



Cannington Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Cannington Parish Council at
7.00pm on Tuesday 8th September 2015 in Cannington Village Hall

MINUTES DRAFT

Present:

Parish Councillors: Mike Phillips, Jack Popham, Dawn Horrobin, Robin Phipps, Andrew Vickery and Rob Morgan.

Chair: Colin Allen

Sedgemoor District Councillor: Ian Dyer (public session only)

Clerk: Tina Gardener

Members of the public: 9, Alyn Jones and Georgina Long (public session only)

Public Session

Alyn Jones, Strategic Manager – Major Programmes, Economic and Community Infrastructure, SCC, reported on;

Traffic Calming - EDF has fulfilled its obligation to contribute to the cost of traffic calming measures as the bypass will be in place prior to the DCO construction starting at Hinkley Point C. This is very disappointing and we will have to look to other funding sources to carry out any traffic calming measures, possibly through the Community Impact Mitigation (CIM) fund. Traffic speeds and volumes will be measured around Cannington before and after the bypass is completed. The Parish Council will be informed when this will take place and will be given copies of the analysis. The traffic calming scheme would look to reduce speed limits and weight limit, physical measures can be used to reduce speed. Mitigating circumstances for the CIM fund could be that Cannington could be used as a rat-run without traffic calming, funding may also be available from the Public Realm Improvements Heritage Funding.

Members of the public suggested 20mph limits 7.5t weight restrictions, speed bumps and railings outside the village hall, signs on the bypass directing vehicles to the grain store.

The majority of vehicles recorded during speed watches are travelling at over 30mph, only speeds over 36mph are reported.

C182 - £1.6m has been secured from Government for additional road maintenance from Quantock Road to Hinkley Point. This work will take place in October and November and will include; surfacing, over-runs and vegetation clearance.

Cycle paths – The cycle path from Bridgwater to Combswich will go ahead and the path from Combswich to Hinkley Point is still under consideration. It is hoped that the path between Cannington and Combswich will be constructed by the end of 2015/16.

Alyn was commended on his delivery of his report.

Police Report

Georgina Long reported that the area she is covering has been changed to Sedgemoor South and there are just 2 PCSO's and 2.5 PC's to cover the area. Georgina has been tied up with Safeguarding issues recently. If there are any non-urgent problems then ring 101.

Concerns were raised about increased parking around the Jubilee Gardens area and whether this related to Cannington Court staff and delegates.

The condition of Court House in Bowling Green was giving cause for concern.

Council Session

01/09/15 Apologies for Absence were accepted from Cllrs Alan Beasley, Alan Davey and David Greenslade, SDC Cllr Mrs Ann Bown and SCC Cllr John Edney.

02/09/15 Declarations of Members Interests there were no declarations of member's interests.

03/09/15 Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th July and 4th August 2015

The minutes of the meetings held on 15th July 2015 and 4th August 2015 were agreed.

04/09/15 Matters Arising

1. 05/07/15 Lengthsman – A meeting will be arranged with Otterhampton Parish Council in October 2015.
2. 05/07/15 Website – It is hoped that the website will be up and running in October 2015.
3. 05/07/15 Playing Fields – Progress on purchase. This will be discussed at the next meeting of SDC Executive Committee.
4. 05/07/15 Traffic calming – This was discussed in the public session.
5. 05/07/15 Skate Park – A meeting needs to be arranged with the headmaster of Brymore.
6. 05/07/15 Speed Indicator Device (SID) protocol. A training session has been arranged for Thursday 17th September
7. 05/07/15 Scaffold poles – The T-bars have been fitted and being stored at Blackmore Farm.
8. 05/07/15 Notice boards – Are due to be put up shortly.

05/09/15 Planning matters

New planning applications

1. **13/15/00036/DRT** – Retention of use of land to site a Shepherds Hut, used as holiday accommodation at Blackmore Farm, Blackmore Lane, Cannington for Mr I Dyer. After discussions Cllr Dawn Horrobin proposed to support this application as it will not impair the visual impact. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Vickery and agreed unanimously.

Planning Applications received after the agenda was set.

The following applications were received after the agenda was set. They were discussed but no response will be made to SDC until the applications have been placed on the village notice boards for comments.

1. **13/15/00034/DRT** – Retention of detached 3 bay garage on land at Beere Manor, Combwich Road, Cannington for Mr R Coggins. After discussions Cllr Rob Morgan proposed to support the application as there is no significant impact on the Grade II listed building. This was seconded by Cllr Mike Phillips and agreed unanimously.
2. **13/15/00035/STP** – Change of use, conversion and extension to barn to form dwelling, erection of building to form garage/store and carport. After discussions Cllr Rob Morgan proposed to oppose the application as the proposal doesn't relate solely to the conversion of the existing building but includes a substantial new build extension which doesn't respect the established alignment of this simple, rectangular barn. This was seconded by Cllr Robin Phipps and was agreed by a majority.
3. **13/15/00037/CW** – Retention of replacement conservatory, restoration of glasshouse and internal alterations. After discussions Cllr Rob Morgan proposed to support the application as it secures the long term future of the building. This was seconded by Cllr Mike Phillips and agreed unanimously.

Planning applications decided

1. **13/15/00013/DRT** – Application for Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed conversion of garage to living accommodation and erection of car port at 1 Southbrook Close, Cannington for Mr W Sutton. No decision required by the Parish Council. **Permission granted.**
2. **13/15/00019/RM** – DCO requirement discharge. Request for partial discharge of requirement relating to Cannington Bypass CB5 Construction working hours for EDF Energy. **HPC granted/sufficient detail.**
3. **13/15/00020/LR** - Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed partial demolition of existing kitchen wing and construction of replacement, enlarged kitchen wing on site of existing, incorporating some of the fabric of the existing building at Clayhill Farm (2), Charlynch Lane, Cannington, Bridgwater, TA5 2PH for Mr M Parkes. **Permission refused.**
4. **13/15/00021/STP** – Listed buildings and conservation areas act 1990 for the installation of 11 replacement windows to front elevation at 28 High Street, Canington for Mr J Lloyd. **Permission granted.**
5. **13/15/00022/DRT** – Notice of proposed agricultural development. Erection of agricultural building on land at Hensfield Farm, Chads Hill Farm for Perry Green Farms. **Formal application not required.**
6. **13/15/00026/CW** – Listed buildings consents alteration. Removal of 2.1m section of perimeter wall of walled garden at Cannington Walled Gardens, Church Street, Cannington for Bridgwater College. **Permission refused.**
7. **13/15/00027/CW** – Listed building consents alteration. Retention of Shepherds Hut in rear garden at Blackmore Farm, Blackmore Lane, Cannington for Mr I Dyer. **Application withdrawn.**
8. **13/15/00028/LR** – Installation of secondary glazing at 17 High Street, Cannington for Mr A Beasley. **Permission granted.**
9. **13/15/00030/CW** - Renew three first floor windows to West elevation (W21,W22,W23), carry out works to 6 other windows, re-render walls with lime render, install breathable roof felt and replace roof slates where necessary, replace damaged guttering and downpipes at Ashford House, Ashford, Cannington, for Mrs H Bevan. **Permission granted.**
10. **13/15/00031/STP** – Erection of a single storey extension to side (West) elevation on site of existing (to be demolished) at 23 Southbrook, Cannington for Mr D Chidgey. **Permission granted.**

06/09/15 Neighbourhood Plan Update

The work in reviewing the consultation feedback is now complete and the NHP team will be discussing workloads and timescales for the production of a draft plan with their consultant in the next couple of weeks with a view to being able to give the Parish Council a deadline for a complete draft by the time it next meets.

07/09/15 Flood Alleviation Scheme Update

There was no further update on the Flood alleviation scheme.

08/09/15 Cannington Bypass Update

There has been traffic management at the Rodway roundabout to allow surfacing works to be completed. Black top surfacing will then be carried out from Rodway to Stradlings Hill. It is hoped that access from Rodway roundabout to Stradlings Hill will be open in the middle of October 2015 and access from the Southern roundabout to Sandy Lane will be open in November 2015.

09/09/15 Highways

There have been ongoing problems with the drainage along Marsh Lane. Somerset Highways has been trying to establish the Ownership of Marsh Lane. This has now been referred to SCC Flood Risk management Team.

10/09/15 Jubilee Gardens – Bank repairs – progress

The sleepers have been ordered for the bank repairs and work will commence at the end of September. Viridor has released funds for £3,900.00

11/09/15 Financial Matters

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

Name of Payee	Description of cheque	Cheque No.	Amount
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
Greenslades Ground Maintenance	Interim invoice for bank repairs Jubilee Gardens	002976	£4,680.00
PanTech Engineering Ltd	15 no Aluminium scaffold poles	002977	£688.39
TQ exel Ltd	Lantra Awards Sector Scheme 12D T1 Training (SID)	002978	£1014.00
The following payments are due: -			
Roy Pumfrey	Mileage for Exel training course	002979	£12.80
Cannington in Bloom	Planting and maintenance of front of Cemetery hedge	002980	£30.00

Mike Phillips	Pin and lock for playing field gate	002981	£23.11
SRYP	Service Level Agreement for 1 st Jan to 30 th Sept 2015	002982	£3,750.00
EDF	Cancelled	002983	
Tina Gardener	Clerks salary	002984	£581.88
Patricia Villis	Cancelled	002985	
Tina Gardener	Cancelled	002986	
N Pitman	Playing Field garage door – new lock	002987	£52.00
Greenslades Grounds Maintenance	August 2015 – grounds maintenance contract	002988	£935.96
Grant Thornton	External audit	002989	£360.00
Paul Allen	August 2015 IT maintenance contract	002990	£50.00
Post Office Ltd	EDF Electricity at the pavilion – May – August 2015	002991	£54.93
Sedgemoor CAB	Donation request	002992	£100.00
1st Cannington Brownies	Grant awarded	002993	£450.00
Patricia Villis	Deputy Clerks Salary	002994	£305.28
Tina Gardener	Expenses	002995	£37.36

2. **The accounts for July and August 2015** had been previously circulated to all Councillors and were agreed as true records. The bank balances at the end of August 2015 were; Current account - £7,363.85, Savings account - £26,601.34 and Flood Fund account - £40,019.82 totalling £73,983.69.
3. **Budget Statement** for August 2015 has been circulated to all Councillors
4. **Annual audit return for 2015/16** has been completed and the end of audit notices will be displayed on the notice boards.
5. **A Finance and Staffing committee meeting will be arranged for October 2015.**

12/09/15 Correspondence

Sedgemoor Citizens Advice Bureau – A request has been received for a donation. Cllr Mike Phillips proposed that we donate £100; this was seconded by Cllr Rob Morgan and agreed unanimously.

A grant application request for £450 has been received from Lynne Fackerell on behalf of 1st Cannington Brownies. Cllr Rob Morgan proposed that a grant of £450 is awarded; this was seconded by Cllr Mike Phillips and agreed unanimously.

13/09/15 Posts of Responsibility – reports where applicable

- a. Allotments – The Clerk reported that there were a number of allotments that were being neglected. The Clerk has revised the warning letters and a stricter timetable for enforcing the letters. These letters had been circulated to Councillors for comments and it was agreed that the second, and third and final letter should be signed by the Chairman.
- b. Brook – The Clerk will arrange a brook walk for October 2015.
- c. Cannington in Bloom – Cllr Andrew Vickery reported that the South West in Bloom competition results would be known on 24th September 2015. The barrier baskets will be replaced in November 2015. SDC Clean Surrounds will be offering free 25kg bags of spring bulbs again this year.
- d. Cemetery – Cllr A Beasley. John Collin has volunteered to paint the railings and gate of the Cemetery. The Clerk will purchase some hammerite and brushes.
- e. College – Cllr Robin Phipps reported that the College students are doing voluntary work in the village. It is hoped that College students will be joining the Speedwatch team. There is no need for students, staff and visitors to the College to park in nearby roads as there is sufficient parking on site. Concerns were raised about the new signs that have appeared on wall of the Walled Gardens in Fore Street. The Clerk will find out if planning permission is required or already been granted as it is on the curtilage of a listed building.
- f. Emergency Planning including flooding – Chairman Colin Allen. Cllr Mike Phillips is now holding the emergency phone.
- g. Jubilee Gardens – Cllr Andrew Vickery. It was agreed to ask Greenslades Grounds Maintenance for a quote to supply and plant a Silver Birch tree in the brook area of the Jubilee Gardens in recognition of the service Father Peter Martin gave to the parish. A meeting of the Jubilee Gardens will be arranged in October 2015.
- h. Playing fields/amenities – Cllr Mike Phillips reported that the lock is missing on the playing fields gate and he will purchase another one. There is a query on the recent electrical inspection of the Pavilion and Chairman Colin Allen is looking into this.
- i. Somerset Association of Local Clerks. The SALC AGM will be held on Saturday 26th September 2015 at Edgar Hall, Somerton. No Councillors were available to attend.
- j. Speedwatch Traffic monitoring – The Clerk reported the speed watch totals for July and August 2015. In July there were 14 outings and 65 speeding vehicles recorded out of 2784 vehicles and the top speed was 52mph. In August there 9 outings and 69 speeding vehicles recorded out of 1522 vehicles and the top speed was 57mph.
- k. Village Hall - Cllr David Greenslade - The total of the CIM fund bid to refurbish the village hall is £188,686.19. Of which £31,000.00 is VAT, £11,737.00 for Solar panels, £9,708.78 for a new boiler and controls and £4,500.00 for consultants and other fees. The remainder is for the main contract which includes refurbishment of both kitchens and all toilets, new windows to the main halls and committee rooms and new flooring.
- l. Youth – Cllr Jack Popham. A meeting was held with Somerset Rural Youth Project (SRYP) on 12th August 2015. The report has been circulated to all Councillors and is available in the community room. Unfortunately there has been a number of staff changes due to ill health and staff leaving the SRYP. A variety of activities were delivered in the first term and a range of issues have been discussed with young people including; challenges at school ,bullying, appropriate behaviour, healthy living and body image. SRYP is in the process of implementing a new behaviour policy. They are working hard to increase the number of young people attending the club. They are also working towards the SCC safe and Welcoming benchmark. Cllr Jack Popham has agreed to become a volunteer for the youth club.

14/09/15 Matters of Report

SCC Cllr John Edney reported that he has a Health and Wellbeing grant of £5,000 to be shared between all his parishes.

The Clerk attended a meeting held at Bridgwater Police Station on 27th July 2015 regarding diversion routes in case of closure of C182. This scheme is called HAROLD (**H**inkley **A**lternative **R**outes **O**perating **L**ocal **D**iverisions) A number of diversion routes have been drawn up and tested and consideration given to holding back HGV vehicles and returning to depots/lay-down areas. This has been created after consultation with Somerset County Council. The report on the Affordable Housing seminar held on 2nd September 2015 will be given at the next meeting by Cllr Alan Beasley.

The next Transport Forum meeting will be held on 17th September 2015 at Puriton Village Hall

Code of Conduct training will be held by SDC at Bridgwater House on 21st September 2015.

The next Community Forum meeting will be held on 15th October 2015.

15/09/15 Items for the next meeting

16/09/15 Date and Time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 13th October 2015.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm

Signed Date