



Minutes of the Ansford Parish Council Monthly Meeting held on Wednesday 14th November 2018 at Caryford Hall at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr. C. Edwards, Cllr. G. Clothier, Cllr. A. Gibbons, Cllr. N. Begg, Cllr. D. Pinions

In attendance: County Cllr. M. Lewis, District, District Cllr N. Weeks, District Cllr. H. Hobhouse, G. A. McCarthy (Parish Clerk), S. Snook (CCTC)

Parishioners: 2

068/2018 Apologies

Apologies were received from County Cllr. M. Lewis.

069/2018 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.

070/2018 Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the parish council meeting of the 10th October 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 Chair.

071/2018 Reports from Police and District and County Councillors

The clerk reported that following a reorganisation of the local police areas Emma Reeves will new local PCSO. A web site is available online which shows local reported crimes.

District Cllr. H. Hobhouse reported that the SSDC organisation transformation is now in the final stages with remaining employee's switching to their new job titles. This has resulted in some confusion. Issues with the planning department are expected to be resolved by the end of January 2019. A response to S106 funding associated with the Wayside Farm development has been requested as soon as possible. Area East meetings are to continue.

District Cllr. N. Weeks stated that the Council should hold on for now over the purchase of grit supplies. There have been contradictory statements made by highways over the availability of grit supplies. Information on the Community Infrastructure Levy will be available soon. Currently for Ansford Parish Council this could equate to 15% of the total SiL funding availability with a possible increase to 25%. The SiL funding should become available as new house are constructed. The

availability of social housing should increase in the next few months and local residents should apply as soon as possible.

072/2018 Open Forum for Residents

A local resident raised concerns over changes to the planning application associated with the Wayside Farm development. In particular the possible impact on greens and play areas as well as affordable housing. District Cllr. H. Hobhouse stated that current Government policy allows developers to make a 20% profit. To achieve this developers are claiming that S106 funding, play areas and social housing will need to be removed from new developments. However, any amendment would have to be approved by the local planning department. District Cllr. N. Weeks also responded to these concerns and stated that S106 funding agreements are often reached without consultation with local Councils. The start date for work on the Wayside Farm development is still to be confirmed and is subject to planning permission being granted.

Concern over the impact of the increased population in the area due to the new developments and the impact on local services was also raised. It was reported that there are plans to increase the car park capacity at Castle Cary station however this will need confirming.

073/2018 Planning

a) Within Ansford Parish:

- 18/02986/REM Reserved Matters application for the erection of 125 dwellings, open space, highways, car parking, landscaping and ancillary development - Wayside Farm, Station Road, Ansford, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PA – Engie Regeneration Ltd and Stonewater Developments Ltd. – It was RESOLVED (5-0-0) to reject this request. Ansford Parish Council is to write to the planning department a letter outlining in detail their opposition to this application.

b) Outside Ansford Parish:

- A local hearing has been arranged to discuss the planning application to build 27 dwellings on land adjacent Foxes Run, Bridgwater Buildings, Castle Cary, BA7 7JU.
- The BMI development in Castle Cary will also result in some shared S106 funding for CCTC and Ansford Parish Council.

c) Any Planning Decisions Reported:

- No applicable applications to report.

d) General Planning Considerations and Reports to Discuss:

- Nothing to report.

074/2018 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

a) Fairfield:

A management team is to be set up to take responsibility for the daily maintenance and upkeep of the field. An agreement is being prepared, and local volunteers will be invited to a Saturday Coffee Morning in the New year for selection into this group.

- b) Footpaths, Roads and Traffic around the Parish:
Following repairs completed to underground utilities under Maggs Lane, confirmation will be requested from highways as to whether repairs to the subsided surface can be undertaken again.

The Council have received notification of the closure to Lusty Road on the 29th November 2018.

Details on availability of grit supplies for winter have been received, however following information notified by District Cllr. N. weeks this will be held in abeyance.

Notification has been received of a County wide Parking review. This could potentially include Castle Cary car park, of which Ansford Parish Council make a contribution towards keeping its use free. Ansford Parish Council expressed concern that the notification inferred that the car park review could impact on other local traffic engineering requests.

- c) Joint Meeting with Castle Cary Town Council:
A brief summary was provided of the outcome of the meeting. Items discussed included:
- a) The two Councils will continue to work closely together, especially on projects which affect the safety of both sets of parishioners. As well as on organising events which involve both Parishes.
 - b) Future meetings will be held every six months.
 - c) Ansford Parish Council have proposed using the 'Museum' field as a better site for the possible new primary school.
 - d) Joint funding initiatives between the two Councils. CCTC will write to Ansford Parish Council providing information on where possible joint funding initiatives may be considered.
 - e) Discussion took place on sharing the Annual meeting of the Parish with CCTC. It was RESOLVED (4-0-1) to support this idea.
 - f) Other items included: the library, Fairfield, Big Christmas event, railway station parking, Emily Estate opening.
- d) Donald Pither Pavilion:
CCTC are currently appointing architects to look at improving the facilities of the pavilion. As this is a building and sports field and play areas which are used by both Ansford and Castle Cary residents the Council have been invited to become part of the management group. It was RESOLVED (4-0-1) to support this initiative. A meeting of the Donald Pither Pavilion Trust will be held on the 20th November 2018.
- e) Castle Cary Library:
Plans have been submitted for the running of the library. SCC will provide £5k a year for a period of five years plus an additional £3k to cover staff costs.
- f) Mobile Temporary Speed Indicator Device:
The purchase of these devices was discussed. However, they are quite expensive. Some discussion will take place with CCTC to see whether funding can be shared. Any future purchase will be subject to agreement of the 2019/20 budget requirements.

075/2018 Correspondence

An invitation has been received to the Ansford Academy Year 12 Celebration Evening.

Members of the Council have been invited to the CCTC Christmas Social which will be held on the 21st December 2018.

A local resident has requested some background history on the building adjacent to Ansford Lodge.

Thanks have been received from Castle Cary and Ansford Carnival Society for the support of the Council.

The Council have been notified that SCC will end its role in community leisure facilities. This could impact on the 1610 sports centre.

Caryford Hall will be celebrating its Silver Jubilee on the 30th June 2019.

Ansford Parish Council have received thanks for the work to the War Memorial. letter has been received from descendants of G A Woodforde thanking the Council for the work adding his name to the WW1 names on the War Memorial.

076/2018 Information

Information has been received concerning planned rubbish collection dates over the Christmas and New Year periods.

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

Planned dates for the setting of 2019/20 Council tax have been release as well as details on a workshop to explain the process.

Information has been received on dates and locations for public consultations on changes to the County Councils support and services or children and their families.

077/2018 Accounts

a) 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 (5-0-0) to be an accurate record and signed by Cllr. D. Pinions as such.

b) The clerk requested that the Council allow for replacement of the existing laptop computer and the provision of a mobile phone in setting the next financial years budget.

c) Invoices for Payment:

It was RESOLVED (5-0-0) that the following are authorised for payment:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>CHQ No.</u>	<u>AMOUNT £</u>
CC & A Carnival Society	Donation	101420	325.00
C. Edwards	Expenses recompense	101421	106.18
BGW Solicitors	Fairfield legal costs	101422	600.00
CCTC	Share of Fairfield launch party costs	101423	504.58
CCTC	Fairfield contribution	101424	169.75
G McCarthy	Expenses recompense	101425	65.38
G McCarthy	Salary November	101426	390.00
HMRC	Tax deductions for November	101427	10.00

078/2018 Matters to Report not listed on the Agenda (Note: No decisions can be made on these items)

- a) The Neighbourhood Plan is on its final revision with the review imminent.
- b) Information from attendance at a CPRE meeting which took place in Glastonbury was mentioned.
- c) Apparently take up of house on the Elan Homes development has been slower than anticipated..