

**MINUTES OF WHITCHURCH VILLAGE COUNCIL ORDINARY PARISH MEETING
HELD IN THE WVCA HALL ON WEDNESDAY 10th May 2023**

Present: Cllrs M Dury (Vice-Chairman), S Bangham, S Bryant, R Chandler, J Fox-Bowen, C Lewis, P O'Leary, V Perry, S Dyer (Clerk), District Councillor Paul May (B&NES) & one member of the public.

2023/01 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of public stated that everyone enjoyed themselves at the Coronation event and he would like to thank all those involved with making this such a memorable occasion. Several Councillors reported that there have recently been issues with youths on motorbikes on the cycle path and in Orchard Park intimidating residents, stealing plants and generally using unsocial behaviour towards people. Residents have reported them to the Police and it was agreed that the Clerk will also speak to the local PCSO's regarding these issues.

2023/02 RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Clerk gave apologies for Councillors N Kirk & P Orchard these apologies and the reasons for not attending, were accepted by all present.

2023/03 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS UNDER WHITCHURCH VILLAGE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT (ADOPTED ON 7th NOVEMBER 2012)

None received.

**2023/04 TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND GRANT ANY DISPENSATIONS
(FOR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS)**

None received.

**2023/05 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY VILLAGE COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 5th APRIL 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th April 2023, previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting, by M Dury - Chairman.

2023/06 TO NOTE THE VACANT COUNCILLOR SEAT FOLLOWING THE ELECTION

Ten Councillors have been elected to serve on the Village Council for the next four years, which means there is one vacant seat. This will be advertised on the noticeboard, website & Facebook page. Public notice for the seat following an election is not required and the co-option process should not be any more onerous for the candidate than getting themselves elected.

2023/07 TO RECEIVE ANY FEEDBACK ON THE KINGS CORONATION EVENT

The Chairman thanked all the volunteers, Councillors and others who helped with the Coronation event, especially the Clerk – Sue Dyer & Assistant - Jane Dury for all the work they put in before the actual day to ensure the event was such a success.

All residents seemed to enjoy themselves and several messages of appreciation have been received.

The representatives from the 107th Bristol (Whitchurch) Scouts were extremely helpful, the remaining mugs and certificates will be given to them.

Councillors would like to arrange an event like this every couple of years for residents to enjoy.

2023/08 TO REVIEW AND AGREE CHANGES TO THE WHITCHURCH VILLAGE ACTION PLAN

The Plan was reviewed, brought up to date and several other changes made. It was also agreed that the Specific Actions for 2023-2024 are amended and more will be added when further CiL fund spending has been agreed.

2023/09 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE FIBRE TELEPHONE/BROADBAND INSTALLATION

The Clerk gave an update, fibre was due to be installed on 24th April but there were issues with the installation. Open reach planners now need to be involved to agree how the installation will go ahead, which could take a few months. The phone/broadband bill for this month has now been increased as though we do not have a contract and on querying this BT state they cannot rectify this until the fibre is installed.

It was resolved to wait until the next meeting to give a further update on this and then make a decision on the way forward.

2023/10 PLANNING & TRAFFIC

a) To note the current Planning Application list.

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

2023/11 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reminded everyone that part of Staunton Lane will be closed from Saturday 20th May, it is anticipated for 2 days but could be a maximum of 4 days, for Bristol Water to replace lead water service in this area.

The Certificate of Lawfulness application for Stable & Paddock, Hursley Hill, land and stables used for the grazing and keeping of horses has been granted by B&NES Council. The questionnaire for the Neighbourhood Plan update has been delivered to all households in the Village by Whitchurch Village Action Group for completion and return to them.

The Millennium Garden needs tidying in preparation for summer planting and the bunting taken down. It was resolved to carry this out on Friday 19th May at 10.a.m.

The Chairman welcomed Paul May to the meeting.

2023/12 ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR PAUL MAY BANES

Paul explained that he has been voted in again as District Councillor, The Liberal Democrats received 70% of the votes and will therefore run B&NES Council again. Paul stated he will continue to work on behalf of the village on issues including the A37 crossing, speed of traffic in Staunton Lane, Maggs Lane, A37 outside Whitchurch Primary School & the Horseworld site. He stated that there were plans for a Park & Ride within Whitchurch Village but he has campaigned for smaller hubs along the A37 instead.

2023/13 FIELD, CEMETERY & COMMUNITY GARDENS (ALLOTMENTS)

a) To Grant Exclusive Rights of Burial

None this month.

2023/14 FINANCE

a) To note and ratify the payment of accounts dated 3rd May 2023

The schedule of payments dated 3rd May 2023, as listed in Appendix B were noted and agreed, Cllrs S Bangham & P O'Leary authorised the online payments.

The meeting ended at 9.20.p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th June 2023

Appendix A APPLICATIONS

25/01/2023
22/04997/FUL

Mr Jordan Franklin
Vans 365 Wilmin, Staunton Lane, Whitchurch, BS14 0QL
Erection of a 4 bed,7 person dwelling on land adjacent/between
Wilmin & The Elms, Staunton Lane, to follow removal of existing
caravan and demolition of existing garage and lean-to-structure.
NO COMMENT

10/03/2023
23/00933/FUL

Mr Stuart Dalton
Elmhurst, Woollard Lane, Whitchurch, Bristol, BS14 0QR
Erection of single storey extension to the rear.
SUPPORT - this application if the extension is within the percentage
increase allowed on properties within the Green Belt.

15/03/2023
23/00782/FUL

RCIH Developments
18 Churchways, Whitchurch, BS14 0PL
Proposed attached self-contained dwelling house
OBJECT - The increased use of the cul-de-sac turning head
together with the generation of conflicting traffic movements,
resulting from the proposed development, would be prejudicial to
highway safety. Contrary to Policy T.24 of the BANES Local Plan.

18/04/2023
23/01381/TPO

Dobunni Close Management Co
Street record Dobunni Close, Whitchurch
T1 Oak – Crown lift to 2m
SUPPORT

RESULTS

19/10/2022
22/04117/FUL

Mr Smart
Tynning House, Hursley Hill, Whitchurch, Bristol, BS14 0QZ
Erection of detached dwelling following demolition of existing HMO
property (Resubmission).
SUPPORT this application - the square footage meets the following
NPPF requirement of buildings in the Green Belt.
'the replacement of a building, provided the new building is in the
same use and not materially larger than the one it replaces'.
There should be a condition made that the existing building is
demolished before the new dwelling is built and all
recommendations made by B&NES Highways should be met.

19/04/2023

PERMITTED with 18 conditions

07/03/2023
23/008581/CDCOU

Parkstone Estates
89 Bristol Road, Whitchurch, Bristol, BS14 0PS
Prior approval request for change of use from retail space
(Use Class E) to No. 1 self-contained one bedroom residential flat
(Use Class C3)

OBJECT - It will be another employment opportunity lost and is
against Policy WV 1.5 - Retain employment in the village of the
WVNP.

25/04/2023

APPROVE

Appendix B

MONTHLY PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS			DATE: 3 rd MAY 2023	
D/D	British Telecom	Phone/broadband	71.95	11.99
D/D	Water business	Water @ allotment site	4.74	
D/D	Water business	Water @ cemetery	9.38	
D/D	SSE	Electric Clock – April	43.72	2.08
BT	Various	Salaries, stationery, mileage, allotment keys, Kings Coronation event	2,577.48	
BT	Mrs S Bryant	Kings Coronation	18.50	
BT	WVCA	Rent & meetings – April	198.00	
BT	Your Solution	Maintenance	1,182.00	
BT	B&NES Council	Pension Fund	435.86	
BT	H M Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NIC April	311.17	
BT	All Tree Services	Annual tree inspection	342.00	57.00
BT	Kn Office supplies	Stationery	53.41	8.90
BT	Blachere	Hire Christmas lights	1,034.11	172.35
BT	Avon Local Councils' Association	Annual subscription	477.62	
Total Payments			£6,759.94	£252.32