

**Minutes Ansford Parish Council DRAFT**

**October Parish Council Meeting Held at the Betty Churchouse Room, Caryford Hall on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr. D. Elson  
 Cllr. N. Begg  
 Cllr. G. Clothier  
 Cllr. C. Edwards

**In attendance:** District Cllr. Henry Hobhouse  
 District Cllr. Nick Weeks  
 County Cllr. Mike Lewis  
 Mrs. H. Moore [parish clerk]

**Parishioners:** 4 present

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226/14	<b>Apologies</b> Cllr. D. Pinnions due to a previous engagement C.C.Madam Chairman Liz Stokes due to illness	
227/14	<b>Minutes of previous meetings.</b> 1. The minutes of the Ansford Parish Council meeting of 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2014 were <b>Resolved</b> by those present to be an accurate record and were then signed as such by the Chairman.	
228/14	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> The Chairman advised that if anyone had a personal &/or pecuniary interest on any matter on the agenda they should declare this when appropriate.	
229/14	<b>Open Forum</b> No issues raised	
230/14	<b>Matter Arising from the previous minutes:</b> 1. <b>Cheque Signatories</b> – letter received requesting further signatures on mandate – to be signed at end of meeting. 2. <b>Gate at Wyke Road</b> – concerns were raised re the condition of this entrance to Coombe Bottom - councillors to visit and consider this at the next parish council meeting. 3. <b>Fairground field</b> –The initial joint meeting proposed a committee of 3 councillors from each side with a youth representative to be sought. The financial costs of the land and maintenance costs proposed to be split along the historic 1/3 – 2/3 arrangement. a. It was <b>Resolved</b> that the representatives from Ansford Parish Council would be Councillors Begg, Edwards & Elson. b. It was advised that the first meeting would be at 6pm at the Market House on 24 <sup>th</sup> October. c. It was <b>Resolved</b> that the sum of £2,000 [two thousand pounds] be paid to Castle Cary Town Council every year for the next 15 years as the parish council contribution to the land purchase costs with maintenance costs being allocated as required. 4. <b>Neighbourhood Plan</b> – The benefits of the proposal for a joint plan with Castle Cary Town Council were outlined by Mr. Holt in the absence of Liz Stokes [Castle Cary TC Madam Chairman] and considered by the council. a. It was <b>Resolved</b> to prepare a joint neighbourhood plan for Ansford & Castle Cary b. It was <b>Resolved</b> that Cllr. N. Begg to be the representative for Ansford Parish Council Mr. Holt agreed to advise council of the next meeting of the working group.	All  NB CE DE         NB

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	<p>5. <b>Casual Vacancies</b> – To date one application had been received with the information provided being circulated to all councillors.</p> <p>a. It was <b>Resolved</b> that Mr. Alan Gibbons be co-opted onto Ansford Parish Council</p> <p>b. Mr. Gibbons signed the declaration of acceptance of office and joined the council</p> <p>6. <b>Ansford Parish Council Website</b> – This had been available to view over the last month as a trial.</p> <p>a. It was <b>Resolved</b> to formally adopt the web site at a cost of £25.00 per annum</p> <p>b. It was <b>Resolved</b> that in an emergency the Chairman and Clerk can authorise items to be placed on the website</p>	Clerk
231/14	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>1. Foxes Run Castle Cary – potential leisure planning obligations – these had been agreed as previously circulated.</p> <p>2. The Nurseries Upper High Street Castle Cary – Application for revision of conditions. [planning application for housing previously approved] Consultation received as access within Ansford Parish.</p> <p>Following discussion of side road access at Ancastle and pedestrian access &amp; safety it was <b>Resolved</b> to recommend refusal of this application with the following comments:</p> <p>a. Council considers a mini round-a- bout would be better than traffic lights at this location as it would provide a better flow of traffic from the minor roads</p> <p>b. Pedestrian crossings would be needed to be installed for safety</p> <p>3. Priddles Hill Farm – Council was advised that concerns had been raised with the planning enforcement team by the neighbouring parish with regard to a possible contravention of planning at this location.</p> <p>It was reported that noise nuisance was occurring at weekends – Clerk was requested to report this.</p> <p>It was noted that possible fly tipping was occurring nearby – Councillor Elson agreed to look into this.</p>	Clerk          Clerk  DE
232/14	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>1. <b>Castle Moat Project</b> – A letter had been circulated to all councillors with regard to this matter and District Councillor H Hobhouse provided further information.</p> <p>a. It was <b>Resolved</b> that a donation of £50 be made and sent with a letter of support from the parish council.</p> <p>2. <b>CaryFord Community Hall</b> – It was <b>Resolved</b> to continue with the annual hiring agreement which was then signed by the Chairman.</p> <p>3. <b>Speed Indicator Advice Report</b> – Data received from the last installation at Cumnock Road was provided to those present. It was noted that the trial at Clanville was being well received by residents . District Councillor Hobhouse requested to be provided with the results of this trial when received.</p> <p>It was requested that all Speed Indicator Device Results be posted on the parish Website to be available to all.</p> <p>4. <b>Report from Local Tourism Meeting</b> – It was noted that improved signage was required at the A371 end of the Ansford to train station footpath.</p> <p>It was noted that the path surface was in need of repair at the station end. Cllr. Edwards agreed to investigate repair possibilities for this patch.</p> <p>5. <b>Playfest</b> – Letter received thanking council for their donation.</p>	Clerk          Clerk  Clerk  CE

	<p>6. <b>Letter received from a resident</b> – re the condition of the bus stop – Councillor Edwards agreed to check this &amp; investigate possibilities.</p> <p>7. <b>South Somerset District Council</b> – Council tax workshop on 13<sup>th</sup> November at 10am at the council offices. It was agreed that the Clerk would attend</p> <p>8. <b>Youth Matters</b> – The agreed annual contribution of £2,000 had been invoiced for along with a request to continue with the three year rolling agreement. It was <b>Resolved</b> that council continue with this arrangement and consider as part of the budget.</p>	CE  Clerk																																
233/14	<p><b>Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Council for Somerset Invitation – noted</li> <li>- Eat Cary Invitation – noted</li> <li>- SSDC press releases re Housing Assembly &amp; WW1 booklet – noted</li> <li>- Somerset Community Justice Newsletter - noted</li> </ul>																																	
234/14	<p><b>Accounts</b></p> <p>A financial report that included a bank reconciliation and progress against this years budget was provided to all Ansford parish councillors.</p> <p>It was <b>Resolved</b> to book the Betty Churchouse room for a budget planning meeting on either 19<sup>th</sup> November or 3<sup>rd</sup> December [ 7pm start]</p> <p>It was <b>Resolved</b> that the following payments were approved by council with cheques to be signed at the end of the meeting:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>supplier</i></th> <th><i>Description</i></th> <th><i>Cheque No.</i></th> <th><i>Amount</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>Tax re Clerks pay Month 7 [to 28<sup>th</sup> October ]</td> <td>101197</td> <td>£ 57.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caryford community hall</td> <td>Meeting room hire July &amp; August</td> <td>101198</td> <td>£ 25.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A Wadman</td> <td>Grass cutting August &amp; September 2014 [4xgreens +2xCoombe]</td> <td>101199</td> <td>£ 370.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Abbott Rural Services</td> <td>Work at Coombe Bottom Gate &amp; supply of locks</td> <td>101200</td> <td>£ 222.75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth Matters</td> <td>2014/15 Donation as budgeted</td> <td>101201</td> <td>£2,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Moat Garden Project</td> <td>Donation as agreed</td> <td>101202</td> <td>£ 50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>total</b></td> <td></td> <td><b>£ 2,724.95</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>supplier</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Cheque No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	HMRC	Tax re Clerks pay Month 7 [to 28 <sup>th</sup> October ]	101197	£ 57.00	Caryford community hall	Meeting room hire July & August	101198	£ 25.20	A Wadman	Grass cutting August & September 2014 [4xgreens +2xCoombe]	101199	£ 370.00	Abbott Rural Services	Work at Coombe Bottom Gate & supply of locks	101200	£ 222.75	Youth Matters	2014/15 Donation as budgeted	101201	£2,000.00	Moat Garden Project	Donation as agreed	101202	£ 50.00		<b>total</b>		<b>£ 2,724.95</b>	Clerk
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235/14	<p><b>Matters to report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wyke road surface condition and pot holes – to report to Highways</li> <li>- Over grown footpath- Cllr Edwards to email Clerk with grid reference &amp;/or path reference</li> <li>- Local Fire Station open day this Saturday 10.30 am to 4pm</li> <li>- Street Scene were aware of condition of Monarchs &amp; McMillans Ways &amp; they are under consideration for a plan of works subject to financial constraints.</li> </ul>	Clerk  CE																																
<p><b>The meeting then closed</b></p> <p><b>Date of next meeting Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2014</b></p>																																		