

# CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at**  
7.30pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017, St Barnabas Church, Temple Cloud  
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**PRESENT:** T Hemmings, A Hooper (Chairman), M Musins, J Sebright, J Swift and T Turner.  
**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE** J Howell (Clerk) and five members of the public.

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from J Cockerham and accepted.

## 2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Members of the public were welcomed to the meeting and invited to raise issues or matters of interest, items were noted.

## 3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were none.

## 4. DAVID WILSON HOMES UPDATE

Technical Manager of David Wilson Homes, Jeremy Johnson attended the meeting to provide an update on developments at the Temple Inn Lane site.

The site is now on schedule and have caught up on lost time. The show homes and sales office are expected to be open during mid-February 2017. The homes are expected to be occupied through May, June and July 2017.

David Wilson Homes have identified unanticipated work to access the mains water supply on the opposite side of the road to the development on Temple Inn Lane. It is expected that work will be undertaken to half of the road at a time resulting in the need for some form of traffic management system – most likely traffic lights or a stop and go board. This may cause some disruption. The Parish Council have asked for notice in order to keep parishioners apprised. Updates will be published on the Parish Council website and Facebook page.

Jeremy Johnson stated that landscaping work on the northern boundary is required and will report back in a week. Ten of the thirteen houses offered window cleaning have now responded to the offer. A window cleaner has been appointed and the 1<sup>st</sup> date will be arranged within a week with an anticipated start date of three to four weeks' time.

Councillors asked about sales interest. The site is being marketed from the Keynsham site. A Councillor asked about any future plans for development on adjacent land. Jeremy Johnson stated that this phase was the only phase he was aware of.

Jeremy Johnson praised Site Manager Paul Caseley for his running of the site.

Members of the public were then invited to ask questions. One resident asked about access through to Meadway. Jeremy Johnson stated that there is a planning obligation for an archway to be built. The Chairman thanked Jeremy Johnson for attending and for the ongoing communication with the Parish Council. He asked that thanks to be passed to Site Manager Paul Caseley and his men for the assistance provided with the Christmas Tree.

## RESOLVED:

- That the Clerk will pass contact details for Red Oak Taverns to Jeremy Johnson for contact to be made between the two sites.
- That the Clerk will set the welcome pack as an agenda item for the February meeting.
- That Jeremy Johnson will determine whether any of the houses are reserved or sold and report back; keep the Clerk updated regarding: any works to access the mains water supply on Temple Inn Lane and the landscaping work on the northern boundary so that parishioners can be informed.

## 5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting dated 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016 were approved.

## 6. CLERKS REPORT

The Clerks report had previously been circulated and questions invited. There were none.

## 7. FOOTBALL AGREEMENT

The Football Agreement has been sent to Natalie Parfitt. At present a signed copy has not been returned as the club are waiting for the next committee meeting. A request for insurance documentation has been made.

#### 8. 2017/18 BUDGET AND PRECEPT REQUIREMENT

A budget report including precept requirement was circulated prior to the meeting. Questions were invited and there were none.

#### RESOLVED:

That the precept request would be set at £20,250 and the 2017-18 budget be approved.

#### 9. VILLAGE HALL

A report had been circulated to the Parish Council following a meeting with Thatcher and Hallam to consider the options available to the Parish Council regarding the Village Hall and Car Park. Councillors were asked for their views.

Discussion took place around the constitution of the Village Hall, the last accounts reported to the Charity Commission and presented at the recent AGM, the Parish Council obligation surrounding the Village Hall and ensuring best use of money for the whole community. It was noted that the lease is a fully insuring and maintaining lease but that at present this obligation is not being met by the current committee. In addition the Parish Council support resurfacing the car park and installing lighting in principle. The Parish Council could consider using CIL money and would be able to reclaim VAT should they undertake and manage the project themselves.

Concerns were raised surrounding anti-social behaviour, 18<sup>th</sup> birthday parties, rubbish including nitrous oxide canisters and litter left following the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday party on New Year's Eve, possible implications for licencing and whether parties at the Village Hall were being suitably supervised.

The Chairman stated that there is an expectation within the Village that the Parish Council have something to do with the Village Hall and an obligation given that the Parish Council is the freeholder of the Hall and Car Park to make best use of the facility for everyone.

#### RESOLVED:

- That the Parish Council now wish to occupy and manage the Village Hall themselves.
- The Parish Council will write to all members of the current Village Hall Committee to state their intention and set a date of six months' notice for handover procedures to be completed unless the Village Hall Committee wish to complete a transfer sooner. In terms of the Charity status of the current committee, the charity would have served its original objective and purpose come to an end so would need to be wound up at the end of the notice period.
- The Village Hall will be run by a Parish Council led committee which can include co-opted members.

#### 10. PLANNING

Recommendations were put forward by the Planning Working Group.

#### RESOLVED:

- That the Parish Council would not object to planning application 16/06007/FUL - Paulmont Villa Paulmont Rise - Erection of a detached dwelling and garages following demolition of existing garage and new vehicular access (Resubmission).
- That the Clerk will write to B&NES Council stating that the Parish Council are part funding the school project relating to the erection of a canopy to the front elevation at Cameley CEVC Primary School – planning application 16/06039/FUL.

#### 11. PENSIONS REGULATOR

A report had been circulated to the Parish Council pension detailing the current arrangements to ensure compliance with Pensions Regulator.

#### RESOLVED:

That the Parish Council would use 'Nest' as the pension provider and the Clerk will write to all employees.

#### 12. MEMBERSHIP OF SOMERSET PLAYING FIELDS' ASSOCIATION

A report was circulated to the Parish Council detailing the role of the Somerset Playing Fields' Association and the support they offer. The Parish Council were asked to consider whether membership could be of benefit given that the Parish Council now administer and manage the Playing Fields.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Parish Council will apply for membership of the Somerset Playing Fields Association at an annual cost of £15.

**13. CORRESPONDANCE**

There has been a significant increase in crime in Temple Cloud, Clutton, Timsbury and Marksbury areas since the beginning of December 2016. Offences appear to be occurring under the cover of darkness and mostly overnight and include garage / shed breaks as well as theft from motor vehicle offences. Power tools and similar items are being targeted. It is likely that a vehicle is being used by the perpetrator in order to remove stolen items from the area.

The advice to residents is to secure garages and sheds, never leave valuables on display – including tools visible through windows and report any suspicious activity to the Police.

The Parish Council supported that a regular agenda item would be set to report on crime and also publish Neighbourhood Watch updates on the website and Facebook pages to keep residents informed.

**14. INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

The Chairman highlighted the vandalism to the Christmas Tree and lights on three separate occasions. Pete Hutchinson came out on two occasions to fix the lights. Damage to a planter was also reported to the Parish Council by Temple Cloud in Bloom. The Parish Council are disappointed that a tradition enjoyed by residents of the village as well as those passing through could be jeopardised by the actions of a few.

A Councillor offered to take the lead on collating the tender invitation for the Play Area project.

A Councillor raised street lighting between White Cross to walk to Farrington Gurney and also discussed their concerns over cuts to Youth Services by B&NES Council. These concerns are shared by the Parish Council.

It was noted that the costs of Clerk training will be split with Stowey Sutton Parish Council.

**RESOLVED:**

- That the Clerk will make enquiries with B&NES Council around the provision of lighting between White Cross and Farrington Gurney.
- That the Clerk will write to B&NES Council to raise the concerns shared by the Parish Council around cuts to Youth Services.

The meeting was concluded at 9.05pm.

**15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7.30pm at St Barnabas Church.**

Signed: ..... Date: .....