

## **CHURCHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 7.30 pm in Churchill Community Club, Ladymead Lane Churchill.

### **COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

Councillor Brenden Hill	Councillor Trudy Silverton
Councillor Sue List	Councillor Bill Carruthers
Councillor Jackie Bush	Councillor Dev Clutterbuck
Councillor Alan Lovell	Councillor David Hurst
Councillor Simon Hegarty	

**Other Attendees** – Clerk Aleana Baird, District Councillor Liz Wells, Martin Dolton (new Clerk) and 10 members of the public.

### **15/16.153 Apologies- to receive apologies from Councillors for non-attendance.**

Apologies had been received from Councillor Simon Glanfield, Graham Fortune and Sue List.

Chair Jackie Bush read a letter of resignation from Vice Chair Alan Brown. Members were very sorry to hear of his decision as he had served the Parish with dedication, working tirelessly since he joined the Council in 1993 and his departure was a huge loss to the Council.

### **15/16.154 Declarations of interest: To receive alteration/amendments to the register of interests: To receive declarations of interest on agenda items.**

**NONE.**

### **15/16.155 To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016.**

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016 were confirmed by those present as a correct record and signed.

### **15/16.156 Public Participation.**

A member of the public spoke regarding the closure of the A38 end of Says Lane, the Parish Council has already asked for the closure as part of the Warwick Associates highways report and the 106 request. It was a serious safety concern due to poor visibility when emerging onto the A38, difficult access both into and from the narrow lane, with cars unable to enter the lane when vehicles were waiting to come out from it, leading to stationary vehicles queuing to go in or worse having to reverse back out if a large vehicle is in the lane. The residents of Says Lane all supported the closure even though it meant they had to go a longer way round. The Council would continue to pursue the closure.

The disappointment residents felt following the approval of the Says Lane and how they felt as a community completely ignored was voiced by other members of the public and Councillors also felt the same. Councillors would raise objection and challenge the apparent access facility to the adjacent field to the A38/Says Lane development at the Reserved Matters. Members of the public were urged to give their views on the site allocation plan.

A resident spoke against application 16/P/0476/F due to the overbearing impact it would have on his property.

A presentation of a proposal for a development site off Front Street next to Barrowfield Cottage for eight dwellings was given. A short discussion ensued including ratio of rented dwellings.

### **15/16.157 To receive report from District Councillor.**

District Councillor Wells reported that the Stoney Lane enforcement investigation was in progress and an enforcement issue had been reported regarding the removal of hedging trees on a Churchill Green site. The Little Court extension for the period of time that demolish must take place had been approved

but a condition would state that it must be demolished in two years time from the approval notice.

### **15/16.158 Parish Liaison Officer Report.**

There were signs on Dinghurst Road that had been hit and were facing the wrong way. The sign on the junction of Front Street and Church Lane had gone missing.

### **15/16.159 Planning**

#### **To Receive Planning Decision Notices and Information**

##### **Planning approval decision notices.**

i) 16/P/0081/F – Mrs K Alsop, Wyndhurst Cottage, Langford Road, Langford, Bristol, BS40 5HY. Changes to porch extension approved in 15/P/1276/F.

ii) 15/P/2059/F – Mr P Ferguson, Land at Oaklands Business Park, Pudding Pie Lane, Langford, BS40 5EL. Erection of a two storey dwelling adjacent to B1 offices to form a courtyard development.

Councillor Valerie Langley agreed to look at applications on today's register, 16/P/0595/LB & 16/P/0596/F.

#### **Matters for decision regarding development in the Parish.**

To receive an update regarding the outcome of the Says Lane application at P&R Committee 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016 and any further actions required.

Further to discussion members wished to amend the Says Lane 106 request and Councillors were very frustrated by the voting at the P&R meeting with District Councillors voting for the Says Lane application even though they had complained about development in their own villages and our District Councillor had voted against development in the other villages i.e. Yatton.

The land allocated for community use on the PPL 1 site required clarity of use for Alder King. A number of suggestions were made including minibus society garage, community and sports use. The use of it as an infant school provision it was decided would not be very cohesive because it would create a split school site, if this was to happen it would be better accommodated on the PPL2 site as it was directly opposite the existing school site. It was decided to urge that it be kept for a community or recreational use and as open use as possible to allow time to properly formulate the best use of the space.

The Site Allocation Plan consultation has commenced, as Councillors Bill Carruthers and David Hurst attended the parish briefing they agreed to draft comments and circulate to members.

The Clerk was asked to clarify if a time had been set for carrying out the drainage tests on PPL1 as part of the conditions on the decision notice.

#### **Planning Applications**

i) 16/P/0415/F – Churchill Academy & Sixth Form, Churchill Green, BS255QN. Erection of a new business studies and IT block.

**RESOLVED:** to recommend supporting application 16/P/0415/F. Councillors considered the new building to be an improvement to the school's facilities.

ii) 16/P/0398/F – Mr Purnell, Thornburgh, New Road, Churchill, BS255NW. Erection of a single storey side/rear extension.

**RESOLVED:** to recommend supporting application 16/P/0398/F. The application was identical to one that had previously been approved.

iii) 16/P/0476/F – Mrs K James, Hill View, 6, Stock Lane, Langford, BS405HZ. Single storey side & rear extension and loft conversion.

**RESOLVED:** to recommend **NOT** supporting application 16/P/0476/F.

Councillors considered the proposal had a detrimental impact in terms of overlooking adjacent properties. The roof line was considerably higher than that of the existing bungalows and therefore seemed overbearing; in particular as it was in the centre of the row of bungalows rather than at the end it also appeared an oddity within the street scene.

**iv) 16/P/0527/F & 16/P/0526/LB – Mr & Mrs Seabright, Yew Tree Barn, Bath Road, Langford, BS40 5DL.**

Installation of 4no. solar thermal hot water system panels on the rear west facing roof.

**RESOLVED:** to recommend supporting application 16/P/0527/F & 16/P/0526/LB.

The panels could not be seen by neighbouring properties or from Bath Road. There were no objections at the time the Parish Council considered the application.

**v) 16/P/0562/F – Mr & Mrs Chaplin, The Farm Cottage, Yew Tree Farm, Duck Lane, Langford, BS40 5EY.** Retrospective application for the conversion of the former stables and farm cottage into 1no. self-contained residential dwelling to include raising the roof height of the cottage and installation of 3no rooflights to the east elevation of both the cottage.

**RESOLVED:** to recommend supporting application 16/P/0562/F.

**15/16.160 To review and consider any amendments to the Emergency & Crisis Management Plan and Risk Assessment Table prior to considering re-adoption.**

**RESOLVED:** to re-adopt the Emergency & Crisis Management Plan and Risk Assessment Table. Next review in 2018.

**Confidential item** - the public were excluded from the meeting during consideration of the next agenda item 8 due to the confidential nature of the business (setting the Clerk's salary).

**15/16.161 To appoint the new Clerk & RFO.**

Chair Jackie Bush outlined the process of selection for appointing the Clerk.

**RESOLVED:** to appoint Martin Dolton as Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to the Council his salary was also agreed.

**15/16.162 To consider the arrangements for the Parish phone.**

A contract mobile phone that took account of the best value for parishioners should be sought. The Clerk would action with newly appointed Clerk.

**15/16.163 To consider re-newing the membership to ALCA.**

**RESOLVED:** to renew the membership of ALCA.

**15/16.164 Accounts.**

**To receive and confirm the payments for March 2016.**

**RESOLVED:** The payments were agreed and signed with total agenda expenditure of £7,039.82 + late additional payments as below.

**\*\*\* NOTE** the Clerk had written 1 cheque for invoices not on the agenda that had arrived between the publishing of the agenda and the meeting. 1 to Back 2 Front Landscaping Ltd £150 for Doleberrow ditch work. Final total of payments £7,193.57. It was also to be noted that the £22.50 on agenda for Churchill

Memorial Hall was an error it was infact £26.25. The payment to P Baird was a payment to the Clerk's husband for reconnecting the burial ground lantern.

**15/16.165 Clerk's Report**

i) A meeting with Burrington Parish Council needed to be rescheduled. It was agreed to offer Monday June 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm at the Langford Inn. The Clerk would make arrangements.

**15/16.166 Matters for Information**

- i) Councillors Alan Lovell, David Hurst and Simon Hegerty all expressed their disillusionment with what had happened with the developments and maybe considering their future positions. Councillor Bill Carruthers highlighted the importance of lobbying the conservative councillors.
- ii) Councillor Trudy Silverton was still receiving complaints about the HGV parking issue in Stockmead. The Clerk would speak to the Police again.
- iii) Councillor Valerie Langley raised flooding at the traffic lights by Jews Lane. The Clerk advised it was a collapsed water pipe.

**Meeting closed 9.55 pm.**

**CHAIRMAN.....**

**DATE.....**