

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30pm 8th OCTOBER 2014 IN TEMPLE CLOUD VILLAGE HALL

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There were three members of the public present.

The business meeting opened at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs Atkinson (Chair), Mr Cockerham, Mr Dando, Mr Hemmings, Mr Hutchinson, Mrs Parfitt, Mr Welsford, District Councillor Tim Warren and the Clerk, Mr Scutt.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs, Mrs Harvey and Mr Hooper.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

In response to a question from the chair the councillors present confirmed no personal interest in any item on the agenda.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were approved.

4. VLLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELD

Cllr Parfitt, in her role as chair of the Village Hall, told the meeting that now the planning application for 70 dwellings on a site on Temple Inn lane had been refused there would not be any Section 106 money available for the Parish. It meant that outstanding repairs to the changing room's roof and electrics which had been put off pending this would need to be addressed. Quotes were being sought and would be available at the next meeting.

Cllr Parfitt told the meeting that the football teams (senior and under 18) needed somewhere to train in winter and that the area in front of the village hall was perfect however there was a need for light. She had received a quote of £850 to supply and fit sufficient lighting to the outside of the hall for training. There followed a discussion that included whether there would any disruption to neighbouring houses and how many residents of Temple Cloud actually played for the teams. One Councillor suggested that if money were to spent on this then consideration should be made to improving the play area for children of residents. He was asked to come back with a proposal with costs. A vote was taken and it was agreed to grant £850 for the provision of lights with four in favour and three abstentions.

5. HIGHWAYS, FOOTPATHS and ROADSWEEEPING

The meeting had seen a memo from the Planter Group who asked whether the Parish Council would consider increasing the Village operative's hours. The Chair explained that the Parish Sweeping Agreement with B&NES was being reviewed by B&NES and until the results of this were known nothing could be agreed. The Clerk would check with the Orderly to see if he was able to increase his hours. The Planter Group suggested that since two of their group regularly walked their dogs in the Village , they were in a position to report on areas that need attention. The meeting thanked the group for this and looked forward to hearing from them in due course.

6. FINANCE: It was proposed and agreed to pay the following:-

A) Payments	£	Vat
(1) Clerks wages	269.53	
(2) Sweeper wages	428.49	
(3) Garage rent	37.97	7.59
(4) HMRC Tax J/A/S	£202.20	
(5) Deadline Accounting	£ 30.00	6.00

The following were paid as previously agreed:-

(6) Planter Group	£ 9.00
(7) Planter Group	£121.93
(8) Planter Group	£ 33.20

B) Payments received

(1) Parish Sweeper	£ 292.17
(2) Precept (50%)	£9,375.00
(3) Parish Grant	£ 915.00

It was agreed to make an ex gratia payment to Mr Parfitt of £300 in recognition of his services to the village over the years.

7. PLACEMAKING

District Councillor Warren told the meeting that Planning had surveyed the Parish and reported that only one plot in the Village was deemed suitable for development which is situated behind the Temple Inn but would be subject to creating a new access preferably on to A37. He did add that he thought other sites may well come forward. The meeting was told that the route of the proposed Temple Cloud bypass to the west of the village was no longer safeguarded and was to be removed from the plans. He reported that the Placemaking Plan was going to cabinet in November.

8. TO HEAR A REPORT ON THE A.L.C.A. MEETING ON 24TH SEPTEMBER

Cllr Atkinson attended and reported the following information that would be of interest to Cameley P.C.

- P.C. elections will be held in parallel with the General and District Council elections on 7th May 2015. There may also be an election for a Mayor of BANES.
- Reports received on Bath World Heritage site steering committee/Cotswold AONB. Nothing affecting Cameley. Mendip Hills AONB, worried about possibility of 300 fracking wells on Mendip but nothing immediate. A working group at Compton Martin have produced a full report for use in the future.
- Connecting Community meetings have been set up.
- The Parish Sweeper scheme will be reviewed by BANES in 2015. Thought is that BANES wish to extend it as it is a cheap way to get pavement cleaning done. It was confirmed that payment is calculated on linear metres to be swept.
- Nearly every Parish Council represented complained about worsening service from Planning Dept.
- Dunkerton Parish Council issued invitation for people to attend a meetings to see how paperless planning works for them. It is clear that paperless for all other P.C.s means projecting plans/applications at Parish Council meetings

presumably using Power point - not Parish Council's paying for the paper and printing.

- The Big Lottery fund may provide money for laptops/projectors so perhaps Cameley Parish Council should consider this.

9. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Cllr Atkinson told the meeting of various meetings coming up over the next month:-

- 15th October Parish Liaison Cllr Hooper
- 22nd October St. James A.G.M Brian Flower
- 27th October Police Liaison CANCELLED

Cllr Cockerham asked whether Cameley Parish Council had ever considered giving the children at the village school a gift at Christmas. The response was in the affirmative however it had never happened because not all the children at the school were residents in the village. However the Parish Council had sponsored prizes for various "competitions" and Cllr Cockerham agreed to talk to the Headmaster to see if something could be arranged in time for Christmas and he would report to the November meeting.

The provision of a Christmas Tree would be added to the agenda for November.

Councillors were asked to consider the budget for 2015/2016. At the moment items to be considered and budgeted for include Temple Cloud in bloom, memorial garden, play area improvements, Village Hall maintenance and the Precept.

Cllr Cockerham offered the Clerk a digital voice recorder for use at Council meetings. His offer was gratefully accepted.

11. NEXT MEETING will be at 7.30 pm on 12th November in the village hall,
The meeting closed at 8.30pm