

TEMPLE CLOUD WITH CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held at
7.30pm on Wednesday 14th November 2018, Temple Cloud Village Hall
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COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Cllrs John Cockerham, Tom Hemmings, Tony Hooper (Chairman), Ray Jenkins, Jon Sebright, and Tracey Turner.
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: District Cllr Tim Warren, Jenny Howell (Clerk) and six members of the public.

A MINUTE'S SILENCE

The meeting observed a one minute's silence to remember the 13 men from the Parish who died in 2 World Wars. The minute also was for former Parish Councillor, Gwenda Harvey of Tiledown who died suddenly at home. Gwenda will be missed by everyone who knew her for her sunny disposition and common sense.

117-18/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND WELCOME
Apologies were received from Cllr Alyson Worthington and accepted.

118-18/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
There were no declarations of interest.

119-18/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Members of the public were welcomed to the meeting.

The President of the WI gave thanks for the grant to frame the WI wall hanging. The Parish Council welcome the return of the wall hanging which will be on display at Temple Cloud Village Hall.

A question was asked about the availability of Community Infrastructure Levy money (CIL) for extra land (separate agenda item refers). A resident asked whether Truespeed were building infrastructure to connect Cameley. Truespeed Representative Samantha Hill asked for residents to contact her directly to check individual locations.

A resident reported that a public footpath which runs from behind the Old Court House into the David Wilson Homes development and out into a field had been blocked by a low fence. (separate agenda item refers).

120-18/19 TRUESPEED
Samantha Hill, Growth Manager for Truespeed was welcomed to the meeting and invited to update residents developments in the parish including: the completion of infrastructure works, free broadband for life at Temple Cloud Village Hall and arrangements for connecting the Village Hall.

Samantha Hill advised that final infrastructure works were scheduled to take place at the weekend by the petrol station and the pub. A 'refer a friend' offer allows for a free connection and free broadband for the first month -details of which will be shared on the Parish Council Facebook page. It was confirmed that connection to the Village Hall would be via overhead cabling and there would be no impact to the planned car park resurfacing works. It was reported that only 30-40% of the infrastructure is underground and much of it overhead.

Residents and members were invited to ask questions.

121-18/19 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 10th October 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

122-18/19 PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES
The Clerk confirmed that no requests for an election were received by the BANES Council Returning Officer following the publication of two notices of vacancies. The law requires that the Parish Council co-opt a person to fill the vacancy "as soon as practicable" after the expiry of the notice of vacancy period.

The Clerk will advertise the vacancies on the noticeboards, the Parish Council website / Facebook Page and within the Clutton with Temple Cloud News. Short written applications are invited for consideration at the next Parish Council Meeting. These should include any relevant skills, experience and interests along with your reasons for wishing to join the Parish Council.

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

If you live locally, are interested in community matters and want to help make a difference then the Parish Council would like to hear from you.

Selflessness Integrity Objectivity Accountability Openness Honesty Leadership

This is an exciting time to join the Parish Council with a number of projects on the horizon.

Support and induction training will be provided.

Short written applications are invited for consideration at the next Parish Council Meeting.

If you would like to find out more, or express your interest - please contact the Parish Clerk Jenny Howell by email info@templecloud.org.uk or by phone 07591 257067.

123-18/19 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A report had previously been circulated which included updates from the Chairman and meetings attended. There were no questions arising from the report.

124-18/19 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk gave a verbal report on activity since the last meeting. The Clerk raised that a resident had made contact via the Parish Council Facebook page asking whether the Parish Council would consider making it a requirement for dogs to be kept on lead on the Playing Field / Football Pitch. Further background was provided.

125-18/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- i. Members were asked to consider the following Planning Application: 18/04486/TPO - Application Type: Tree Works subject to TPO. Site Location: High Knoll 14 Molly Close Temple Cloud. Description of Proposal: Oak - crown uplift by approx. 3m and removal of deadwood within canopy. Removal of extensive sized lateral limb, extending approximately 25' from left side of tree over neighbours garden.

RESOLVED

That the Parish Council **support** Planning Application: 18/04486/TPO

- ii. Members were asked to consider the following Planning Appeal: 18/01276/FUL - Site Location: 1 The Square, Temple Cloud. Description of Proposal: Erection of 2no semi-detached dwellings. *Additional comments are requested by 16th November 2018.*

RESOLVED

That the Parish Council submit additional comments as follows:

The Parish Council resolved that this development should continue to be refused. Whilst the Parish Council note small changes to layout and materials the fundamental objection of the Parish Council includes:

- 1. This is outside of the development boundary.*
- 2. It is not for essential workers.*
- 3. It imbalances the current development of six properties.*
- 4. The hedge the applicant refers to is not tall enough to screen from the A37.*

The Parish Council support the reasons outlined by the local planning authority for refusal.

126-18/19 BANES NEW LOCAL PLAN OPTIONS AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Members discussed the recently published BANES New Local Plan Options document. One of the three options set out in the BANES report include further potential residential development at Temple Cloud and Clutton (broad locations are outlined in the maps within the document).

Members asked District Councillor Tim Warren why Temple Cloud had been identified as suitable for additional development. Members also formed broad agreement that Temple Cloud is not suitable for additional development due to limitations of infrastructure being significant, the limitations of the bus service to Bath, the A37 having been declared Air Quality Management Areas at both Temple Cloud and Farrington Gurney.

It was noted that a Public Consultation will run between 12th November and 21st December during which time a series of drop-in sessions/exhibitions will be held where BANES Officers will be available to answer questions and discuss issues.

The District Councillor, Tim Warren commented that he did not feel additional development along the A37 was sustainable and urged all residents to respond to the public consultation.

Residents are encouraged to read the report and respond to the public consultation. Residents may attend any of the drop in events and can find out more here: <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/local-plan-2016-2036>

RESOLVED – That:

- i. The Parish Council request that BANES Council to hold a drop in session at Temple Cloud Village Hall for residents to attend on Wednesday 5th December 2018.
- ii. The Parish Council defer the Parish Council response to the December Parish Council Meeting.

A drop in event hosted by BANES Council Planning Officers has since been confirmed and will take place between 4pm – 7pm on Wednesday 5th December 2018 at Temple Cloud Village Hall. Residents from Temple Cloud, Cameley and Clutton are encouraged to attend.

127-18/19 WELCOME SIGN LOGO

The final proofs of the artwork for the Village Welcome Sign Logo were reviewed in readiness for printing.

RESOLVED

- i. To approve final proof (version 2b)
- ii. To approve a budget for printing / installation costs at £40 plus VAT per sign.

128-18/19 SPORTS PAVILION

The Clerk reported that there had been no interest to save the facility following the sports pavilion / consultation. The Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for repairs to the roof and de-commissioning the building.

129-18/19 FINANCE

The cashbook had previously been circulated by email on 08/11/2018. The bank statements for the month of October had been reconciled and circulated. Total income £11,816.29 (which includes: precept, Local Council Support Scheme, Village Hall income and interest). A cheque for £217.00 to Temple Cloud WI had been issued (approved October 2018).

RESOLVED

- i. That the finances for the month of November 2018 were approved. Total payments for November 2018 – £1,547.18
- ii. The bank reconciliation was accepted and signed.
- iii. Members noted the recent meeting of the Finance Advisory Group.
- iv. Members noted the completion of the 6 monthly internal audit and accepted the half yearly internal audit report.

130-18/19 GRANT APPLICATION

Members considered grant applications submitted by The Friends of Cameley Primary School for:

- a. £5,000 to provide storage for toys and equipment for the expanding Early Years Unit or;
- b. £1,000 to provide screening to enclose Early Years Play Area.

The grant application and policy were also discussed.

RESOLVED - That:

- i. The Parish Council reject the grant applications submitted by the Friends of Cameley Primary School. Neither application meet criteria set out in the grant policy - *both applications exceed the 75% limit, there was no proposal of how the project may be part funded by other means, application a. was for more than the supporting quote supplied.*
- ii. The Clerk work in conjunction with the Finance Advisory Group to review the grant policy and grant application form.

131-18/19 DRAFT BUDGET

The Parish Council noted the first draft of the proposed budget for 2019/20.

132-18/19 VILLAGE HALL

The Clerk provided an update on regular Village Hall bookings. At present there are two regular monthly bookings which take place on a Tuesday and a Wednesday. These occur once a month or less. The Clerk reported that she was unable to offer a regular weekly booking on a Tuesday or Wednesday evening as a result. Members discussed options.

RESOLVED

That the Parish Council Meeting be moved to the second Tuesday of the Month from January 2018 to free up Wednesday evenings for a regular weekly booking. This will maximise opportunities for new groups to use the Village Hall whilst accommodating the needs of existing hirers.

133-18/19 TEMPLE INN LANE / BRANDOWN CLOSE

Members noted that cars were regularly being parked on the footpath beside the cattle grid which runs alongside the Old Court (between Brandown Close and Temple Inn Lane). Members also discussed the report of blocked access across a public right of way by means of a low fence behind the Old Court where the footpath enters the field beyond the David Wilson Homes development.

The Chairman highlighted a wider issue of protecting Public rights of way (footpaths) in the Parish.

The Clerk will raise the issues with the BANES Council Right of Way Officer / David Wilson Homes. A Cllr will write an article for the Parish Magazine advertising for a volunteer to walk the footpaths.

134-18/19 PURCHASE OF LAND FOR RECREATION / PARKING

The Chairman circulated a proposed advert. The advert was agreed and will be published in the Parish Magazine.

135-18/19 CHRISTMAS TREE

The Council discussed plan for the 2018 Christmas Tree including the need for a heavy duty base.

RESOLVED

That the budget for the Christmas Tree be increased to £500 (bought and installed). The Clerk will progress.

136-18/19 COMMUNITY AWARD 2018/19

Members noted that nominations for the Community Award (Hosted by the Chair of Bath & North East Somerset Council) are invited by 21st December 2018.

This item was deferred to the December Parish Council Meeting.

The Community Awards 2018/19 recognises volunteers, community leaders, staff and businesses that make a positive contribution to the local community, putting people first and inspiring others to get involved. The Awards contribute to BANES Council's vision to make 'Bath and North East Somerset an even better place to live, work and visit'. Residents, staff, councillors, businesses, organisations and groups, teachers, and volunteers from Bath and North East Somerset can nominate people for the following categories: Category 1 – Volunteering in the Community Awards, Category 2 – Business in the Community Award, Category 3 – Service to the Community. You can find more information here: <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/neighbourhoods-and-community-safety/local-awards/chairmans-community-business-awards>

137-18/19 OUR YOUNG STARS AWARD

Members noted the launch of the BANES Council 'Our Young Stars' campaign (by Leader of BANES Council Tim Warren) to discover and celebrate the most extraordinary young people across our region. Nominations are invited by 30th November 2018. You can find more information here: <http://bathnes.gov.uk/latestnews/do-you-know-young-star>

138-18/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be held at **7.30pm on** Wednesday 12th December 2018 at Temple Cloud Village Hall.

139-18/19 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That pursuant to the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business by reason of the confidential nature of business to be transacted – to consider confidential HR and contractual matters.

140-18/19 VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

Recommendations were received from the Finance Advisory Group.

RESOLVED

- i. That the Parish Council appoint Springfield Road Surfacing to undertake the re-surfacing, lighting and associated additional drainage works in accordance with requirements set out in the invitation to tender and quotation supplied.
- ii. Two Cllrs work together to produce a plan of the final works.

141-18/19 VILLAGE OPERATIVE VACANCY

RESOLVED

- i. The vacant Village Operative role is advertised at 15 hours per week (using the existing Village Operative job description to include minor repairs to parish property).
- ii. That the second Village Operative can work overtime by agreement with the Clerk whilst the second Village Operative role is vacant.
- iii. That a separate casual basis contract be drawn up for handyman tasks. The Clerk will progress with a Cllr.

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