

**Minutes Ansford Parish Council  
WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 Monthly Parish Council Meeting Held at the Betty Churchouse Room,  
CaryFord Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr. A. Gibbons Cllr. G. Clothier  
Cllr. N. Begg Cllr. D. Pinnions  
Cllr. C. Edwards

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

**Parishioners:** **Two** [Heather & Liz Stokes]

Ref:		Action:
86/2015	<b>Apologies</b> None received from councillors	
87/2015	<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 & leave the room when appropriate	CE
88/2015	<b>To approve minutes of previous meetings</b> The minutes of the meetings of 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2015 & 10 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 were RESOLVED [5/nil] to be accurate records and were then signed as such by the Chairman.	CE & Clerk
89/2015	<b>Reports from PCSO, District &amp; County Councillors</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCSO –           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It was reported that there was a 14.7% in crime. It was noted that this could in part be accounted for by the changes made earlier this year to how crime is reported.</li> <li>2. A general warning was made re Non dwelling burglaries [ie to sheds &amp; garages]</li> <li>3. Parish priorities were noted as Traffic &amp; Foot patrols</li> <li>4. A brief discussion was has re volunteer special constables</li> </ol>           PCSO Tim Russell was thanked for his attendance and left the meeting at this point.         </li> <li>• County Cllr. Mike Lewis –           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The health and wellbeing fund is open and applications for sums upward from £250 are welcomed up to January 2016. Both councils and groups may apply. The fund would not be allocating monies toward defibrillators.</li> <li>2. General concerns re police funding cuts and potential impact on PCSO's.</li> <li>3. It was noted that Council requested the Clerk to write to Sue Mountstevens arguing against any cuts to neighbourhood policing.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• District Councillor Nick Weeks –           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Council was advised that South Somerset District Council was considered as no longer being able to prove a five year housing supply and as such were returned to the National Planning Policy Framework and the presumption in favour of sustainable development.</li> <li>2. Council was advised of a meeting to consider proposals on the local pavilion on Tuesday October 6<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm – venue to be advised.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• District Cllr. Henry Hobhouse advised he had nothing further to add at this time, but would contribute during the meeting as required.</li> </ul>	Clerk
90/2015	<b>Open Forum :</b>	

	No issues raised. The Chairman thanked the residents for their ongoing attendance.	
91/2015	<p><b>Planning:</b></p> <p><b>a. Within Ansford:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notification of intent to fell two cyprus trees – half moon cottage – noted</li> <li>2. Rear extension to 25 Churchfield Drive – approved</li> <li>3. For information application <b>15/03441/REM – Well Farm Lower Ansford</b> – this application had been sent to the wrong parish and was therefore not put onto this agenda. The application will be considered at the next parish council meeting.</li> </ol> <p><b>b. Dimmer concrete batching plant –</b>          Cllr. Henry Hobhouse advised that the Inspector would be visiting the site on 15<sup>th</sup> September and Ansford Parish Council were invited to send two representatives meeting at the entrance to the old cow burning plant at 1.30pm. Cllrs. Alan Gibbons &amp; Nigel Begg agreed to attend.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>AG &amp; NB</p>
92/2015	<p><b>Matters arising from the previous minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Co-option of two Councillors to fill current vacancies</b> – no co option occurred</li> <li>- <b>Annual Meeting Proposals</b> – under consideration – on to next agenda</li> <li>- <b>Fairground field –</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. It was reported that clear signage for the field was to be costed.</li> <li>b. Landscape architect had been selected to create a ‘base’ drawing for the area and illustrate ways in which the “wants” requested by the public could be incorporated into the area.</li> <li>c. Ansford Parish Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to contribute up to £500 [one third of total estimated cost ] from this financial years budget toward the cost of the above.</li> <li>d. The question had been raised as to whether planning permission would be required for a change of use and this was being investigated by the Fairfield group.</li> <li>e. It was noted that making an area fully accessible can be costly</li> <li>f. A coffee morning about the project had been arranged for Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October.</li> </ol> </li> <li>- <b>Neighbourhood Plan</b> – It was noted that an official draft document was currently being created as the next stage of the neighbourhood planning process was to go out to a formal consultation. An informal up date for all residents would be available at the coffee morning on 24<sup>th</sup> October at the Shambles.</li> <li>- <b>Signage on the Village Greens</b> – Positive feed back had been received with regard to the ‘no dogs’ signage installed.              It was <b>RESOLVED</b> by council to install a further sign at Woodforde Green, on the area closest to the Church Wall, as requested by a resident. The Chairman agreed to arrange this with Mr. Wadman.</li> <li>- <b>Jubilee Gardens Mini Park</b> – The Chairman and Mr. Wadman had arranged to carry out the required work in conjunction with the adjoining property owner. It was due to occur in the near future.</li> <li>- <b>Trees around the Parish</b> – It was noted that the dead Walnut Tree at Churchfield Drive had been removed. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the tree would be replaced with one or more trees. Options to be investigated by the Chairman. This item is to be carried forward onto the October agenda.</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>CE</p> <p>CE</p> <p>CE Clerk</p>

93/2015	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Resident re concerns about trees at Woodforde Green</b> – Photographs of the area were provided to councillors in attendance. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to arrange a site meeting with the official arborist based at the District Council Offices Brympton way in order for Ansford parish council to be able to make a fully informed decision.</li> <li>- <b>Highways re land ownership clarification</b> – circulated and D.Cllr. Henry Hobhouse able to confirm.</li> <li>- <b>Speed reduction wheelie bin stickers</b> – noted</li> <li>- <b>Youth Matters [YM] Meeting</b> –             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cllr. A. Gibbons had attended and reported that the Youth Matters group had withdrawn from their contract with the Somerset Rural Youth Project.</li> <li>2. It was also noted that Ansford Academy had now ceased to be a stakeholder.</li> <li>3. YM were currently liaising with another company to provide interim services.</li> <li>4. In the longer term it was reported that it was likely that a decision would be reached to either continue with this company or open a contract with a self employed youth worker to cover all the clubs in the area covered by Youth Matters.</li> <li>5. It was noted that all stakeholders needed to be kept more informed and up to date with what was happening with the YM project. Overall communications needed to be improved.</li> </ol> </li> <li>- <b>Historic England re Ansford War Memorial</b> - noted</li> </ul>	CE Clerk																				
94/2015	<p><b>Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reminder of the new SCC contact number : 0300 123 2224</li> <li>- Notification of SALC AGM on 26/09/2015</li> <li>- SS Assoc for voluntary &amp; Community Action Fair 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 2015 Yeovil</li> <li>- S Somerset Together, the local strategic partnership notification of a housing assembly on 12/11/2015</li> <li>- Area East Bulletin September 2015</li> </ul>																					
95/2015	<p><b>Accounts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Monthly Financial report</b> – this was <b>RESOLVED</b> to be accurate and signed as such by Cllr. Diana Pinnions.</li> <li>- <b>Invoices for Payment</b> - The following payments were <b>RESOLVED</b> to be agreed with cheques to be signed at the end of the meeting:</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="240 1615 1383 1942"> <thead> <tr> <th>Name</th> <th>Reason</th> <th>Cheque No.</th> <th>Amount £</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A. Wadman</td> <td>2 x cuts of greens 1x cut Coombe Bottom</td> <td>101249</td> <td>£ 200.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HM Revenue &amp; customs</td> <td>Tax Month six</td> <td>101250</td> <td>£ 73.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chris Edwards</td> <td>Expenses refund re notice boards</td> <td>101251</td> <td>£ 55.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CaryFord Community Hall</td> <td>Invoices 15146 &amp; 15164 re room hire</td> <td>101252</td> <td>£ 25.20</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Name	Reason	Cheque No.	Amount £	A. Wadman	2 x cuts of greens 1x cut Coombe Bottom	101249	£ 200.00	HM Revenue & customs	Tax Month six	101250	£ 73.00	Chris Edwards	Expenses refund re notice boards	101251	£ 55.16	CaryFord Community Hall	Invoices 15146 & 15164 re room hire	101252	£ 25.20	
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	SSDC	Car Park Compensation scheme	101253	£	1,985.60
	A Maistrello	Tree Felling Annual Data	101254	£	400.00
	ICO	Protection Registration fee	101255	£	35.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>£</b>	<b>2773.96</b>

96/2015	<p><b><u>Matters to report not listed on the Agenda</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CCS Digital Matters – Cllr. Alan Gibbons attended and the power point presentation will be circulated once received</li> <li>- The pavement on Ansford Hill was once again becoming obstructed by brambles and nettles.</li> <li>- Wyke Road Signs and others around the parish were becoming obscured by overgrowing vegetation</li> <li>- The Surface of Ansford Park Land [adopted] was breaking up</li> <li>- Beacons at the Zebra Crossing were becoming obscured by overhanging vegetation – Cllr Chris Edwards agreed to check this.</li> <li>- Box Tunnel – 1<sup>st</sup> Phase completed and the train surface is currently back to normal</li> <li>- District Councillor Henry Hobhouse advised of the Viridor Liaison meeting occurring tomorrow [Thursday 10th September</li> <li>- District Councillor Nick Weeks advised that the Clerks contact number on the back page of the newsletter was incorrect – Clerk advised that she had already informed the people concerned but would try again and advised that the contact details next to the Ansford article were correct – only the back contact list had not been amended.</li> </ul> <p><b>THE MEETING THEN CLOSED</b></p>				
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**Date of next meeting Parish Council Meeting : Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2015 7.30PM in the Betty Churchouse room at CaryFord Community Hall**