

DRAFT UNAPPROVED

MINUTES

of the

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

of the Parish of Yatton

held on 21 March 2016

at Hangstones pavilion, Stowey Road, Yatton

Meeting opened 7 p.m.

Meeting closed 8.35 p.m.

Present: Councillor David Crossman (Chairman of Yatton Parish Council, in the Chair), Parish Councillors Wendy Griggs, Martyn Hooper, Graham Humphreys, Robert Jenner, Ian Payne, Mike Petersen, Rhiannon Prys-Owen, Caroline Sheard, Viv Wathen, Theresa Williams and Roger Wood, Alison Storm (Yatton United Charities), Niccy Hook (Yatton Youth Club), Sarah Palmer (Stepping Stones Community Pre-School), Nicky Derrick (Vision North Somerset) and around 40 residents of the parish of Yatton

Also in attendance: Parish Councillor Richard Westwood, Clerk, Grace Earl (Weston Mercury), Alan Emery (Community Drugs & Alcohol Misuse Forum), representatives of Weston DIAL

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Parish Councillors Paul Bane, Jonathan Edwards and Christopher Jackson, North Somerset Councillors Judith Hadley and Jill Iles, Peter Mills (Yatton Moor PCC) and Mary Langson (Yatton United Charities)

2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 1 June 2015

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 1 June 2015 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Chairman's Report (Annex 1)

The Chairman drew attention to circulated copies.

4. Update on neighbourhood planning processes and current major housing developments

Claverham Neighbourhood Plan

Chris Moore updated residents. A draft of the Plan documents had been submitted to a village meeting on 18 March attended by 105 residents.

Chris also referred to the Village Green application for land next to Chestnut Drive. It was likely that an Inspector would hold a public inquiry on the application, but also to determine whether a 'trigger event' had occurred.

Finally Chris mentioned a recent High Court case (*Forest of Dean District Council v Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government & Anor* [2016] EWHC 421) which might affect how planning applications related to listed buildings and heritage assets were dealt with.

Yatton Neighbourhood Plan

Rhiannon Prys-Owen updated residents (presentation at Annex 2). There had been wide consultation on the priorities for the village.

Some residents questioned why the Neighbourhood Plan process had not been started earlier

Cumulative effect of major housing development

Residents considered that North Somerset Council should take into account the cumulative environmental effect of major development.

Steve Bridger proposed the following Question for consideration by the Meeting:

'Should North Somerset Council conduct an immediate and comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment on the collective impact of all the proposed and approved housing developments at North End, Yatton?'

The Question was put to the Meeting and there was an overwhelming 'Yes' vote.

A poll was demanded on the Question by more than ten electors, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 18, Schedule 12, Local Government Act 1972.

It was also RESOLVED that 'this Meeting asks Yatton Parish Council to ask Dr Liam Fox MP to ask the Secretary of State to call in the outline applications by Bloor Homes and Hallam Land Management relating to land at North End, Yatton'.

5. Presentations by organisations funded by Yatton Parish Council and other local organisations

(a) Community Drugs & Alcohol Misuse Forum

Alan Emery summarised the work of the Forum. The grant from the Parish Council was used to pay the costs of transport for children from Yatton to attend drugs awareness sessions in Nailsea.

(b) Weston DIAL (Disability Information & Advice Line)

Gilliam Hopkins described the work of Weston DIAL and thanked the Parish Council for their support.

(c) Stepping Stones Community Pre-School

Sarah Palmer described the work of the Pre-School. She emphasised that it was a voluntary group run by parents that had nevertheless received an Outstanding OFSTED report.

(d) West of England MS Therapy Centre submitted a written report (Annex 3).

(e) Claverham, Clevedon & District Guide Dogs submitted a written report (Annex 4).

(f) Vision North Somerset

Nicki Derrick described the work of the charity and thanked the Parish Council for their grant towards volunteers' expenses.

(g) Community First Responder Service

Mike Petersen, Community Responder, summarised the work of this service. The ambulance service had withdrawn funding but the First Responder Service had obtained sponsorship.

(h) Yatton United Charities

Alison Storm had taken over from Mary Langson as Clerk to the Trustees. The number of applications had fallen over the years and the Trustees were looking at ways to apply the funds.

(i) Rock Road War Memorial

Rhiannon Prys-Owen reported that the Parish Council was assessing the need for work, including structural work, on the War Memorial and garden

(j) Yatton Youth Club

Niccy Hook summarised the work of Yatton Youth Club.

6. Volunteer of the Year

The Clerk read the nominations for Volunteer of the Year:

Tula Harwood, Yatton Rugby Club
Mary Langson, Yatton United Charities
Debbie Marriner, Weston DIAL

The Chairman announced that the winner was Mary Langson

7. Questions from the floor.

None

The Chairman thanked all those who had contributed and declared the meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

Chairman

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