

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30pm 13th FEBRUARY 2013 IN TEMPLE CLOUD VILLAGE HALL

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## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

There were three members of the public present. A resident in Peterside reported that some dog walkers were allowing their dog(s) to foul Peterside and didn't "scoop the poop". This has been a constant problem for years and a matter that has been discussed at length previously. It was agreed that photographic evidence would be one way to help identify the culprits and aid the dog warden. The speed of motorists entering the village from the south was reported to be well in excess of 30mph. It was agreed to ask the mobile camera team for help and to approach the Local Beat Policeman about using the community speed camera. The lack of grit bins was mentioned and the Chair explained that B&NES no longer filled those bins that were still in situ and would not provide any new bins. Concern was raised about the safety of school children getting off the coach after school crossing the A37 at the Green. Similar concerns were raised about elderly persons who caught the bus to go to the doctors having problems crossing. The Parish Council were asked to raise this with B&NES – something the Clerk had already done so after the January meeting only to be told there was no budget for such a light controlled crossing. It was agreed that he would contact Chew Valley School about the situation. It was reported that the drain on A37 at its junction with Peterside still hadn't been cleared. Several residents reported that someone was staying overnight in the barn conversion at Temple Bridge – this would be reported to Planning Enforcement. Another resident asked if the Parish Council could seek clarification from B&NES about whether the Scrapyard site in Eastcourt Road was still a potential site for a travellers site. The Clerk would contact B&NES. He also queried the number of residential caravans already at the site. The latter would be investigated by a member of the Parish Council.

The business meeting opened at 7.45 pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Ms Atkinson (Chair), Mr Hooper (Vice Chair), Mrs Harvey, Mr Hemmings, Mr Hutchinson, Mrs Parfitt, Mr Welsford and the Clerk, Mr Scutt.

## **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Cllrs Mr Dando, Mr Gough, Mrs Gray and Ward Councillor Mr Warren

## **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

There were none.

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** were approved and signed.

#### 4. UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS

It was agreed that Cllr Atkinson would meet with the owner of the Scrapyard to inspect the potential allotment site and report back.

B&NES have been asked to cut hedge between Ham Close and Playing field. Highways were asked to clear blocked drain at Peterside and would be asked again.

Village operative has cut back hedge by bus stop opposite Takeaway and cleared the brambles at The Green.

Highways and Police have been informed about motorists approaching from south attempting to turn right into Eastcourt Road.

The report (plus photograph) on traffic problems in Meadway was passed to Police who have contacted School and have visited the site on several occasions.

The defibrillator battery must be replaced on a regular basis and the Clerk was asked to investigate. The Chair would find the paperwork and Cllr Gough would be asked about access to the cabinet.

#### 5. CORRESPONDENCE

The "Dial a Ride" service had written requesting the Parish Council consider a grant. This was discussed at length and whilst the PC had supported the organisation in the past the provision of the 379 bus service had made it easier to access Midsomer Norton. It was not considered appropriate to continue to support the service at this moment in time.

#### 6. VILLAGE HALL/PLAYING FIELD

The meeting was told that the inner doors for the entrance lobby were on order. The accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 were shown to the meeting and it was agreed that the Clerk would circulate on e-mail. The meeting gave Naomi Wear a vote of thanks for all her efforts in looking after the finances of the Village Hall and Playing Field.

#### 7. FINANCE:

It was proposed and agreed to pay the following:-

<b>A)</b>	<b>Payments</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>Vat</b>
(1)	Clerks wages Jan	269.54	
(2)	Sweeper wages Jan	320.59	
(3)	Garage rent Feb	33.36	6.67
(4)	Purchase Christmas Tree	90.00	
(5)	Christmas Tree Licence	36.00	
(6)	Grass-cutting 2012	750.00	150.00
(7)	The Green & Verges	325.00	
(8)	Chairman expenses	23.08	

#### **B) Payments received**

(1)	Parish Sweeper Feb	286.44
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## **8. REPORT ON PLACEMAKING WORKSHOP**

The workshop was attended by Cllr Atkinson who reported to the meeting that it was a pleasure to meet such an enthusiastic planning policy team from B&NES. The basic tenet of the workshop was to examine Placemaking plans which are nowhere as complicated and expensive as Neighbourhood plans which after all the time and money spent on them might still not see the light of day! It is B&NES intention to produce a Placemaking Plan but want the parishes to feed into it. Since Cameley Parish have done a Parish Survey they can be utilised to feed into the plan with a degree of certainty. The next step is for B&NES to write to all the parishes with details of the information they require. What was very clear was that they want something in place that is legal just in case there are further problems with the core strategy. The general consensus at the workshop was that housing development was the main issue that needed to be addressed.

Cllr Atkinson reported that the parishes of Whitchurch, Clutton and Farrington Gurney were interested in talking with Cameley about the Peacemaking plan.

## **9. PLANNING MATTERS**

The meeting was told that the Appeal (12/00091/RF) against the refusal of planning application for a building in the garden at 9 Molly Close was refused.

The Council discussed an application (13/00015/FUL) for permission to build an extension and make alteration to existing building to form carport and store, provision of surfaced driveway and erection of new gates at Stanley House, Main Road, Temple Cloud.

**10. NEXT MEETING** will be the Annual Parish Meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm followed by the Monthly Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm