



Cannington Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Cannington Parish Council at
7.00pm on Tuesday 8th November 2016 in Cannington Village Hall

MINUTES DRAFT

Present:

Parish Councillors: Mike Phillips, Dawn Horrobin, Rob Morgan, Kym Wardhaugh, Alan Beasley, Jack Popham, Robin Phipps and Andrew Vickery

Chair: Colin Allen

Sedgemoor District Council: Ian Dyer and Ann Bown

Clerk: Tina Gardener and Aly Prowse

Members of the public: 9 and PCSO Georgina Long

Public Session

1. A resident of Bowling Green reported problems with parking by EDF staff and an incident with the security from Cannington Court.
2. Resident parking permits were discussed.
3. There were also concerns that HPC staff are parking in the village and catching the bus.
4. A member of the public pointed out that the oak trees along Cannington Straight were being removed as part of the new cycle path.
5. A member of the public was concerned about the cuts to the bus service between Cannington and Minehead. The Parish Council has written letters to show our concerns about the withdrawal of the service and we will continue to support the campaign to find an alternative service.
6. PCSO Georgina Long reported that she was leaving her position on 17th November 2016 and she will be replaced by PCSO Nick Mizon. An incident of graffiti on Main Road was reported and a large quantity of diesel was taken from the building site at Southbrook.

Council Session

01/11/16 Apologies for Absence were accepted from Cllr David Greenslade

02/11/16 Declarations of Members Interests

Cllr Rob Morgan declared an interest in agenda item 05/11/16 for planning application 13/16/00046/DRT

03/11/16 Minutes of Meeting held on 11th October 2016

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th October 2016 were agreed.

04/11/16 Matters Arising

1. 04/10/16 Traffic calming. The feasibility study for the scheme is being progressed alongside others (as a special case) in the SCC's Small Improvement Schemes Programme to avoid this up front cost having to be borne by the Parish Council in advance of a scheme being developed. That wider programme is currently being developed together with the associated timetable and cost estimate.
2. 04/10/16 Skate Park. On-going.
3. 04/10/16 Planning committee – terms of reference. On-going.
4. 04/10/16 Bus Shelter – The boundary of the property in Main Road has been confirmed and we are waiting for the hedge to be cut back.
5. 04/10/16 Bowling Green. On-going.
6. 04/10/16 Trees – Arboriculture Survey and Tree warden. It was agreed Councillors would monitor trees in their area of responsibility; Cllr Alan Beasley – Cemetery, Cllr Andrew Vickery – Jubilee Gardens and Cllr Mike Phillips – Rodway Playing Fields and War Memorial.

05/11/16 Planning matters

Cllr Rob Morgan left the meeting for this agenda item.

New planning applications

1. **3/32/16/018** – Construction of a building for the storage of Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste (Variation of building design approved by planning permission 3/32/12/030 for Hinkley Point A. At Hinkley Point Power Station, Stogursey, Bridgwater. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.
2. **1/13/16/049** – Section 73 application – Variation of Condition 1 of permission no 1/13/07/042 (For the importation of rubble and excavated materials for site restoration purposes) until 31st December 2017 at Spaxton Road, Bridgwater. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.
3. **1/13/16/050** – Section 73 application – Variation of Condition 1 of permission no 1/13/08/010 (For the storage, crushing and recycling of hard core) until 31st December 2017 at Spaxton Road, Bridgwater. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.
4. **1/13/16/051** – Section 73 application – Variation of Condition 1 of permission no 1/13/07/042 (For the importation of rubble and excavated materials for site restoration purposes) until 31st December 2017 at Spaxton Road, Bridgwater. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.
5. **13/16/00031/STP** – This application has been significantly amended. Erection of 4 dwellings and garages on site of 2 existing cottages (to be demolished) and formation of access at 4 and 6 Gurney Street, Cannington for MJT

Building and Civil Engineering Contractors Ltd. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.

6. **13/16/00034** - Other minor development. Erection of a single storey extension to front (south) elevation, partially on site of existing lean-to at The Friendly Spirit Inn, 42 Brook Street, Cannington for Enterprise Inns PLC. This will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting to be held on 13th December 2016.
7. **13/16/00044/STP** – Formation of decking and steps to South elevation to form fire escape on land to the West of The Winches, Crabtrees Caravan Park, East Street, Cannington for Mr J Crabtree. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to oppose the application on the grounds it will overlook the neighbour's property. This was seconded by Cllr Wardhaugh and agreed by a majority.
8. **13/16/00045/CW** – Replacement of nine existing windows with new double glazed timber windows to front and rear elevations at Ruscombe House, 1 High Street, Cannington for Mr M Saunders. After discussions Cllr Robin Phipps proposed to support the application on the grounds there is no visual impact. This was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.
9. **13/16/00046/DRT** – Erection of single storey extension and porch to rear and side elevations, and erection of extension to garage, partly on site of existing kitchen and garage building (to be demolished) at Willow Cottage, Withiel Drive, Cannington for Mr & Mrs R Morgan. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application on the grounds that there is no neighbour impact and it is appropriate of design detailing and material. This was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.
10. **13/16/00048/DRT** – Variation of condition 7 of Planning Permission 13/11/00005 to extend the operational hours on Saturdays from 07.30 – 13.00 to 07.30 – 17.00 on land to the north of, The Downs, Rodway, Cannington for Bridgwater and Taunton College. After discussions Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed unanimously.

Planning applications decided

1. **13/16/00041**- Non-material amendment to planning permission 13/14/00030 (Erection of 16 dwellings, garages, formation of access and associated works - as supplemented by a bat and reptile survey (dated September 2014) and a Flood Volume Compensation Strategy (dated 4 October 2014) to amend the elevations of the houses, amend the usable space of first floor rooms in house types C & D and adjustment to the position of several plots.
Permission granted
2. **13/16/00042/SPH** – Creation of a temporary access on land to the east of Main Road, Cannington for Colin Residential. **Permission granted.**
3. **13/16/00043/JAB** – Removal of approximately 848m of hedgerow on the northern and eastern side of the A39 between Cannington Roundabout and Sandford Hill Roundabout for cycleway for Somerset County Council.
Permission granted.

06/11/16 Financial Matters

1. **Payments Due** – The following cheques were approved for payment

| Name of Payee | Description of cheque | Cheque No. | Amount |
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| Additional payments made since the last meeting: - | | | |
| Cannington Village Hall | Hire of Parish Community Room (£230.00) and Council monthly meeting (£20.00) | S/O | £250.00 |
| J Parkers | Various bulbs for CiB (agreed minute 11/10/16 c) | 003110 | £969.90 |
| Naturescape | Bluebell bulbs for CiB (agreed minute 11/10/16 c) | 003111 | £149.75 |
| Tina Gardener | Clerk's salary | 003113 | £767.81 |
| Aly Prowse | Deputy Clerk's salary | 003112 | £287.45 |
| BT | Internet costs for September to November 2016 | DD | £133.20 |
| The following payments are due; | | | |
| Greenslades Grounds Maintenance | Grounds maintenance contract for October 2016 | 003114 | £935.96 |
| Paul Allen | IT maintenance contract for August and September 2016 | 003115 | £100.00 |
| Alan Beasley | Replacement battery for the defibrillator | 003116 | £228.00 |
| Tina Gardener | Payment to Bugler for Remembrance Sunday | 003117 | £50.00 |
| Bridgwater Mowers | Service for pump kept in flood store | 003118 | £72.41 |
| Robert Popplewell | Annual hosting for website | 003119 | £165.00 |
| Environment Agency | Contribution to Flood Alleviation Scheme | 003120 | £40,000.00 |
| Royal British Legion | Wreath and contribution | 003121 | £100.00 |

2. **The accounts** for October 2016 were previously circulated to all Councillors and agreed as a true record. The current balance is £84,838.04
3. **The Budget Statement** for October 2016 was previously circulated to all Councillors.
4. **The Finance & Staffing Committee** met on 3rd November 2016 and the minutes have been circulated. A forecast to March 2017 was produced with a closing balance of £35,932.00. There are sufficient funds for projects in the Cemetery and Jubilee Gardens. A draft budget was also produced for 2017/18 and the committee recommend keeping the precept at the same level for next year.
5. **Bank signatories.** There was an issue with previous signatories not being removed by the bank. A new mandate has been completed to rectify this.
6. **Flood Alleviation Scheme.** The Environment Agency has issued an invoice for £40,000 (contributions held by the Parish Council). This amount has been transferred to the current account from the account set up for Flooding contributions which will now be closed.
7. **RLT2 Fund** – Scott Mason from SDC had requested that some of the RLT2 Fund for Cannington be used to replace the fence and gate at the entrance to the Children's Play Area. Cllr Robin Phipps proposed to accept this request. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Vickery and agreed unanimously.

07/11/16 Correspondence

Received

1. Cannington United Reformed Church – CIM Fund. An application has been received for £22,054 towards the cost of a conservatory at Cannington URC. Cllr Alan Beasley proposed to support the application; this was seconded by Cllr Rob Morgan and agreed unanimously.
2. SDC – Rating listing and small business relief change.
3. Sue Mountstevens – response received to our letter. Councillors were displeased with the response received from Sue Mountstevens and a further letter will be sent.
4. SDC – Street naming. Councillors were disappointed that the new development at Southbrook could not be named Popham's Close. It is SDC policy not to name streets after people whether living or dead. SDC Cllr Ian Dyer will follow this up and we will write to SDC with our concerns.

Sent

1. SALC – Capping Consultation
2. SDC – endorsing Lynda Laird's comments Indian Restaurant
3. Sue Mountstevens – Local Policing
4. Chris Grayling – loss of bus service between Cannington and Minehead.

08/11/16 Future of Youth Club

Meetings have been held with Kirstie Brown – SCC Youth & Community Officer and the youth workers and we are confident that the youth club will be maintained by the Parish Council (to 31st March 2017 in the first instance). There are a lot of policies and procedures that need to be in place by 1st January 2017 and will be included in the December 2016 agenda.

09/11/16 Reports

Posts of Responsibility – reports where applicable

- a. Allotments - Clerk
- b. Brook – Cllr David Greenslade
- c. Cannington in Bloom – Cllr Kym Wardhaugh reported that CiB had agreed to enter the National competition next year. John Wheatley President of South west in Bloom and a RHS judge will be mentoring CiB.
- d. Cemetery – Cllr Alan Beasley reported that tenders have been sent out for work on the 69 Yew Trees in the Cemetery. There is an on-going problem with moles.
- e. College – Chairman Colin Allen reported that the Annual meeting with the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 29th November 2016.
- f. Community Orchard – Cllr Robin Phipps
- g. Emergency Planning including flooding. The emergency pump has been serviced and returned to the flood store. We need to be aware that the flood alleviation scheme will not be operational until 2017.
- h. Jubilee Gardens – Cllr Andrew Vickery. Recommendations from Jubilee Gardens committee meeting held on 5th October 2016;
 1. The packhorse bridge is not listed unlike a number of other bridges in Somerset. Cllr Rob Morgan proposed that we should seek this from English Heritage, this was agreed unanimously.
 2. Black Poplar – After much discussion Cllr Jack Popham proposed that a roof should be constructed over the tree and a plaque should be erected. This was seconded by Cllr Dawn Horrobin and agreed by a majority.
 3. Kerbing – Cllr Andrew Vickery proposed that kerbing should be installed beside the brook area opposite 32 Brook Street to deter parking and improve the area. This was previously looked at on 2010. This was seconded by Cllr Rob Morgan and agreed unanimously subject to specification and costings.
 4. Goat Willow – It was agreed to get this tree removed.
 5. It was agreed for an area by the phone box to be planted and maintained by Cannington in Bloom.
 6. Wessex water will be replacing the cladding of their water pipe on the turnpike bridge shortly. The Clerk will arrange for the ivy to be cleared.
- i. Playing fields/amenities – Cllr Mike Phillips reported that he hadn't been able to source any grants for the replacement fence and gate. He proposed that we accept the lowest quote of £900 (there is sufficient funds in the Playing field budget). This was seconded by Cllr Rob Morgan and agreed unanimously.
- j. Somerset Association of Local Clerks – Clerk. The next meeting will be on 15th December 2016 at Somerton.
- k. Speedwatch Traffic monitoring and Speed Indicator Device (SID) - The Clerks have received training for the SID and it is hoped that it will be operational next week. In October there were 11 speed watch outings. Out of 1,450 vehicle movements there were 32 speeders. The top speed recorded was 50mph.
- l. Village Hall – Cllr David Greenslade. The Village Hall will be holding their AGM on Monday 28th November 2016.
- m. Youth – Cllr Jack Popham

Other Reports

1. Neighbourhood Plan – The final draft plan is currently being completed and the next meeting will take place before the end of November 2016.
2. Flood Alleviation Scheme. The removal of the temporary bridge went well. The scheme is progressing well and should be completed early next year.
3. Highways and Parking Issues.
 - a. The salt in the salt bins has become solid. The Clerk will arrange for these to be emptied and refilled with fresh salt.
 - b. A request has been made to Clean Surrounds to trim back overgrown trees in Oaktree Way.
 - c. The public footpath off Mill Lane is overgrown.
 - d. The footpath and cycleway between Cannington and Combwich is being officially opened on Wednesday 9th November 2016.
4. Cannington Court

5. SDC Planning training held on 12th and 18th October 2016. Cllr Rob Morgan reported that the training was very useful. He raised concerns about the proposed changes to the planning process with the introduction of Planning in Principle. Details of the training session have been circulated to all Councillors.
6. The Community Forum meeting held on 13th October 2016 was attended by Cllr Robin Phipps. The draft minutes were circulated to all Councillors. It was noted that Cannington Park and Ride is not scheduled to be completed until the second quarter of 2018.
7. The Transport Forum meeting held on 20th October 2016 was attended by Cllr Rob Morgan. The need to progress traffic calming along Rodway was discussed. Junction improvements are to be made at Bristol Road/The Drove and Wylds Road/The Drove in late 2017. Whilst these works are carried out a one-way system will be in place. The park and ride at J24 is complete and J23 is on-going. The signalisation scheme for J23/A39 is being worked on and once agreed will be implemented as a priority.
8. The Hinkley Point SSG meeting held on 28th October 2016 was attended by Cllr Mike Phillips who has circulated his report.

Matters of Report

Brook walk to take place on 9th November 2016 at 1.30pm.

EDF Heritage Funding. Bob Croft from South West Heritage Trust will report back towards the end of this month.

The Remembrance Day Service will take place at 10.50am on 13th November 2016.

10/11/16 Items for the next meeting

11/11/16 Date and Time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 13th December 2016.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Signed Date