

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

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Julie O'Rourke from BANES Planning Department attended the meeting and gave a short talk on the Placemaking Plan. She explained that this plan was part two of the Core Strategy which currently proposed finding sites in rural communities for 1,100 homes for the period 2011 to 2029. They were asking Parishes to identify and allocate sites for each Parishes share of future housing by the use of the Placemaking Plan which would also be able to identify sites that needed protection such as green space. This meant that once the Core Strategy was in place any further development would have to consider the Placemaking Plan first.

The Plan asked the residents to look at the character of the village - a study that would be used to ensure future development must be in balance with the existing character of the village. The Plan required groups of residents to assess various sites using a pre determined format Tool Kit. Each group must be balanced in terms of where the individuals lived e.g. no more than one member of the group should live next to the site in question.

Julie explained that the Core Strategy was expected to be passed next year probably May. Until then the N.P.P.F. was the determining factor in planning decisions.

A discussion ensued about the usefulness of a Neighbourhood Plan because if Cameley was asked to provide 50 houses under the core strategy and the development on Temple Inn Lane went ahead with 70 properties then Cameley's quota would have been filled and any Neighbourhood Plan could be considered superfluous. It was agreed that if any residents needed further guidance they could e mail Julie on Julie_orourke@bathnes.gov.uk

The Chair thanked Julie for her presentation and the meeting turned to other matters. A resident reported that the Developers of the Pub site had submitted a full Planning Application on Monday and he asked when the Parish Council would discuss it. The W.I. asked if they could put up a Noticeboard in the meeting room at the Village Hall. A resident who had seen the comments printed in the Chew Valley Gazette from P.C. Stuart Peard that the Speed Camera team had not had any major speeding problems in Temple Cloud, expressed her astonishment. A resident who lived on the A37 asked whether the Parish Council would ask B&NES to carry out an air quality test on the A37 Maria Musins told the meeting that after a recent meeting, the Residents Association had been formally set up and that she had been elected as its Chairman. She said that she looked forward to working closely with the Parish Council.

The business meeting opened at 8.05pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs Ms Atkinson (Chair), Mr Hooper (vice chair), Mrs Harvey, Mr Hemmings, Mr Hutchinson, Mr Welsford, Ward Councillor Mr Warren and the Clerk, Mr Scutt.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs Mr Dando, Mr Gough & Mrs Parfitt.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST: There were none

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

4. UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had circulated correspondence about Footpath CL 1/43 which comes off Cameley Road next to Lynleaze and heads south. The footpath is used extensively and is now extremely muddy and it could do with some work to make it safe underfoot. The Council discussed the issue and it was proposed that the Clerk would investigate the cost and viability of laying a suitable surface .

A Councillor then raised the point that although the Parish Council was responsible for keeping footpaths clear the only way it knew of any such problems was when they were reported by a member of the public. He suggested that we advertise for a volunteer who walked the footpaths to report on a more regular basis. It was proposed and agreed that the Clerk would advertise for such a person.

The Clerk had circulated an e mail from a resident who had noted that the village of Camerton had a series of planters situated throughout the village and suggested that perhaps this was an idea to be discussed for . She told the meeting that she was awaiting a response from Camerton on how their scheme worked. The idea was discussed briefly and overall the feeling was positive however it was agreed to await the outcome of the resident's research before deciding whether to proceed or not.

The clerk had circulated an invitation from Bristol Airport for any Councillor who wished to attend the open evening at the airport on 11th December.

The Clerk had circulated a letter from B&NES on proposed changes to supported bus services in 2014. The route change that will affect Temple Cloud is that of Service 768 which currently runs from Clutton via Temple Cloud and Farrington Gurney to Bath. Under the new proposals the service will no longer serve Clutton or Temple Cloud and will now start from Farrington Gurney because B&NES felt that Clutton and Temple Cloud were served by service 379. After a discussion the Parish Council agreed that they objected to the removal of service 768 from Temple Cloud because the service ran through the back streets of the village whereas the 3798 was routed along the A37. The service is used mainly by the older generation some of whom have difficulty in getting to the A37. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to B&NES objecting in the strongest possible terms.

5. VILLAGE HALL/PLAYING FIELD

There was nothing to report on the Village hall.

A Councillor suggested that the fence surrounding the play area be examined with a view to repair or replacement. It was proposed that the Clerk should investigate both options and obtain costs and report back.

6. FINANCE:

It was proposed and agreed to pay the following:-

Payments	£	Vat
(1) Clerks wages	269.53	
(2) Sweeper wages	428.49	
(3) Garage rent	36.17	7.23
(4) Purchase of Text Book	75.00	
(5) PCC Grant	500.00	
(6) Councillor expenses	15.84	

B) Payments received

(1) Parish Sweeper 292.17

7. PLANNING

The Clerk told the meeting that on Monday 11th November he had received notification that the developers had submitted a full planning application for the site of The Temple Inn in Temple Cloud. He explained that there was insufficient time to circulate and asked the meeting to agree a date to discuss the application. It was proposed and agreed to hold the meeting in the Village Hall on Wednesday 27th November at 7.30pm. He reminded residents that comments from members of the public should be submitted by post or email at least 7days before meeting to ensure all who want to comment can do so and have equal opportunity to have their view considered and that the Parish Council will not publish names/addresses of those who submit comments but they must be supplied to the Clerk. i.e. no anonymous letters will be considered. Any letters sent to BANES and published on their website will automatically be read by Parish Council so there was no need to duplicate direct to Parish Council. It was agreed that the Clerk would put up the Agenda at the weekend after the monthly meeting.

8. INTERNET ACCESS

A Councillor had received a flyer from Talk Talk offering good deals on Broadband and he wondered if this was something that could be provided for the Village Hall at the Parish Councils expense for all members of the public using the hall. The Parish Council discussed this and it was proposed and agreed that the Clerk would investigate in full consultation with Cllr Welsford who had carried out the original research.

9. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON PARISH ONLINE

Councillor Tony Hooper attended the presentation and reported that the evening was hosted by Martin Laker the Team Leader of Geography Information Systems at BANES and put on by the Ordnance Survey. In brief, the main points of the various presentations were that;- OS is an ongoing project and has 300 field surveyors, using aerial photography and a variety of other means to record and reproduce accurate maps of the whole of the UK which is important for Parishes because we can use the resources of OS without paying fees as long as we are registered. We can use their resources, particularly on our website or on information we issue. It was clear many other parishes use these services regularly now in a variety of fields; planning to planning applications, environmental impact, including flood and drainage mapping. One Parish, used it to re-route their street cleaning rota. There were some "Dont's" also articulated: Data must be protected, so put it into a PDF; it was free to use for any Councillor or their staff as long as it was for Council business; the information must not be sold and you always must acknowledge copyright. To date over 600 parishes are subscribers to Parish OnLine including Cameley Parish Council. Training would also be available via students in the Geography Department at Bath Spa. A worthwhile event on a subject that may prove a valuable tool for us as a Parish Council. Councillor Hooper reported that he was unable to access the service despite Cameley Parish being registered. It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate why access was denied.

10. TO CONSIDER PROVIDING A CHRISTMAS TREE

The provision of a Christmas Tree in the village last Christmas had been very favourably received and the Parish Council agreed to do the same again this year. Councillor Hutchinson volunteered to organise The date of December 12th was agreed for the tree to be put up. Councillor Hooper would approach the owner of the Courthouse for an electricity supply. It was also suggested that perhaps the children at the School might like to provide tree decorations and the Clerk was asked to write to the school with this suggestion.

11. PLACEMAKING PLAN

The Chair asked the Council whether they supported the Placemaking Plan and whether we as a Council should take part. After a discussion it was agreed that Cameley Parish Council would support the Plan and take part. Further discussions took place on the logistics of dates and getting the residents of the Parish involved. It was suggested that a Sunday (1st or 8th December) might be a good idea for the survey to take place however there was not much time to advertise for volunteers.

12. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Ward Councillor Tim Warren told the meeting that there was a Core Strategy meeting booked for 10th/11th/12th December to discuss housing numbers and it was expected that they would agree on the number at this meeting.

Councillor Tony Hooper reported that he had attended the welcoming party for the new vicar , Mark Creegan. It was agreed to send the new Vicar a welcome card from the Parish Council.

13. NEXT MEETING will be a planning meeting on 27th November 2013 at 7,30 pm in the village hall. The next monthly meeting will be on 11th December at 7.30pm in the village hall

The meeting closed at 9.33pm