



**Minutes of the Ansford Parish Council Monthly Meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Caryford Hall at 7.30 pm.**

Present: Cllr. C. Edwards, Cllr. G. Clothier, Cllr. A. Gibbons, Cllr.J.Birch Cllr. N. Begg, Cllr. B. Williams,  
In attendance: District Cllr. K. Messenger, District Cllr. H. Hobhouse, CC Cllr Mike Lewis & A.Roberts (Parish Clerk)  
Parishioners: None

**055/2019 Apologies**

Apologies :Cllr D.Pinions

**056/2019 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 before any discussion takes place..  
None

**057/2019 Minutes of Previous Meetings**

The minutes of the parish council meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> September that had been circulated to all councilors and were RESOLVED (6-0-0) to be an accurate record and were then signed as such by the Chair.

**058/2019 Reports from Police and District and County Councillors**

District Cllr. H. Hobhouse reported that there were no new matters that directly affected Ansford discussed at the recent Area East Meeting.

Planning application 15/02347/OUT was discussed as it affected both Ansford & Castle Cary. This site has now been purchased by Perissimon Home and proposed changes had been made to the link roads via Torbay Road and the light industrial estate, these do not follows the recently approved Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed that an email would be sent to CCTC confirming that APC would support them in objecting to the proposed changes.

CC Mike Lewis reported that he also had concerns over the viability of having access via Torbay Road for the proposed new light industrial estate on highways issues, high lighting the Foxes Run Application and existing problems in Clanville.

**059/2019 Open Forum for Residents**

No one present at meeting. Clerk had received a telephone call regarding blocked drains opposite Elm Lane despite her having contacted Highways on several occasions. It was agreed that Clerk would write to highways highlighting this problem.

**060/2019 Planning**

a) Within Ansford Parish:

- 190/1840/OUT – Erection of 200 dwellings (70 affordable and 130 open market) assorted highways, draining, landscaping and public open space – Land north of Ansford Hill, Ansford, Castle Cary. Somerset.

This planning application was discussed in details and it was proposed that this application be refused. (6.0.0) Cllr Edwards to word a response giving details for the decision and forward to the planning department.(6.0.0)

- 19/02406/FUL Construction of operational station car park to increase parking capacity at the Castle Cary Station. After discussion it was agreed that APC would recommend approval. This would provide additional parking for 193 car parking spaces.(6.0.0)
  - 19/02231/FUL Proposed use of building and adjacent land for mixed use café, office and light industry (mix B1 & A3) at The Factory Station Wharf, Station Road, Ansford, Castle Cary.  
This application was discussed and it was proposed that we recommend approval but with comments regarding adequate parking, disabled parking and drop off points.(6.0.0)  
Within Castle Cary
  - 19/01871/REM/OUT Station Road, Torbay Road. This amendment to existing outline plans was discussed and it was proposed that APC support CCTC with their concerns regarding access to / from the site and employment area (6.0.0)
- b) General planning considerations to report.

**061/2019 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

a) **Fairfield:**

A successful workday had taken place in the wildlife meadow area. A quote was to be obtained for a zig zag path which, if agreed, could be completed in the Spring, but in the meantime a wood chip path was being considered due to the very muddy conditions. N. Weeks has offered to provide woodchips. Strimming company to carry out October's next cut after the Fair las left the field. Volunteers are still required for an end-of-year maintenance cut on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, for cutting back vegetation and moving piles of cut branches etc.

**Footpaths, Roads and Traffic around the Parish:**

B3153 Liaison Meeting has been held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September attended by Alan Gibbons. Next meeting will be in October where Gary Warren(SSDC) will be present where ongoing issues can be discussed.

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- b) **Coombe Bottom** View Point. A quotation has been received from Stephen & Dyce for cutting back large swathes of nettles and brambles. Suggestion the existing seat be re sited as currently uneven. CE & JB to visit site and report back next meeting with further options

**Agenda**

- c) **St Andrews Church** – overgrown hedgerows. Following several complaints from parishioners, our Council has asked the PCC to host a joint meeting to finally deal with this annual problem, and that not action had been taken, which is very inconsiderate. CE to attend a meeting at St. Andrews and report back at the next meeting.. **Agenda**

- d) **Installation of SID.** BW has circulated' Memorandum of Understanding' regarding the SID which includes questions as exact siting of camera, installation, insurance etc. This was discussed. Two sites were identified in Clanville and Maggs Lane. A traffic engineer will need to visit proposed sites. BW to get more information regarding this.  
Suggestion that CCTC may wish to take advantage of the SID and JB to approach CCTC at next meeting to gauge their response and report back next meeting.

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- e) **Digital Mapping Software** CE attended meeting and reported that this system which would contain, once completed, all information regarding APC with regard to all assets within the parish, including grit bins, seats, footpaths, stiles and other facilities. Linked to this system would be a tool which would

provide and accurate and continuously up to date register which could be used when obtaining insurance quotes. This could be linked to an Insurance Broker /company that would provide quotes for the annual insurance renewal with discretionary prices for being a member. CE to contact CCTC to see if they were using this system.

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- f) **Youth Matters** Cllr Pinions had reported via the Clerk that the Monday Youth Club had closed and the Youth Club was failing with falling numbers. **Agenda**

**062/2019 Correspondence**

- a) Blocked drain opposite Elm Lane – see above.
- b) SSDC – Street Naming & Numbering Dept. A letter had been received advising APC of the Street Names that had been selected for roads at ‘Wayside Farm Site’. These were discussed and it was proposed that the Clerk contact this department expressing their concerns over the choice of names, (6.0.0)

**063/2019 General Information.**

- a) S106 meeting 4.10.2019 –A meeting was convened with CCTC, Jake Hannis, Locality Officer (SSDC), Judi Morison & Clerk CCTC and CE & Clerk to each an understanding regarding the S106 Agreements and allocation of monies from the four housing developments within APC.  
The Ansford & Castle Cary S106 Planning Obligations – Statement of Account Summary had been circulated prior to the meeting and was reviewed and explained. This was discussed at length at the meeting.  
Following an approach from Caryford Hall Committee via CCTC regarding confirmation that monies allocated under the ‘Community Hall’ section of this summary, it was proposed that a resolution be made that all monies available and anticipated on completion of S106 Community Hall section be allocated to the Caryford Hall refurbishment project as follows:  
‘Ansford Parish Council hereby agree that the monies currently held by South Somerset District Council in respect of the S106 Agreements relating to the enhancement of **Community Halls** in Ansford & Castle Cary, should be specifically allocated to Caryford Hall. This arrangement also applies to other S106 agreements for the approved planning applications within Ansford and Castle Cary, as they come on stream in future (ie the expected contributions, but not yet received.’ This was agreed (6.0.0)
- b) The Ambulance Station in Ansford & Castle Cary would close on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020. This ambulance emergency cover would then be transferred to Wincanton Fire Station premises at Bennetts Field. be covered by Wincanton Ambulance Service at Bennetts Field. There would be a 2 person ambulance & equipment allocated to this station.

**064/2019 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 (6-0-0) to be an accurate record and signed by Cllr. Edwards as such.
- b) Invoices for Payment:  
It was RESOLVED (6-0-0) that the following are authorised for payment:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>CHQ No.</u>	<u>AMOUNT £</u>
A.WADMAN	GRASS CUTTING SEPT 2019	101487	288
CASTLE CARY & ANSFORD	CARNIVAL SOCIETY	101488	400
LUKE STEPHENS	MAINTENANCE CUT sept 2019	101489	389

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PFK LITTLEJOHN	AUDIT COSTS AGAR 2018/2019	101490	240
LIGHTHOUSE	PAYROLL	101491	17
INFO COMMISSIONERS	GDPR REG RENEWAL	101492	40
A.ROBERTS	OCT SALARY 2019	101493	304.29
HMRC	CLERK TAX OCT 2019	101494	76
SPANGLEFISH	ANNUAL WEBSITE SUBSCRIPTION	101496	29.95
Total			£1784.24

**064/2019 Any other Business**

Replacement/ update Laptop – Clerk.

The APC laptop was over 8 years old, slow and outdated and was causing problems in carrying out the role of Parish Clerk. Costing had been provided by the Clerk and it was proposed to set aside £1,000 for the replace of the laptop to include the purchase of 'Office' and associated programs. This was discussed, proposed and agreed (6.0.0)

**065/2019 Matters to Report not listed on the Agenda** (Note: No decisions can be made on these items)

- a) Nothing to report.

Next meeting 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

Signed.....

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