

## Minutes Ansford Parish Council

**MARCH Parish Council Meeting Held at the Betty Churchouse Room, Caryford Hall  
on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2015 at 7.00pm**

### Present:

Cllr. D. Elson  
Cllr. N. Begg [arrived during the meeting]  
Cllr. G. Clothier  
Cllr. C. Edwards

Cllr. A. Gibbons  
Cllr. D. Pinnions

### In attendance:

District Cllr. Henry Hobhouse  
Mrs. H. Moore [parish clerk]

### Parishioners:

**nine**

Ref:		Action:
29/ 015	<p><b><u>7pm Confidential Closed Session.</u></b> It was <b>Resolved</b> that from the start of April 2015 the salary scale point for Ansford Parish Clerk would be LC1 Substantive – point 22</p>	
30/2015	<p><b><u>7.30pm Monthly parish Council meeting open to all.</u></b> <i>Councillor Nigel Begg arrived at this point.</i> <b><u>Apologies</u></b> District Councillor Nick Weeks County Councillor Mike Lewis due to Health issues.</p>	
31/2015	<p><b><u>Minutes of previous meetings.</u></b> 1. The minutes of the Ansford Parish Council meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> February 2015 were <b>Resolved</b> by those present to be an accurate record and were then signed as such by the Chairman.</p>	
32/2015	<p><b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b> The Chairman advised that if anyone had a personal &amp;/or pecuniary interest on any matter on the agenda they should declare this when appropriate.</p>	
33/2015	<p><b><u>Reports from District &amp; County Councillors:</u></b> 1. D.Cllr. H. Hobhouse –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Dimmer application is to go to regulation on the 16<sup>th</sup> April.</li> <li>• Priddles Hill – enforcement action going ahead with buildings being taken down. The next consideration is noise pollution</li> <li>• An extraordinary meeting of the area east committee is to be held in order to discuss the Foxes Run application.</li> </ul>	
34/2015	<p><b><u>Open Forum :</u></b> - No issues raised that are not on the agenda.</p>	
35/2015	<p><b><u>Planning</u></b> 1. <b><u>APPLICATIONS TO CONSIDER:</u></b> <b>15/00519/OUT – Land East of Station Road ANSFORD - residential development of up to 75 dwellings with associated means of access with all other matters reserved.</b>  <i>[Councillor Clothier declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion and did not vote on the matter]</i>  The Chairman provided opportunity for residents to speak on the application prior to discussion by council  Ansford Parish Council <b>Resolved to Object</b> to this planning application for the following reasons:  A. This is a <b>grazed greenfield site</b> and located at a distance from the local community facilities within Ansford and Castle Cary B. <b>Overloading of local infrastructure</b> - with particular concerns being raised with regard to</p>	Clerk

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2.	<p>the <b>local sewerage system</b> and the <b>capacity of roads</b> in the area - a cumulative impact assessment is required due to the number of developments being proposed for this area and should be requested prior to any decision being made.</p> <p>C. This application will add to an <b>over development of the parish</b> which will cause it to exceed the numbers outlined within the local five year housing supply plan.</p> <p>D. No submission with regard to the <b>viability</b> of a housing development at this location has been made</p> <p>E. <b>No pre planning advise</b> has been taken</p> <p><b><u>Request for clarification re play contributions from local developments.</u></b></p> <p>Following discussion it was <b>Resolved</b> that Ansford parish council would consider that <b>initially</b> smaller on site provision would be appropriate in order to provide close to home smaller play areas.</p> <p>However, in the longer term, larger off site provision within the parish, as currently being considered by the local neighbourhood planning group, would be viewed in a positive manner.</p> <p><i>Councillor Diana Pinnions left the meeting at this point</i></p> <p><b>Other planning applications or updates received</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Letter from resident re Priddle Hill Farm – it was noted that this concern had been discussed during D.Cllr. Hobhouses report.</li> <li>2. CaryFord Community hall Extension planning application granted with conditions</li> <li>3. 13/03593/OUT land off Station Road at Well Farm – Granted</li> <li>4. Larger Home Ext – 2 Orchard Close – Granted</li> <li>5. Newstead Station Road – single storey dwelling – Granted</li> <li>6. 14/02020 Torbay Road – Further information with regard to a requested traffic impact assessment had been received.</li> </ol> <p>Following discussion of the amended plans / additional information recently received for this application, it was <b>Resolved</b> that <b>Ansford parish council consider that a local cumulative traffic impact assessment for this application is required</b> and support South Somerset District Council in their attempts to obtain one.</p> <p>Council would further request that a local cumulative traffic impact assessment be submitted with all housing development planning applications in this area.</p> <p>This comment was made on the grounds of both local highway safety and capacity.</p>	Clerk
36/2015	<p><b><u>Matter Arising from the previous minutes:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Station footpath &amp; signage</b> – Signs up</li> <li>2. <b>No Dog Signage for parish greens</b> – Cllr. Edwards awaiting contact from Mr. Wadman</li> <li>3. <b>Village Notice boards</b> – Woodforde Green notice boards completed. Ancastle to be done next.</li> </ol> <p>The Clerk reported problems with the Ancastle noticeboard - Clerk could not open it. Cllr. Edwards stated that he would investigate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. <b>Highway concerns around the Parish</b> – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. It was reported that there will be a delay in the receipt of the latest SID report due to technical issues.</li> <li>b. It was reported that the A371 would soon be subject to road safety improvements. Within Ansford this will result in the 30mph speed limit being extended out past the railway station to the parish boundary.</li> <li>c. It was reported that there had been 3 accidents at the Wagon &amp; Horses in as</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	CE CE CE

	<p>many months. The Clerk was requested to contact Highways with regard to the consideration of improved warning notices and / or other traffic calming measures at this location.</p> <p>d. The White line at the top of Ansford Hill – it was noted that at a site meeting last year highways had agreed to remove this in order to advise larger vehicles of the narrowness of the road, decrease the incidents of broken off wing mirrors and kerb mounting etc. The works have not yet been carried out. The Clerk was requested to chase up on this matter</p>	Clerk
37/2015	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Neighbourhood Plan – update received. Timescale currently considered to be 15 months. Cllr. N.Begg will be attending a training course in the near future.</li> <li>- Traffic at Cary Hill – Letter from a resident. It <b>was Resolved</b> that Highways be requested to install a permanent speed camera or take other action to ensure that the speed limit at this location is enforced.</li> <li>- Castle Cary &amp; Ansford Carnival Society – Funding Request – It was <b>Resolved</b> that a donation of £250.00 be made. [Clerk advised that a transfer from another budget area would be required as the current budget for donations would be exceeded and this was agreed by council]</li> <li>- St John’s Ambulance – Funding Request – DEFERRED to April parish council meeting.</li> <li>- Advice letter re library services – noted</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>NB</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
38/2015	<p><b>Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Annual Review of Ansford Standing Orders &amp; Code of Conduct – It was <b>Resolved</b> to adopt these as circulated.</li> <li>- May 7<sup>th</sup> Election information – noted</li> <li>- May 13<sup>th</sup> Council meeting will be the Annual and Monthly meeting of the parish council.</li> <li>- The Annual Ansford public meeting of the parish to be arranged for 20<sup>th</sup> May with 27<sup>th</sup> May as back up if the room is already booked.</li> <li>- Grant Thornton – Annual return training opportunity – Clerk to attend</li> <li>- Garden Waste charged for collection notices - noted</li> </ul>	
39/2015	<p><b>Accounts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A financial report that included a bank reconciliation and progress against this years budget was provided to all Ansford parish councillors.</li> <li>- Fair field/ Five Acre Field agreement &amp; payments – It was reported that an invoice from CCTC had been received. The Clerk as the Responsible financial officer, advised that no formal documentation with regard to the Public Works Loan Board [PWLB] loan had been received and no written confirmation of joint land ownership.</li> </ul> <p>It was <b>Resolved</b> that Ansford parish council confirmed its intention to support the project financially however a schedule of PWLB repayments and information as to the total commitment were to be requested along with ownership documentation or an outline of the progress made to date with regard to the transfer of the field into joint ownership as previously agreed</p>	Clerk

	<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 12 [to 28<sup>th</sup> March 2015]</td> <td>101220</td> <td>£ 57.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>emprint</td> <td>Footpath to Station signs</td> <td>101221</td> <td>£ 14.76</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CaryFord C. Hall</td> <td>Room hire invoices 15022 &amp; 15043</td> <td>101222</td> <td>£ 37.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Castle Cary TC</td> <td>Annual contribution re joint newsletter</td> <td>101223</td> <td>£ 911.61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SSDC</td> <td>Car Park Compensation Scheme [revised invoice]</td> <td>101224</td> <td>£ 1,865.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H Moore</td> <td>Refund of expenses jan feb &amp; march 2015</td> <td>101225</td> <td>£ 51.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>total</b></td> <td></td> <td><b>£ 2,938.41</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Additional cheques authorised &amp; raised during meeting [if any]: Castle Cary &amp; Ansford Carnival Society £250.00</b></p>	<i>supplier</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Cheque No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	HMRC	Tax re Clerks pay Month 12 [to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2015]	101220	£ 57.00	emprint	Footpath to Station signs	101221	£ 14.76	CaryFord C. Hall	Room hire invoices 15022 & 15043	101222	£ 37.80	Castle Cary TC	Annual contribution re joint newsletter	101223	£ 911.61	SSDC	Car Park Compensation Scheme [revised invoice]	101224	£ 1,865.60	H Moore	Refund of expenses jan feb & march 2015	101225	£ 51.64						<b>total</b>		<b>£ 2,938.41</b>	Clerk
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40/2015	<p><b><u>Matters to report</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cllr. Edwards reported the proposal for a SW Trains Yeovil to Waterloo service Which was met with approval.</li> <li>- The opening of a new business next to the station was noted</li> <li>- Tipping at Priddle Hill Farm appeared to be ongoing – to be reported</li> <li>- Cllr. A Gibbons agreed to replace Cllr D Elson as the official council representative to the CaryFord Community Hall committee</li> <li>- It was noted that the Air Cadets no longer had a local civilian council</li> <li>- Rd out of Clanville to be closed overnight oOn March 19<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> to check on condition of underside of bridge</li> <li>- Overgrown Hedge reported by Resident – Cllr. Edwards to check</li> <li>- Fence down in Solomans lane – to report</li> <li>- Run off ongoing from Maggs lane into the entrance of Coombe Bottom.</li> </ul>	Clerk  CE																																				
<p><b>The meeting then closed</b> <b>Date of next meeting Wednesday 8th APRIL 2015</b></p>																																						