

## **Minutes**

of a Meeting of

### **Yatton Parish Council**

held on

**Monday 11 July 2011**

at Hangstones Pavilion

Meeting opened: 7.30 p.m. Meeting closed: 8.35 p.m.

**Present:** Councillors: David Crossman (Chairman), Maurice Blunsdon, Mike Cox, Wendy Griggs, Martyn Hooper, Graham Humphreys, Robert Jenner, Susan Morris, Ian Payne, Brian Phillips, Rhiannon Prys-Owen, Caroline Sheard, Viv Wathen, Jean Watson, Theresa Williams and Roger Wood

**Also in attendance:** Clerk's Assistant Aleana Baird, Pat Stevens and Methodist Minister Tony Price.

#### **MATTERS FOR DECISION**

##### **COU37/11: Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Jane Bollen and North Somerset Parish Liaison Officer Karuna Tharmananthar.

##### **COU38/11: Declarations of interests by Parish Councillors**

Graham Humphreys declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Agenda item 7 (new burial ground) in view of his business interests.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

##### **COU39/11: Public participation**

Wendy Griggs spoke as a member of the public regarding the cuts to youth provision in the village. There was a meeting on youth service provision at Castlewood on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July and the Clerks assistant was to email the agenda to those interested in attending. Yatton youth worker Nicky Lockhart's line manger (Tim Blasdale) had found there was outstanding 106 finance from the North End developments allocated for the benefit of youth in the community. He was open to suggestions of ways to use this expenditure of £7,995.

It was agreed to put this as an agenda item for the next finance meeting. She also mentioned the Lions Sponsored walk on the Strawberry Line to raise funds for the new minibus and that she held all the details.

Pat Stevens spoke on Agenda item 9 (the location of the Claverham sign) and stated that he considered the current position of the sign to be correct and if it was moved it would raise more complex issues of ward boundaries. He also spoke on the noise being made by the donkeys on the land to the rear of Stowey Road and the use of mobile dwellings on the site.

### **MATTERS FOR DECISION**

#### **COU40/11: Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13 June 2011**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 June 2011 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **COU41/11: Finance**

(To authorise payments, to note receipts and petty cash payments)

RESOLVED that this item be deferred to the Finance, Personnel and Administration Committee meeting on 18 July.

**Councillor Graham Humphreys, having declared a personal and prejudicial interest, left the room.**

#### **COU42/11: Next steps in development of a new burial ground, and appointment of a consultant.**

A copy of consultant Peter Mitchell's proposal and a copy of a report by the Clerk was circulated to each Councillor and discussed.

RESOLVED to accept the proposals submitted and engage the services of consultant Peter Mitchell to carry out all necessary feasibility surveys and produce a business plan for the new burial ground on the basis of the fees quoted.

**Councillor Graham Humphreys returned to the room.**

#### **COU43/11: Appointment of members to committees.**

Councillor Roger Wood wished to attend all the Committees prior to making a decision on which ones he would like to be appointed to.

#### **COU44/11: Location of the sign for the entrance to Claverham on Claverham Road**

Councillors discussed the location of the sign taking into account the comments they had received.

RESOLVED that the sign should remain in its current position.

## **MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

### **COU45/11: Clerk's Report**

- Councillor Jane Bollen's report for the PCAA meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> June was available. Councillor Mike Cox requested a copy.
- The annual accounts had been sent to the auditors.
- The annual report was available on the website and hard copies in the office and a number of other locations in the village.
- An agenda for Children and Young People's Services at Castlewood on Friday 15 July had been received.
- An agenda for the Strawberry Line Management Committee 13 July had been received. Councillor Trevor Bidwell-Ford to attend.
- A meeting of the Standards Committee 19 July had been cancelled.
- A letter of congratulations had been sent to North Somerset Councillor Tony Moulin following his award for wetlands conservation.
- The Clerk's assistant informed Councillors of her gaining a new position as Clerk to Churchill and Langford Parish Council. She would still remain working for Yatton Parish Council.

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Chairman

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