

Minutes Ansford Parish Council**WEDNESDAY 14th February 2018 Monthly Parish Council Meeting Held at Caryford Hall at 7.30pm****Present:** Cllr. C. Edwards, Cllr. G. Clothier, Cllr. A. Gibbons, Cllr. N. Begg, Cllr. D. Pinions**In attendance:** District Cllr H. Hobhouse, County Cllr M. Lewis, PCSO T. Russell, Mr G. A. McCarthy [parish clerk]**Parishioners:** 1

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089/2017	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from District Cllr N. Weeks.</p>	
090/2017	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>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.</p>	
091/2017	<p><u>Minutes of Previous Meetings</u></p> <p>The minutes of the parish council meetings of 10th January 2018, that had been circulated to all councillors, were RESOLVED [5.0.0] to be an accurate record and were then signed as such by the Chairman.</p>	
092/2017	<p><u>Reports from Police & District & County Councillors</u></p> <p>District Councillor H. Hobhouse provided a brief update on the SSDC transformation and plans to improve income generation. SSDC are aiming for all future financial transactions to be carried out online however it is planned for a facility to be provided at Market House in Castle Cary for those who do not use computers.</p> <p>County Councillor M. Lewis reported that consultation was continuing on the running of the local library service. It was quite possible that Castle Cary library will be affected and could possibly result in it having to be run by volunteers. It is still the aim to keep the library running. At a recent Area East meeting the topic of council owned buildings was discussed and the requirements to keep them in a better state of repair to ensure long term use or possibility for income generation.</p> <p>PCSO T. Russell provided an update on the latest crime statistics for the Wincanton North Neighbourhood area. Only two crimes were reported in the Ansford parish in the last reporting period. PCSO T. Russell also confirmed that statistics reported included those that had been recorded on the Farmwatch web site but it should be noted that the Farmwatch site covers a much larger geographical area.</p>	
093/2017	<p><u>Open Forum for Residents</u></p> <p>No issues were raised by residents.</p>	
094/2017	<p><u>Planning:</u></p> <p>a. <u>WITHIN ANSFORD</u> 17/04761/FUL – Erection of a two storey rear extension (retrospective) – 6, Orchard Close, Ansford, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7LQ. – Ansford Parish Council RESOLVED [5.0.0] to approve the planning application.</p>	

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	<p>b. OUTSIDE THE PARISH OF ANSFORD An appeal is to be made by Andrew Hopkins Concrete Ltd against the rejection of their planning application for a vehicle valeting site at Dimmer. It was noted that the proposed large HGV vehicle transporters are too large for the existing road infrastructure within the parish of Ansford. It was RESOLVED [5.0.0] to write to the planning inspectorate opposing the appeal.</p> <p>c. ANY PLANNING DECISIONS TO REPORT 17/04851/TPO – Application to carry out surgery works to trees – Land OS4700 Station Road, Ansford, Castle Cary, Somerset – Consent granted.</p> <p>d. GENERAL PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS AND REPORTS TO DISCUSS [IF ANY] It was considered a good idea to arrange a meeting with CCTC to discuss S106 funding applicable to the Almsford Close development. Funding becomes applicable after occupation of the 10th dwelling so this is a while in the future. There had been an issue with unsafe parking by contractors vehicles associated with this site. A letter was sent to Elan Homes who have responded in a positive manner. Work on the Theo Backhouse development is due to commence around the end of February 2018.</p>	Clerk
095/2017	<p><u>Matters arising from the previous minutes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fairfield Construction of the pump park has commenced and is expected to take between four to five weeks. The next two projects for the outdoor gym and adventure playground are fully funded by others, and contractors are currently being selected. Work on the sensory garden is expected to start in the Spring, supported by volunteers and supervised by the Fairfield management group. • Roads and Traffic around the Parish It has been noted that there has been a serious deterioration of road quality in the parish with numerous potholes appearing. It was considered to discuss with CCTC the possible use of SiD’s now that the service is being discontinued. The Council were advised of temporary road closures planned for the following :- Fosse Way, Lydford on Fosse, and Strutters Hill in Pitcombe. A consultation process has commenced reference the A303 Sparkford to Ilchester dualling scheme. • Coombe Bottom Gates and Fencing and Ashlea Fencing Repairs A request for quotations has been sent out to four contractors for these projects. Bids are expected in advance of the next council meeting. • Anti Social Behaviour A meeting was held with CCTC in advance of the PACT meeting scheduled for the 20th February 2018. A litter problem in Maggs Lane has been observed and Ansford Academy have been advised of its present state. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Meeting of the Parish General invites are to be sent out for this event. The Local History Group will again be contacted for a short presentation. • Ansford War Memorial The clerk has been able to contact distant relations of G A Woodforde whose name had not been included on the war memorial. They had no objections to its inclusion. The Royal British Legion also had no objections. It was RESOLVED [5.0.0] to arrange for the addition of the name. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>																														
<p>096/2017</p>	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council have received a progress report on the project to extend Caryford Hall. It was RESOLVED [4.0.1] to continue to support this project with further contributions in the future. The clerk is to write a letter in response. Councillor A. Gibbons declared an interest in this topic. • The Council has received correspondence from SSCAT concerning continuation of the community bus service. There are currently 66 members confirmed for Ansford Parish. SSCAT are to be invited to a Council meeting to discuss the service and possible contributions to its running. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>																														
<p>097/2017</p>	<p><u>Information Received</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Annual Town and Parish Councils meeting has been postponed. • Notification of a change in the process for Register of Interest forms. • Details on training courses for ‘Councillor Essentials’. • Details on refuse and recycling collections during the Easter, may and August holiday weekends. 																															
<p>098/2017</p>	<p><u>Accounts</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grass Cutting Contract – The clerk reported that the contractor currently being used has offered his services again for no increase in cost. It was RESOLVED [5.0.0] to continue with this arrangement. 2. <u>Monthly financial report</u> – 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 all present. This was RESOLVED [5.0.0] to be an accurate record and signed by Cllr. D. Pinions as such. 3. <u>Invoices for payment</u> – It was RESOLVED [5.0.0] that the following are authorised for payment: <table border="1" data-bbox="256 1615 1410 1899"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Name</u></th> <th><u>Reason</u></th> <th><u>Chq No.</u></th> <th><u>Amount £</u></th> <th><u>.</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Loxton & Sons</td> <td>Tree work at Parsons Gate</td> <td>101374</td> <td>£</td> <td>300.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SALC</td> <td>Affiliation Fee</td> <td>101375</td> <td>£</td> <td>264.78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CCTC</td> <td>Newsletter Contribution</td> <td>101376</td> <td>£</td> <td>1035.01</td> </tr> <tr> <td>G McCarthy</td> <td>Salary February 2018</td> <td>50</td> <td>£</td> <td>334.94</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3"></td> <td>£</td> <td>1934.73</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Chq No.</u>	<u>Amount £</u>	<u>.</u>	Loxton & Sons	Tree work at Parsons Gate	101374	£	300.00	SALC	Affiliation Fee	101375	£	264.78	CCTC	Newsletter Contribution	101376	£	1035.01	G McCarthy	Salary February 2018	50	£	334.94				£	1934.73	
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099/2017	Matters to Report not listed on the agenda - [Note: No decisions can be made on these items] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The option to employ a person in conjunction with CCTC for litter picking around the area. • A resident has complained about the use of wooden cladding on new builds in the parish and that it is not in keeping with other buildings. • The neighbourhood plan has been submitted to the printers. 	
THE MEETING THEN CLOSED		
Date of next meeting Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 14th March 2018 commencing at 7.30PM at Caryford Community Hall.		

