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Minutes

of a Meeting of

Yatton Parish Council

held on

Monday 12 September 2011

at Hangstones Pavilion

Meeting opened: 7.30 p.m. Meeting closed: 9.20 p.m.

Present: Councillors: David Crossman (Chairman), Trevor Bidwell-Ford, Maurice Blunsdon, Jane Bollen, Mike Cox, Wendy Griggs, Martyn Hooper, Robert Jenner, Susan Morris, Brian Phillips, Rhiannon Prys-Owen, Caroline Sheard, Viv Wathen, Jean Watson, Theresa Williams and Roger Wood

Also in attendance: Clerk, North Somerset Councillor Tony Moulin and seven members of the public

Prayers were led by Rev. Tony Price.

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU37/11: Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Parish Councillors Graham Humphreys and Ian Payne, North Somerset Councillor Jill Iles, North Somerset Parish Liaison Officer Karuna Tharmananthar and PC Paul Morris.

COU38/11: Declarations of interests by Parish Councillors

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COU39/11: Public participation

Dene Gilbert spoke on Agenda item 8 (speeding on Claverham Road). He asked for the Parish Council's support in measures to control speeding and suggested:

- The Parish Council takes an active interest in this issue
- The Parish Council asks for white lines and other road markings

- The Parish Council considers contributing to the cost of measures to control speeding
- If new markings do not reduce speeding traffic to 15% of all traffic then the Parish Council considers asking for a priority system.

North Somerset Councillors' reports

Tony Moulin reported:

- (1) North Somerset Council would need to find £47 million of cuts over the next three years. Town and parish councillors had been invited to a meeting on 6 October to discuss the implications of this.
- (2) Tony agreed to assist in liaison with Highways over speeding on Claverham Road

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU40/11: Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11 July 2011

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2011 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

COU41/11: Exclusion of the public

RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda items 14 (next steps in the refurbishment of Hangstones pavilion) and 15 (quotes for further work on Hangstones field) on the ground that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because consideration may involve disclosure of information relating to the financial affairs of the authority.

COU42/11: Finance

Payments were authorised and receipts and petty cash payments noted (Annex 1).

COU43/11: Appointment of members to committees

RESOLVED that this item be deferred.

COU44/11: Speeding on Claverham Road

In addition to Dene Gilbert's presentation (above) members also considered an email from another resident (Annex 2). Members noted that the Speedwatch scheme was being revived; however Speedwatch data were not always reliable.

RESOLVED that:

- The Parish Council supports the residents in their campaign to control speeding

- The Road Safety Advisory Committee met North Somerset officers to discuss the cost and feasibility of white lines and other markings
- The Speedwatch scheme be supported
- The Parish Council repeat its request for temporary flashing signs.

COU45/11: Development at Bristol Airport

Jane Bollen reported from the last PCAA meeting that North Somerset Council would not be monitoring the conditions under which planning permission was granted.

The Clerk was asked to clarify the position.

COU46/11: North Somerset consultation on supported bus services

Members considered a letter from North Somerset Council (Annex 3) inviting comments on changes to supported bus services. Members noted that the NSC Medium Term Financial Plan included cuts of around £500,000 in support for bus services.

In discussion members considered that there was an equalities issue here: Bus services provided support for the elderly and vulnerable.

RESOLVED that the Clerk pass on these comments.

COU47/11: Society of Local Council Clerks Regional Conference, Wednesday 9 November

RESOLVED that the Clerk and Mike Cox (reserve: David Crossman) attend the Conference (£65 per head).

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

COU48/11: Clerk's Report

- Meeting for town and parish councillors on North Somerset service provision, Thursday 6 October, (Annex 4) David Crossman and Wendy Griggs to attend
- Re-surfacing of the A370 through Congresbury, including overnight road closures and lifting of the weight restrictions on the B3133 and Claverham Road during periods of road closure
- Ecological and archaeological surveys had been completed at the proposed site for a new burial ground and allotments, next step would be a topographical survey, cost £850
- Letter from Lady Gass, Lord Lieutenant of Somerset, encouraging town and parish councils to plan for the Diamond Jubilee (Annex 5)
- Dormouse survey on Cadbury Hill has been completed.

COU49/11: Future agenda items

- Plans for the Diamond Jubilee

(The public left the room.)

MATTERS FOR DECISION

COU50/11: Appointment of CDM Co-ordinator for the refurbishment of Hangstones pavilion

Members noted that a CDM Co-ordinator was a statutory requirement for construction projects lasting more than four days.

Members considered four quotes (Confidential Annex 6)

RESOLVED that the quote from Jeremy Carpenter of Adept Safety in the sum of £1000 be accepted.

COU51/11: Further work at Hangstones field

Members considered a quote for an accessible path to the new play equipment on Hangstones field, and for disabled access to the zipwire (Confidential Annex 7).

RESOLVED that this item be deferred for further quotes to be obtained.

Members noted that one of the trees suggested as an anchor for a zipwire was unsuitable, so that only a single zipwire would be installed.

Chairman

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