

**MINUTES OF WHITCHURCH VILLAGE COUNCIL ORDINARY PARISH MEETING
HELD IN WVCA HALL ON WEDNESDAY 2nd JANUARY 2019**

Present: Cllrs: R Chandler, M Donovan, M Dury, M Godwin, T Griffin, N Kirk, P O'Leary, J Pearce, V Perry,
District Cllr Paul May, Mrs S Dyer (Clerk) Mrs M Watts (Assistant Clerk)

**2019/132 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL AND RECEIVED THE
CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

The Clerk read out the Chairman's Role and after discussing the role and all Councillors agreeing to step up and help when needed, it was proposed by M Dury, seconded by P O'Leary and agreed by all other members that Nick Kirk is elected as Chairman. He then signed the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

2019/133 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Christmas trees will be taken down and cut up for recycling on Weds 9th January if anyone is available to help.

A Councillor said he has received lots of comments this year from residents on how nice the Christmas lights looked.

Several Councillors reported drains blocked in different locations around the village, these will be reported to B&NES.

It was also reported by several Councillors that the kerb on the new pavement opposite the Bellway site is too high. One car has already hit the kerb causing damage to its tyre. The Clerk will report this with the suggestion some warning signs/lighting is put up in this area.

2019/134 RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Clerk gave apologies for Cllr C Lewis who was unable to attend due to family commitments, this apology was agreed by all present.

**2019/135 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS UNDER
WHITCHURCH VILLAGE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT
(ADOPTED ON 7th NOVEMBER 2012)**

None received.

**2019/136 TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND GRANT ANY DISPENSATIONS
(FOR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS)**

None received.

**2019/137 CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY VILLAGE COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 5th DECEMBER 2018**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2018, previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting, by N Kirk (Chairman)

2019/138 TO RECEIVE ANY UPDATES ON THE COUNCILLOR VACANCY

No applications have been received to date, it was resolved that the Clerk will alter the advert slightly, this will then be put on Facebook. The closing date for applications is 16th January 2019.

2019/139 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

Judging took place on Wednesday 12th December, it was agreed that many residents made a huge effort again this year, letters were sent to those who did not win thanking them for this and helping to make the village look so festive again this year.

There were so many fantastic displays to choose from, but after careful consideration this year's winners were:-

Best House – Martin Squires, Blackacre Best Business – Smartmove, Bristol Road

2019/140 PLANNING AND TRAFFIC

a) To note the current Planning Application list.

The current Planning application listed in Appendix A, previously circulated to all Councillors was noted.

b) To agree a response to the B&NES Local Plan, JSP consultations and receive any further updates on this

Jon Medlin has drawn up two responses on behalf of the Village Council for the two consultations, the JSP & B&NES Local Plan, copies of these were circulated to all Councillors. The content of the excellent responses were agreed and these will now be sent off.

It was agreed that the Clerk will draw up a notice reminding residents that the closing date for their responses is Monday 7th January 2019 and giving them the link again.

This will then be placed on the website, Facebook and next-door.

Paul May has completed his response and will send it to the Clerk to be circulated to all Councillors. He explained that the Joint Transport Plan will be consulted on separately, this was due to start in January but has been deferred at present.

R Chandler left the meeting at 8.35pm.

c) To receive a report on CiL training

A report on this training attended by the Clerk & Cllr N Kirk had previously been circulated, this was noted. Several items were discussed further, Jon Medlin has been asked to look into other planning application for new dwellings built since CiL payments came in, to see if there are further funds due to the Village Council. Funds are being received from the developments on the Horseworld sites. A list of priorities for funding should be drawn up, Paul May advised that there is a list in the Neighbourhood Plan document which can be used.

2019/141 CLERKS REPORT

Correspondence

A note of thanks has been received from The Children's Hospital 'Grand Appeal', for the 150.00 sent to them from the collection at the Christmas Lights 'switch on'. A total of 250.00 was raised in 2018 for this charity.

A letter has been received from the Whitchurch Village Short Mat Bowls Club, stating that due to further research and its members not being prepared to commit to the maintenance of a defibrillator, they would like to withdraw their request for financial assistance to purchase one.

Avon & Somerset Police Winter 2018 newsletter has been received.

Meetings

There will be a Playfield, Cemetery & Allotment Committee meeting on Weds 16th January 2019 & a Finance Committee meeting on Weds 30th January 2019.

There is a B&NES Area Group meeting at Saltford Hall on Weds 16th January at 7.30pm. An invitation has been received from the Chair of B&NES Council, Karen Walker to an event to mark Holocaust Memorial Day on Thursday 24th January, 5.30pm start, followed by refreshments in the Chairman's Room, Guildhall, Bath.

Western Power Distribution are holding their Stakeholder Workshop at Bristol Pavilion on 6th February from 9.15am.

2019/142 ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR PAUL MAY BANES

Paul May explained that there have been thousands of comments received on the Bath Clean Air Zone consultation and these are now being looked at. Trying to balance the B&NES Council budget is ongoing. He has postponed the public meeting in the British Legion regarding the Joint Transport Plan as the consultation on this has been deferred at present. He has contacted District Councillors, Tim Kent – Hengrove and Graham Morris – Stockwood, whose constituent's are also concerned about the proposed new road. He offered to check on when 25% of CiL payments are paid to the Village Council when/if you have a Neighbourhood Plan.

2019/143 FIELD CEMETERY & COMMUNITY GARDENS (ALLOTMENTS)

a) To Grant Exclusive Rights of Burial

Kathleen Pope Plot No. G331 Deed No.1399
(Ref: Alfred Charles Pope)

Janet Worlock Plot No. F128 Deed No.1400
(Ref: Brian Frederick Worlock)

Paolo Rizzo Plot No. G332 Deed No.1401
(Ref: Salvatore Rizzo)

M Dury proposed, M Godwin seconded and the meeting duly passed the Exclusive Rights of Burial.

Paul May left the meeting at 9.10pm.

b) To receive an update of the allotments

There are now five allotment plots available, as several plot holders have recently given up their plots. One resident is on the waiting list and will be shown the plots in the next few weeks, the others will need to be advertised. It was suggested the school is asked if they would like a plot due to the building work being carried out on their site at present.

c) To appoint a Councillor onto the Field/Cemetery/Allotment committee

Due to the recent retirement of a Councillor there is a vacancy on the above committee. It was resolved that Matt Donovan is appointed to this committee.

d) To discuss and agree the way forward with the S106 funds to be spent on enhancing the Playpark

This item was discussed with many different ideas being put forward. It was agreed that the first thing required is to consult with the community/school etc. The Clerk will speak to other Councils who have just updated or created new Playparks to see how they went about this, so that this can then be discussed further at the February meeting.

2019/144 FINANCE

a) To note and agree the payment of accounts for January 2019

It was resolved the schedule of payments dated 2nd January 2019, as listed in Appendix B be paid.

The meeting ended at 9.30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th February 2019

**Appendix A
PLANNING APPLICATION LIST – 2nd JANUARY 2019
APPLICATIONS**

12/02/2018
18/00521/FUL

Mr Jan Birenat
18 Churchways, Whitchurch, BS14 0PL
Erection of 1no. attached dwelling to no.18
OBJECT – The increased use of the cul-de-sac turning head together with the generation of additional conflicting traffic movements, resulting from the proposed development, would be prejudicial to road safety.
Reason: Contrary to Policy T.24 of the BANES Local Plan
APPEAL REF: APP/F0114/W/18/3213565

12/11/2018

04/09/18
18/03703/FUL

Persimmon Homes
Land Rear of 7 & 8 Staunton Way, Whitchurch
Erection of four two storey dwellings
We note that the Bat activity report & Reptile survey were carried out in November 2014, which is four years ago, these should be updated and subject to nothing detrimental being raised, we have no objections to this application. In view of the existing planning permission, which has lapsed due to development not taking place within the agreed timescale, we would ask that a condition is added that if the site is not developed straight away the land is cleared and fencing erected as soon as possible.

21/12/18
18/05105/FUL

Mr Jan Birenat
Avon Accident Repair Garage, Staunton Lane, BS14 0QL
Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 8no. dwellings (including 2no affordable housing units) with associated soft/hard landscape works, access improvements, parking and drainage.

RESULTS

24/10/2018
18/04717/FUL

Mr & Mrs Michael Parsons
25 Churchways, Whitchurch, BS14 0PL
Replacement of existing conservatory with extension to rear of property
PERMITTED

Appendix B**MONTHLY PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS****DATE: 2nd JANUARY 2019**

D/D	British Telecom	Phone/broadband	66.14	11.02
Chq	J Pearce	Replacement chq as Chq no 004334 misplaced	363.76	
Chq	John Day	Electricity – Xmas lights	60.00	
Chq	Various	Salaries, postage, stationery, travel expenses, prizes	1,532.20	
Chq	WVCA	Rent & meetings December	207.00	
Chq	B&NES Council	Pension Fund	370.94	
Chq	H M Revenue Customs	Paye & NIC December	269.88	
Chq	Your Solutions	Maintenance	236.00	
Chq	GB Sport/Leisure	Inspection report	48.00	8.00
Chq	Martin Francis	Website updates	129.50	
Chq	All Tree Services	Tree survey	180.00	30.00
Chq	SLCC	Regional Training Seminar	141.00	23.50
Chq	Mr G Williams	Refund allotment key deposit	10.00	
Chq	Mr B Williams	Refund allotment key deposit	10.00	
Chq	SLCC	Membership	175.00	
Chq	Blachere	Christmas lights	1,261.20	210.20
Chq	Mr K Stout	Hedge cutting	250.00	
		Total Payments	£5,310.62	£282.72