



**Minutes of the Ansford Parish Council Monthly Meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at Caryford Hall at 7.30 pm.**

Present: Cllr. C. Edwards, Cllr. A. Gibbons, Cllr. N. Begg

In attendance: District, District Cllr N. Weeks, District Cllr. H. Hobhouse,  
G. A. McCarthy (Parish Clerk),

Parishioners: 1

**079/2018 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr. D. Pinions, Cllr. G. Clothier, County Cllr. M. Lewis and PCSO E. Reeves.

**080/2018 Declarations of Interest**

The Chair advised that if anyone had a personal and/or pecuniary interest on any matter on the agenda they should declare this and leave the room when appropriate.

**081/2018 Minutes of Previous Meetings**

The minutes of the parish council meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 that had been circulated to all councillors, were RESOLVED (3-0-0) to be an accurate record and were then signed as such by the Chair.

**082/2018 Reports from Police and District and County Councillors**

District Cllr. N. Weeks reported that the grant requested by Caryford Community Hall to the value of £12,500 had been authorised. Following the reorganisation at SSDC numerous senior managers were departing the organisation. The planning department is particularly short of resources at present. A further hearing is being scheduled for the Wayside Farm development planning application. Ansford Parish Council were advised to appraise itself over existing S106 funding as apparently changes are being made without discussion and consultation.

**083/2018 Open Forum for Residents**

No topics were raised.

**084/2018 Planning**

a) Within Ansford Parish:

- 18/03653/PAMB – Barn rear of Wychwood Cottage, Ansford Hill, Ansford, Castle Cary, Somerset – Notification for prior approval or the change of

use of existing agricultural building to a dwelling – Mr & Mrs Berry.  
Ansford Parish Council are to investigate this application in more detail prior to responding with comments.

- b) Outside Ansford Parish:
  - No applicable applications to report.
  
- c) Any Planning Decisions Reported:
  - No applicable applications to report.
  
- d) General Planning Considerations and Reports to Discuss:
  - Nothing to report.

**085/2018 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

- a) Joint finance meeting held with CCTC:  
Feedback on this meeting was provided. Discussion with CCTC reference cost sharing and the impact on precepts were not conclusive. A further meeting is planned for the 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 to discuss the sharing of financial contributions.
  
- b) Footpaths, Roads and Traffic around the Parish:  
Following repairs completed to underground utilities under Maggs Lane, confirmation has been received that the repair of this road is scheduled for the next financial year.

Confirmation has been received that grit bins will be filled this winter.

The B3153 liaison group recently met. The installation of driving speed signs is under review. Permanent ones will require an energy source and can cost in excess of £2000. Portable ones are more expensive initially but can be used in various locations as required. The possible use of sponsors is being investigated. Approaches have been made to the police to identify all of the instances that have occurred on the B3153. A meeting took place with Wyke Farms to discuss the impact of their large tractors and trailers. Wyke Farms are providing training for their drivers on road matters. A change to the existing Dimmer Lane STP sign is under review as it is considered not totally suitable. Apparently traffic calming measures installed in Templecombe have proved unpopular with local residents

**086/2018 Correspondence**

Notification of CCTC Christmas Social which will be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

Details on a workshop on the setting of Council Tax has been received.

**087/2018 Information**

The joint APC/CCTC Parish Meeting is proposed for the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019. It was RESOLVED (3-0-0) to agree to this joint meeting and date.

Information has been received on new regulations applicable to web sites for accessibility. Changes will need to be made by the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020.

The SALC AGM will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at Edgar Hall, Somerton.

Notification that the Ansford and Castle Cary Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted to SSDC and that a consultation period is in progress which will continue until the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

**088/2018      Accounts**

- a) As discussions on setting of the 2019/2020 budget are still ongoing authorisation was deferred to next months meeting.
- b) Monthly Financial Report:  
The monthly financial report that included progress against the budget and a bank reconciliation to the most up to date bank statements received was provided to the Council to review. It was RESOLVED (3-0-0) to be an accurate record and signed by Cllr. A. Gibbons as such.
- c) Invoices for Payment:  
It was RESOLVED (3-0-0) that the following are authorised for payment:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>CHQ No.</u>	<u>AMOUNT £</u>
C. Edwards	Expenses recompense	101428	10.00
G McCarthy	Salary December	101429	390.00
HMRC	Tax deductions for December	101430	10.00

**089/2018      Matters to Report not listed on the Agenda** (Note: No decisions can be made on these items)

- a) At a recent Dimmer Waste Liaison Group meeting it was noted that the B3153 and A371 are not identified as freight routes or link roads, despite all the evidence otherwise.