

CHURCHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th October 2017 at 7.30 pm in Churchill Community Club, Ladymead Lane Churchill.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

(Chair) Councillor Jackie Bush	Councillor Sue List
(Vice Chair) Councillor Brenden Hill	Councillor Alan Lovell
Councillor Simon Glanfield	Councillor Dev Clutterbuck

(Clerk's Note : Mrs Ruth Bruton was elected to be Co-Opted as a Councillor to the Parish Council at Item 1718/C/ 076 below and in attendance)

Other Attendees

Clerk of the Council- Martin Dolton

6 members of the public

1718/C/072: Apologies - to receive apologies from Councillors for non-attendance.

Apologies had been received from Councillors Graham Fortune, Trudy Silverton, James Hoddell, Simon Hegarty and Bill Caruthers.

District Councillor Liz Wells, and Mr M McGregor NSC also sent apologies.

1718/C/073: Declarations of interest: To receive alteration/amendments to the register of interests: To receive declarations of interest on agenda items.

NIL

1718/C/074: To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2017.

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 11th of September 2017 had been previously circulated to all members and were agreed as an accurate record.

RESOLVED:-

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th of September 2017 were confirmed by those present as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

1718/C/075: Public Participation.

The applicant of planning application 17/P/2172/F – King Cottage, King Road (minuted below) addressed the council on the reasoning for the application and the nature of the building proposed.

A resident commented on the application to modify the Bye Way (Mod 54 – minuted below) in which the applicant had suggested long historic use by various means of transport including bicycles – the resident suggested to members that such an assertion was flawed as the bicycle was not invented in the years the applicant had stated. The matter of the provision of a 'slot in' sign for advertising village events was also suggested, and members agreed to further consider this.

The applicant of planning application 17/P/2214/F – Four Gables, Pudding Pie Lane,

addressed the council on the reasoning for the application and the nature of the building proposed.

1718/C/076: To consider the co-option by election to the Council of a Parish resident

Mrs Ruth Bruton had submitted a detail questionnaire to the Council which had been circulated to all members, and had addressed the Councillors at the meeting.

RESOLVED:-

Mrs Ruth Bruton is elected by the Council to be Co-opted as a councillor with immediate effect.

(Mrs Bruton joined the council table at this point in the meeting)

1718/C/077: To receive the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor Mrs Ruth Bruton

Mrs Ruth Bruton signed the declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the Clerk (being the Proper Officer of the Council) as required by the Local Government Act 1972.

RESOLVED:-

Councillor Mrs Ruth Bruton has signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and is therefore a voting member of the council. Councillor Mrs Bruton is also appointed as a named voting member to the Open Spaces and Allotments Committee.

1718/C/078: North Somerset Council Matters

No members of NSC were present. Members suggested that the gully emptying along Dinghurst Road should be conducted after the autumn fall of leaves, and that NSC's attention should be drawn to the disintegration of the footpath surface along the top end of Dinghurst Road. The Clerk will convey both matters to the NSC area officer.

1718/C/079: Planning Matters

(a) To Receive Planning Decision Notices

- 17/P/1609/F : Little Garth, Dinghurst Rd, Churchill
Two storey side extension : CONSENT GRANTED

(b) To Receive Planning Information:-

- **Report of the Planning & Development Strategy Committee**

There had been no further meetings of the Committee since the last meeting of full Parish Council.

The next formal meeting of the committee is on Tuesday the 16th January 2018, at 7.00pm.

(c) Planning Applications for Decision :-

(i) 17/P/2141/F : King Cottage, King Road, (Churchill) BS49 5JS
Erection of a four bedroomed dwelling & associated detached garage

Members considered this application and examined the plans provided.
Members decided by vote :-

RESOLVED:-

The Council supports application 17/P/2141/F as the proposed development would not have any detrimental effect on the environment, neighbouring area or other residents.

(ii) 17/P/2172/F : Beech Barn Annexe, Dinghurst Rd, Churchill
Conversion of garage/store to living space

Members considered this application and examined the plans provided
Members decided :-

RESOLVED:-

The Council supports application 17/P2172/F as it does not appear to have any detrimental effect on the neighbourhood or surrounding environment.

(iii) 17/ P/2214/F : Four Gables,5 Pudding Pie Lane, Langford
Extensions and alterations including raising roof to form first floor bedrooms

Members considered this application and examined the plans provided
Members decided :-

RESOLVED:-

The Council supports application 17/P/2214/F as it does not appear to have any detrimental effect on the neighbourhood or surrounding environment.

(iv) (EB/Mod54) : Right of Way Modification Application : Duck Street
(to allow all traffic to use the Byway)

Members considered the application documents and viewed plans of the application for the proposed modification of the Byway, proposing that the Byway be open to all vehicles in future. Members discussed this matter length and then agreed by vote that :-

RESOLVED :-

The Parish Council does NOT SUPPORT the Right of Way Modification Application (Mod 54) and believes that the suggested evidence of historical right of access is not corroborated. Further, a relevant landowner has provided information that conflicts with the assertion of the applicant relating to historical use of the Bye Way.

1718/C/080: To discuss projects for the community / Parish that future Section 106 / CIL fund provisions could fund, and form a working group to formulate a strategy.

Members had been asked to consider these matters as the Parish Council wishes to be pro-active in relation to the potential future building development within the Parish. The Clerk had compiled a list of suggestions which had been circulated to all members. It was agreed that a working party should be formed to consider all options and suggestions provided, and then report back to the full Council with a proposed prioritised list that would be forwarded to NSC planners for future use and negotiations.

RESOLVED:-

The council forms a working party comprising of councillors Jackie Bush, Simon Glanfield and James Hoddell to formulate a prioritised list of future projects within the Parish for funding by Section 106 / CIL funds as they became available. The list will then be brought back to full council for ratification to be forwarded to NSC planners for future use and negotiations.

1718/C/081: Accounts.- To receive and confirm the payments for October 2017.

The detail of payments for authorisation at the meeting had been listed on the agenda and circulated to all members and displayed on the Council's website and noticeboards.

RESOLVED:-

The payments were agreed and signed with total agenda expenditure of £8,987.65.

1718/C/082: To consider a report relating to the future staffing arrangements of the Parish Council

Members had been circulated with a report detailing the main work tasks of the Clerk and the ever increasing workload. It was agreed that there were a number of tasks that could be performed by an assistant, resulting in more efficient and effective use of public funds.

RESOLVED:-

The Parish Council will employ an Assistant Clerk, the Finance and Personnel Committee is delegated to conduct a process of deciding on the salary and conditions of service, advertising, and selection of a suitable candidate as assistant to the Clerk.

1718/C/083: Clerk's Report

Members had been circulated with the full report of the Clerk.

RESOLVED:-

The report of the Clerk is noted.

1718/C/071: Matters for Information

i) Councillor Brenden Hill informed members that the finger post at the junction of Dinghurst Rd / Hillers Lane was now in place after renovation. The road works causing the closure of Stock Lane are connected to the provision of Virgin broadband fibre provision.

ii) Councillor Alan Lovell commented generally on the planning development in the

Parish and the issues being raised, and particularly on the latest and new planning application received today for up to 25 houses (detail not yet on NSC website). It was agreed that the Planning & Development Strategy Committee will be formulating a response and the full council will be asked for comment at the next meeting.

iii) Councillor Dev Clutterbuck raised the issue of the ever increasing congestion and danger to vehicular traffic and pedestrians caused by the parking situation in Church Lane. Councillor Simon Hegarty as the appointed liaison with Churchill Academy will be asked to raise the matter again with the academy and emphasise that the academy should find an early solution.

iv) Councillor Simon Glanfield asked the Clerk to inform the NSC area officer of tree branches overhanging and obscuring a road sign on the A38.

v) Councillor Jackie Bush asked that the mobile speed sign be sited in Dinghurst Road asap, as she had received complaints from residents. Councillor Brenden Hill will endeavour to meet this request but explained the issues with the safe siting of the sign in that road.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9.21pm.

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