agenda item 11).

Resolved – To grant 1st Banwell Scouts £1000 towards acoustic measures in the Scout Building.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

026/23 To discuss the unmetered supply to the streetlights and agree a supplier (agenda item 12):

Resolved – To agree a 100% green three-year contract with YU energy.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

027/23 To discuss the 2023/24 Coronation Budget of £500 and agree a way forward (agenda item 13).

Resolved – To agree that the Coronation budget be used to purchase an item of memorabilia for the Children at Banwell Primary and Banwell Buddies. Cllr Manley to investigate the different options and bring them back to the next meeting.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

028/23 To note April 20th as the date of the 2023 Banwell Spring Clean and agree expenditure of up to £40 for refreshments (agenda item 14):

The Clerk apologised and stated the date was Saturday 22nd of April, Earth Day.

Resolved – To agree up to £40 to purchase refreshments for the Banwell Spring Clean on 22nd of April.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

029/23 To ratify the appointment of Greenslade Taylor Hunt to act on the Parish Councils behalf in relation to the Banwell Bypass Project and the land at Castle Hill (agenda item 15).

Resolved – To ratify the appointment of Greenslade Taylor Hunt as land agent to act on the Parish Councils behalf in relation to the Banwell Bypass Project and the land at Castle Hill.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

030/23 To agree the purchase of a card machine from Evalon for £29.99 (agenda item 16):

Resolved – To agree the purchase of a card machine from Evalon for £29.99.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

031/23 To agree the use of the Youth and Community Centre as overnight accommodation on 21st June for up to 15 people on a charity cycle ride from Land’s End to John O’Groats (agenda item 17).

Resolved – To agree the use of the Youth and Community Centre as overnight accommodation on 21st June for up to 15 people on a charity cycle ride.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

032/23 To consider the consultation on revising the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and agree a response (agenda item 18).

Resolved – To agree to use the submission from Cllr Manley as the Parish Council response to the consultation on revising the NPPF.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

033/23 To note the Parish Clerk has agreed to support Bleadon Parish Council as a locum until they employ their own Parish Clerk (agenda item 19).

It was noted that the Parish Clerk has agreed to support Bleadon Parish Council as a locum.

034/23 To authorise bills for payment for February (agenda item 20)

Resolved: To authorise the bills for payment sheet for February of £10,190.64. Cllr Harding and Cllr McCarthy to authorise the BACs payments.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

035/23 To note the Parish Council’s end of Januarys net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation (agenda item 21)

The Parish Council’s end of Januarys net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation were noted.

036/23 Dates of the next meetings (agenda item 22)

Monday 6th of March 2023 7pm Planning Committee at the Youth & Community Centre
Monday 20th of March 2023, 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting at the YCC

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:40

.....Chairman

.....Date

Bills for Payment - 17th January to the 14th February 2023
Banwell Parish Council

Method	Payee	Details	Gross Amount	Comments	Minute agreed	Power	
Already Paid							
DD	TV Licence	YCC TV Licence (01.01.23)	£ 159.00		086/22	The Parish Council	
DD	Avantia	LPG Gas (DD 10.02.23) Standing Charge & Gas Tank fill	£ 595.79		141/22		
DD	Mainstream	Phone and Broadband (DD 14.02.23)	£ 88.48		086/22		
DD	EDF	YCC Electricity (15.02.23)	£ 82.88		YCC 17/22		
DD	Npower	Streetlight Power (19.02.23)	£ 499.63		086/22		
To Pay							
BACS	J K Gardening	Grass cutting & Village Orderly	£ 838.50		086/22		
BACS	J K Gardening	Hedges (Riverside, YCC & Rec)	£ 310.00		H & S		
BACS	J K Gardening	Repair posts at Knightcott	£ 318.00		H & S		
BACS	J K Gardening	Remove moss on from surface on Riverside Total £1501.50	£ 35.00		H & S		
BACS	Ambience Landscape	Dog Bin emptying	£ 538.20		086/22		
BACS	Insight Cleaning	YCC Cleaning	£ 192.00		086/22		
BACS	YMCA	Programme costs	£ 540.00		086/22		
BACS	DS Securities	annual CCTV maintenance	£ 174.00		Agenda item		
BACS	DS Securities	New Dual Comm Total £474	£ 300.00	Additional 1hr @ £65 + VAT	009/23 (iv)		
BACS	Parish Mag	Advert x 1 and classified adds Feb to June	£ 78.00		Grant received		
BACS	Banwell Scouts	Public Living Room rent	£ 170.00		139/22		
BACS	Banwell Scouts	Public Living Room grant Total £670	£ 500.00		139/22		
BACS	North Somerset	Advert for officer position	£ 60.00		E07/23		
BACS	Churchill Minibus Society	Grant	£ 1,000.00		010/23		
BACS	Neil Merrick	YC Food Club	£ 134.88		Grant received		
BACS	Liz Shayler	Overtime	£ 37.60		Admin		
DD	Loyds Bank PLC	Multipay charge & costs (zoom, mop heads, printer cartridge & tuck)	£ 187.70			086/22	
SO	Officer Salaries	Officer Salaries (SO 26.01.23)	£ 2,388.15			086/22	
DD	Nest	Pension contributions (DD 26.02.23)	£ 168.56		086/22		
DD	North Somerset	Waste Collection (DD 01.03.23)	£ 9.50		086/22		
DD	Calor	Final Bill	£ 15.45		086/22		
DD	Water 2 Business	YCC Water Bill (DD 01.03.23)	£ 114.04		086/22		
BACS	HMRC	PAYE and NI for Sept (12.03.23)	£ 655.28		086/22		
Totals			£10,190.64				

The Parish Council have resolved to use the General Power of Competence as of the 20th May 2019