

CHURCHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12th October 2015 at 7.30 pm in War Memorial Hall, Ladymead Lane Churchill.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Councillor Brenden Hill	Councillor Trudy Silverton
Councillor Sue List	Councillor David Hurst
Councillor Jackie Bush	Councillor Simon Glanfield
Councillor Alan Lovell	Councillor Valerie Langley
Councillor Simon Hegarty	Councillor Alan Brown.
Councillor Bill Carruthers	

Other Attendees – Clerk Aleana Baird, District Councillor Liz Wells and 3 members of the public.

15/16.077 Apologies- to receive apologies from Councillors for non-attendance.

Apologies had been received from Councillors Dev Clutterbuck, Graham Fortune.

15/16.078 Declarations of interest: To receive alteration/amendments to the register of interests: To receive declarations of interest on agenda items.

Councillor Jackie Bush declared a non-disclosable interest in application 15/P/2180/F, 15/P/2159/F and 15/P/2060/F as she was a neighbour, though she had not been informed of the applications by North Somerset Council.

15/16.079 To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14th September 2015.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 14th September 2015 were confirmed by those present as a correct record and signed.

***** Councillor David Hurst requested that the Doctors Lease be included as a rolling item on future agenda's.**

15/16.080 Public Participation.

A resident spoke in support of agenda item 8 for the extension of the pavement from Skinners Lane to the existing footway on New Road.

A resident spoke of the issues and concerns regarding application 15/P/2059/F & 15/P/2060/F. These were regarding loss of privacy through overlooking, the very close proximity of the wall of the new dwelling to their property, the impact of noise during construction and damage and wear to the private road.

A resident of Says Lane spoke about the present position surrounding the Core Strategy and how it may affect the planning applications in Churchill. The drainage, removal of hedging, visual impact on the AONB and highways were the key areas to fight the Says Lane application rather than CS32 due to the uncertainty surrounding how much weight it may be given. Further to discussion District Councillor Liz Wells was asked to apply pressure on NSC on behalf of the Parish to ensure these key areas are fully mitigated before any outline decision is considered. The Clerk was asked to source a drainage consultant and enquire about availability and cost and to send out comments on both applications to the press.

***** Councillor David Hurst left the meeting to speak to a member of the public; he returned shortly & prior to planning agenda item 6 commencing.**

15/16.081 To receive report from District Councillor.

Discussion was mostly covered under 15/16.080 above. The work pressure of the Planning Enforcement Team was mentioned.

15/16.082 Parish Liaison Officer Report.

NONE

15/16.083 Planning

To Receive Planning Decision Notices and Information

NONE

Matters for decision regarding development in the Parish.

NONE

Planning Applications

i) 15/P/2059/F – Mr 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.

RESOLVED: to recommend NOT supporting application 15/P/2059/F. The proposed two storey dwelling was not in keeping with the existing buildings in terms of size and materials. It did not blend well with the single storey court yard design development and was also outside the settlement boundary.

ii) 15/P/2060/F – Oaklands Partnership, Oaklands Business Park, Pudding Pie Lane, Langford, BS40 5EL. Change of use from 3no B1 offices to 2 dwellings to include the erection of conservatories to north & west elevations.

RESOLVED: to recommend NOT supporting application 15/P/2060/F. Councillors concluded that although they appreciate the pressure on housing numbers they must still operate within local plan policies and with their Neighbourhood Plan still at the earliest stage they cannot support a proposal that is outside the settlement boundary.

iii) 15/P/2180/F – Mr Pearson, Jubilee House, Jubilee Lane Langford, BS40 5EJ. Alterations to roof over existing bedroom on the front elevation.

RESOLVED: to recommend supporting application 15/P/2180/F. The proposal was an improvement to property and had no negative impact on the street scene and the location was such that there was no impact neighbours.

iv) 15/P/2192/MMA – Mrs J Sacoff, Brooks House, Churchill Green, Churchill, BS25 5QH. Minor material amendment to planning permission 11/P/0002/F (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling) to allow the construction of a rear extension and alterations to windows and doors.

RESOLVED: to recommend supporting application 15/P/2192/MMA. The minor amendment was considered to be appropriate and proportionate.

***** At this point in the meeting Councillor Simon Glanfield left the meeting (due to work commitments).**

15/16.084 To discuss the actions following the traffic surveys carried out by North Somerset Council.

Further to discussion it concluded that the surveys were to form part of the Neighbourhood Plan and also as possible evidence to support 106 requests.

15/16.085 To consider supporting 50% of the cost of installing a pavement from Skinners Lane to join the existing pavement on that side of the road.

The Council were very impressed with the initiative shown by the resident in securing a commitment for 50% funding from the Airport Community Fund. However members felt that they were unable to support the request for the additional 50% required primarily due to there being existing higher priority projects. In addition the poor rating in the highways feasibility study (2013), no further evidence of highways support and if residents wished to walk towards Churchill Rocks they would still have to cross the A38. Councillors asked the Clerk to convey this to the resident by letter. Councillor Brenden Hill agreed to hand deliver.

15/16.086 To agree the transfer of £1,200 from general reserves to Account 3 (Allotments) to cover water installation.

RESOLVED: that £1,200 be transferred to Account 3 to cover water installation cost.

15/16.087 To consider and agree new Terms of Reference for the Open Spaces & Allotments Committee and to confirm the Terms of Reference for the other Committees.

RESOLVED: that all the Terms of Reference were agreed and adopted.

15/16.088 To consider quotes for the repair of the Hilliers Lane and Lower Langford fingerposts.

RESOLVED: to accept the quote from Cerdic Foundries of £1,149.20 inc vat

15/16.089 Accounts.

To receive and confirm the payments for October 2015.

RESOLVED: The payments were agreed and signed with total expenditure of £3,418.23

***** Councillor Brenden Hill left the meeting.**

15/16.090 Clerk's Report

- i) The Clerk enquired about progress with the 106 request. The development working group needed a blank form and the work former Councillor Neville Lee had done. The Clerk would send these to group members.
- ii) The Tower was at the final proof stage and the Clerk hoped to have it out to Councillors week commencing 19th October.
- iii) The Clerk reminded members she would be away at the National Conference from Wednesday (14th Oct) till Saturday. She was taking a day's annual leave for the other Parish she worked for in order to attend on behalf of Churchill and this was in order to fulfil the CPD (Continuous Professional Development) requirements for attaining 'Quality' status under the Local Council Award Scheme. Members asked her to log her hours over the conference for the next Finance Committee to review.
- iv) The Xmas dinner was provisionally booked for 4th Dec at Lyncombe Lodge

15/16.091 Matters for Information

- i) Councillor Bill Carruthers had circulated a report to members about a meeting he had attended with Touts and North Somerset Council Planning & Highways Officers. There were amended plans for parking arrangements due in and he was hopeful that a better solution to the present arrangements would be forthcoming.
- ii) Councillor Alan Lovell apologised for the slow progress to date with the Neighbourhood Plan due to circumstances beyond his control. He expected in another 2/3 weeks he would

be able to dedicate more time to progressing the plan and if members know of any interested parties then please pass his details to them. The Clerk had included this again in the Tower that was due out.

iii) Councillor David Hurst highlighted the mess the Strawberry Line was in as a result of the solar farm construction. He was unable to attend the next Strawberry Line meeting to raise this, however Councillor Valerie Langley kindly agreed to attend in his place. It was 11th November the time and venue details were to be liaised upon.

iv) Councillor Valerie Langley had attended the ALCA annual general meeting and gave a brief outline of topic subjects.

v) Councillor Jackie Bush had been invited to attend 'Any Questions' radio show to be held 6th November at Churchill Academy. She asked if anyone wished to join her. Councillors Simon Hegerty and Valerie Langley would advise by the next day.

Meeting closed 9.55 pm.

CHAIRMAN.....

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