



Cannington Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Cannington Parish Council at
7.00pm on Wednesday 15th February 2023 in Cannington URC

MINUTES DRAFT

Present:

Parish Councillors: Shaun Ryall, Steve Pettitt, Mike Andison, Lisa Evans, Jack Popham and Ian Dyer (also SDC)

Chair: Colin Allen

County and District Councillors: None

Deputy Clerk: Tina Gardener

Members of the Public: 4

01/02/23 Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of members' interests

Public Session

Items discussed included;

- Footpath off Chads Hill – a request has been made for a handrail on the steep bank access from Chads Hill. The clerk will investigate.
- The SID date will be published in The Target
- NHP is still progressing

Council Session

02/02/23 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Carole Taylor, Kym Wardhaugh and John Addison and District Cllrs Brain Bolt and Mike Caswell.

03/02/23 Minutes of Meeting held on 10th January 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2023 were approved as a true record.

04/02/23 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising not covered by a separate agenda item.

05/02/23 Planning matters

New planning items

1. **13/23/00001** – Erection of a single storey extension and dormer window to the South elevation on site of existing (to be demolished) at 4 Teals Acre. After discussions Cllr S Pettitt proposed to support the application. This was seconded by Cllr S Ryall and agreed unanimously.
2. **13/23/00002** – Prior Approval Agricultural to Dwelling. Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of Use of Agricultural Building to 5 dwelling houses and associated works at Chilton Trivett Farm, Blackmore Lane. After discussions Cllr S Pettitt proposed to support the application, this was seconded by Cllr M Andison and agreed unanimously.

Planning decided

1. **13/22/00023** – Erection of 5 dwellings, comprising two pairs of semi-detached and one detached dwelling at Manor Farm, Marsh Lane - **Withdrawn**
2. **13/22/00034** – Single storey extension to rear (South) and side (East) elevations at 5 Duke Avenue (revised plans X2) – **Permission granted**
3. **13/22/00038** – Erect 2 dwellings with parking, access and associated works at 24 Rodway – **Permission granted**

06/02/23 Reports (as applicable)

1. Highways and Parking Issues
 - Inconsiderate parking at Priory Close has been reported to EDF who will investigate.
 - Consideration being given by SDC to demolish redundant garages in Northbrook/Priory Close/Grange Close to create additional parking. If this is permissible then there is grant funding available from EDF.
 - At the College meeting on 19.01.23 we were informed that Bridgwater College Academy were looking in to the possibility of a 20mph speed limit near the entrance to Brymore School.
2. Footpaths
3. The proposed diversion of part of BW5/23 at Yeo Valley was supported by councillors
4. Speed Indicator Device
 - The SID data has now been downloaded and can be analysed
 - Cllr Shaun Ryall attended the Chapter 8 training on 10.02.23
5. Village maintenance
 - Tree planting; Otters Brook, Northbrook, Southbrook, Teals Acre and Bowling Green. This has now been completed. Concerns were raised by a couple of residents in Bowling Green that they hadn't been informed of the tree planting.
 - A request has been submitted to Clean Surroundings for 2 new litter bins for Rodway

6. The EDF Community Forum meeting was held on 19.01.23 and attended by Cllrs Steve Pettitt and Shaun Ryall. The notes of the meeting will be circulated.
7. The annual college meeting was held on 24.01.23 and was well attended by councillors. Among items discussed were their plans for redundant buildings on the campus, a maintenance program for the walls surrounding the Walled Gardens and the revamp of Court Orchard.
8. Otters Brook – Correspondence has been received regarding the return of the deposit held by SDC from the developers regarding the S106 agreement. All obligations have now been completed and the deposit should be returned.

07/02/23 **Neighbourhood Plan**

- We are waiting a response from our consultant on the latest changes to the consultation statement.

08/02/23 **Capital/CIM fund projects**

1. Footbridge between Otters Brook and the play area
 - Estimates have been received for the bridge and associated works and it was agreed to set aside a budget of up to £30,000 for this project. This will be funded from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)
 - The priority is to complete the FRAP for Environment Agency permission and ascertain whether planning permission is required.
2. Pump track
 - SDC has agreed for the balance of the S106 Sports and Leisure Fund held by them on behalf of Cannington will be released for the pump track.
 - Cllr J Popham proposed to agree in principle for a budget of £150,000 for the pump track and associated works subject to the access being approved. This was seconded by Cllr M Andison and agreed unanimously.
3. Safety surface in front of Pavilion
 - Discussions took place about the right type of material for this project that would be suitable for all users. Scott Mason (SDC) will be contacted for advice.

09/02/23 **Financial Matters**

1. **The Payments** - The following cheques were approved for payment,

Name of Payee	Description of cheque	Cheque	Amount
Additional payments made since the last meeting: -:			
Cannington Village Hall	Hire of Parish Community Room (£230.00) and Council monthly meeting (£20.00) February 2023	S/O	£250.00
BT	Phone & broadband services February 2023	DD	£55.25
Heart Internet	Exchange mailbox January 2023	DD	£12.00
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Tina Gardener	Clerk's salary for January 2023	Tfer	£852.76
Aly Prowse	Clerk's Salary for January 2023	Tfer	£388.83
R Wardhaugh	Door repairs at pavilion	3918	£39.70
J Addison	Drainage pipes & stakes £50.55, Cemetery hedge £89.17 Ladder for SID £224.17 plus VAT	3919	£436.66
RT Signs	Plaques for Child of Cannington	3920	£30.00
K D Gamblin	Cleaned exterior of garage and pavilion and cleared gutters at Rodway	3921	£250.00
HMRC	PAYE October to December 2022	Tfer	£344.42
EDF	Electricity for Christmas lights supply	Tfer	£342.65
Payments for approval:			
Sedgemoor District Council	Addit SCC maintenance £208.00, Otters Brook £54.00, Rodway £992.67plus VAT	3922	£1,505.60
Quantock Ecology	Badger survey – Rodway	3923	£358.00
Scribe	Subscription for 2023/23	3924	£645.84
Greenslades Grounds Maintenance	Grounds maintenance for Dec 22 & Jan 23£1,680.58, Roundabouts £220.00, Felled 3 Alders in Jubilee Gardens and trimmed Oak tree at War Memorial £620.00, Grave levelling £98.40 plus VAT	3925	£3142.78
Coram Construction Training	Chapter 8 training for Shaun Ryall	3926	£267.60
Tina Gardener	Office supplies	3927	£99.12
Cannington Villagers	Christmas tree	3928	£205.00
A B Memorials	Cemetery memorial inspection	3929	£1,200.00
Coram Construction	Chapter 8 theory test for Shaun Ryall	3930	£72.00

2. **The accounts for January 2023** were previously circulated to all councillors and were agreed as a true record.
3. **The budget statement for January 2023** had previously been circulated to all councillors. The balance as at 31st January 2023 was £242,231.54 which includes reserves of £217,645.33
4. **Report from Finance and Staffing Committee meeting** held on 18.01.23
 - Temporary closure of office until 6th March 2023
 - Additional 20 hours for the Deputy Clerk for Cemetery procedures agreed
 - Both Clerks' have indicated they will be retiring in 2025
 - Banking arrangements – It was agreed for regular payments to be made by bank transfer; this will still require 2 signatories. The Clerk and Deputy Clerk will both be given access to transfer funds between parish council accounts only.
5. **Grounds maintenance contracts renewal**
 - Three tenders have been received (all from reputable contractors) for the village grounds maintenance contract and it was unanimously agreed to go with the cheapest tender.
 - Three tenders were also received for the Playing Field Grounds Maintenance contract and it was again agreed to go with the cheapest tender.

10/02/23 Review of risk assessments

- This is still ongoing.

11/02/23 Correspondence and matters to discuss

1. Request to have additional speed bumps on Rodway (north). The Chairman will contact the person concerned
2. Concerns regarding mud on the road and hedges removed at Marsh Lane during works on at the College. This has been passed on to the College for their response.

12/02/23 Local Community Networks (Unitary Council)

1. Executive meeting on 18th January 2023 approved the 18 Local Community Networks (LCNs). Cannington will be in the Dowsborough Area 14 LCN, consisting of the former Quantock Cluster plus a few more parishes.
2. Statement of Community Involvement in Planning – consultation from 01.02.23 to 13.03.23. The Deputy Clerk and Cllr S Pettitt will respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

13/02/23 King's Coronation

- Volunteers – only one person had contacted the Parish Council. Cllrs M Andison and I Dyer volunteered.
- Road Closure – it was agreed not to pursue a road closure as this would prevent access to the pub.
- Cllr S Pettitt put forward some suggestions for the celebration on 07.05.23. A meeting will be arranged shortly.
- 'The Big Help Out' community action day on Monday 08.05.23

14/02/23 Posts of Responsibility – reports where applicable

- a. Allotments –Deputy Clerk and Cllrs Shaun Ryall and Mike Andison
 - Complaint received about a bonfire
 - The driving range nets on the College golf course need repairing
- b. Brook – Cllr Ian Dyer
 - Brook clearance - ongoing
- c. Bus Partnership – Cllr Jack Popham
 - The last meeting discussed trains and bus links
 - The Bridgwater Bus Partnership will be merging with the Bridgwater Transport Forum
- d. Cannington in Bloom – Clerk and Cllr Steve Pettitt
- e. Cemetery – Deputy Clerk and Cllrs Ian Dyer and Mike Andison
- f. College – Chairman Colin Allen.
- g. Jubilee Gardens– Cllr John Addison
- h. Playing fields/amenities – Cllrs Lisa Evans and Jack Popham
- i. Village Hall – Cllr Kym Wardhaugh
- j. Youth - Cllrs Kym Wardhaugh and Lisa Evans
 - An open day was held on 28th January 2023 in the village hall to see if there was any interest in scouts.
 - Cannington URC has received funding for a youth worker

15/02/23 Matters of Report

1. Hinkley Point SSG meeting to be on held on 24th February 2023
2. EDF Transport Forum to be held on 16th March 2023
3. Delegation from Holland on HPC visit 20th to 22nd March 2023

16/02/23 Items for the next meeting

1. 20mph speed limit for Cannington

17/02/23 Date and Time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 14th March 2023 in Cannington Village Hall

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed..... Date.....