

# STOWEY SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Present: Councillors K Betton (Chairman), H Clewett, E Daly, L Kingston, L Balmforth, J Knibbs and M Arnold, R Parker, T White  
Clerk: J Bryant

Minutes of the virtual Parish Council meeting held at  
7.30pm on Wednesday 6th January 2021

## MINUTE: 2021/01

### 1. Apologies for Absence & Declarations of Interest

CLlr Daly due to technical issues.

### 2. Confirmation of Minutes

**RESOLVED that**, the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 were approved with amendments previously circulated.

### 3. Co-option

**RESOLVED that**, Ian Dagger is co-opted to parish council to fill 1 casual vacancy leaving 1 vacancy remaining.

### 4. Public Participation

*Members of the public and press were invited to address the Chair with questions or observations within the jurisdiction of the Parish Council.*

4 members of the public attended this month's meeting.

### 5. Planning

#### a) New Applications considered:

- i. 20/04601/FUL: Stowey House Farm, The Street, Stowey BS39 5TQ, Extension to grain store.

**RESOLVED that**, the application is compliant with the aims of SSBE01 & SSBE03, although it does not meet the aims of SSHP06 of the Stowey Sutton Neighbourhood Plan, therefore subject to a clause controlling the effect of artificial lighting in line with B&NES Climate & Nature Emergency Declaration, Stowey Sutton Parish Council do not object to this application.

- ii. 20/04671/FUL: Parcel 7400 Low Veale Lane, Stowey, Erection of a barn and hardstanding

**RESOLVED that**, the application meets the aim of SSBE03, but in its current form does not meet the aims of SSBE02 & SSHP06, as such Stowey Sutton Parish Council do not support application 20/04671/FUL: Parcel 7400 Low Veale Lane, Stowey - Erection of a barn and hardstanding.

Should planners be minded to permit the application despite the conflict with the Adopted Stowey Sutton Neighbourhood Plan, we would request that planning consents include conditions limiting this development within the green belt to a specified number of daily vehicle movements & to explicitly prevent future development into a dwelling, together with a clause controlling the effect of artificial lighting in line with B&NES Climate & Nature Emergency Declaration.

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- iii. 20/04751/LBA: Sutton Court, Sutton Court Access Road, Stowey, BS39 4DN, External alterations for the replacement roof lantern with associated repair works.

**RESOLVED that**, Stowey Sutton Parish Council have no objection to this application.

- iv. 20/04839/LBA: The Old Vicarage, The Street, Stowey, BS39 5TH, External works to include replacement and extension of an existing area of patio to the west of the dwelling and the erection of a retaining wall to facilitate this larger area of patio. In addition, works were also proposed to re-do existing areas of hardstanding and relocate an oil tank from an outbuilding to within the garden. (Regularisation).

20/04839/LBA was considered alongside 20/04838/FUL below:

- v. 20/04838/FUL: The Old Vicarage, The Street, Stowey, BS39 5TH, Replacement, and extension of an existing area of patio to the west of the dwelling and the erection of a retaining wall to facilitate this larger area of patio. In addition, works were also proposed to re-do existing areas of hardstanding and relocate an oil tank from an outbuilding to within the garden. (Resubmission).

**RESOLVED that** Stowey Sutton Parish Council have no objection to these applications together with a clause controlling the effect of artificial lighting in line with B&NES Climate & Nature Emergency Declaration.

- vi. 20/04725/CLPU: Westway Farm, Certificate of Lawfulness for a Proposed Development - Received for information only.
- vii. 20/04580/SCREEN: Parcel 4642, Stowey Road, Stowey - EIA Screening/ Scoping Request for a proposed solar farm - Received for information only.

viii. No further planning consultations received since publication of the agenda.

b) Decisions notified:

- i. 20/01494/FUL: 33 Parkfield Gardens, Bishop Sutton, Erection of single storey extension to rear – **PERMIT**.
- ii. 20/03830/FUL: 1 Yew Tree Close, Bishop Sutton, Erection of single storey extension with associated works - **PERMIT**.

## 6. Public Engagement Working Party

- a) Bishop Sutton Community Run Library – Lockdown once again and as in December we are open within national guidance for digital access, click and collect and returns only. We will operate the café takeaway on Saturdays only for advance orders if demand is evident. Our Facebook page will be kept up to date and advise of changes and availability as we go through lockdown. Volunteers are still engaged although some now need to shield until the end of lockdown or until vaccinated.

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## b) Recreation ground report:

- i. Annual Play Equipment inspection will be undertaken when GB Sport are next in the area.
- ii. Old signage now removed and new signage being created for printing and installation.
- iii. Culvert drains around recreation ground require clearance following recent inspection by B&NES Flood Team. Volunteers to be gathered when safe to do so and activity to be combined with litter pick around the recreation ground. Cllr Parker would be happy to assist with this.
- iv. Repairs undertaken on small picket fencing around the play area by a volunteer, and new bin now installed near shelter.

## 7. Chew Valley Plants Trees

Details of scheme presented by Cllr Arnold. Great initiative but nowhere suitable on the recreation ground for us to incorporate any of these trees given size they will grow to and the encroachment on play equipment. Some parishioners have pledged to have oak trees on their own land through this initiative.

**RESOLVED that** Parish Council to put an article in the parish magazine to share this initiative wider.

## 8. PCAA

Update received regarding Bristol Airport Planning activity. Summary of Addendum to Environmental Statement reference 20/P/2896/APPCON and new associated documents to Bristol Airport Planning Application 18/P/5118OUT were submitted early December and consultation closed 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Owing to the pandemic, Bristol Airport has updated passenger demand forecasts which previously were predicted to reach 10 mppa by 2021 and 12 mppa by 2026. The Airport has also updated their Environmental Statements and other documents and has suggested various scenarios for growth to 12 mppa. Full details can be obtained from our clerk or can be viewed on the North Somerset Council Planning Portal under reference 20/P/2896/APPCON. The Formal Appeal process for the refusal of application 18/P/5118/OUT commences 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

**RESOLVED that** the council's response prepared and submitted by our clerk under delegated powers to the North Somerset Council Consultations for the Addendum to Environmental Statement 20/P/2896/APPCON which relates to the appeal of the refusal of Bristol Airport Planning Application 18/P/5118/OUT is ratified.

## 9. Training & Meeting Updates

- a) **Chew Valley Area Forum Climate & Nature Emergency Working Group 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020** – Report provided by District Councillor Warrington. Working Group organising administrative structure in order to operate effectively. Good representation from Chew Valley Parish Council's. Looking at alternative ways to engage with those who have embraced climate emergency declarations as well as those who have not. B&NES will be providing the leadership to drive towards carbon neutral by 2030. Project areas such as transport, home energy efficiency and renewable energy will start to be populated soon. Next meeting 21st January 2021.
- b) **ALCA Briefing session - COVID-19's potential effect on the council tax base 14th December 2020**– Attended by our clerk and details of the session circulated.
- c) **North Somerset Draft Active Travel Strategy Consultation closes 15th January 2021** – members of the council encouraged to contribute to this consultation before its closure.
- d) **Local Government Ethical Standards Consultation closes 15th January 2021** – members of the council encouraged to contribute to this consultation before its closure.

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- e) **Bath City Centre Security proposed permanent access restrictions consultation closes 15th January 2021** – no response required at this time.
- f) **Bath & North East Somerset Council Local Plan Partial Update Options Consultation closes 18th February 2021** - details circulated. No response required at this time.

## 10. Footpaths, Hedgerows, roads, pavements, ditches, and drains

Reports received and passed to appropriate authorities.

## 11. Correspondence

Received and noted:

- a) Fishing Project funding appeal.
- b) Agenda item clarity provided regarding planning item.
- c) Cash points in Chew Valley.
- d) Incident in Church Lane logged with A&S Police.
- e) Request for donation to CPRE Avonside.

## 12. Finances

**RESOLVED that,**

- a) Annual Budget set at £39,035 following receipt of a third and final draft of the 2021-22 budget:
  - o Budget 2021/22 results in the loss of Chew Medical Practice weekly surgery bus after March 2021.
  - o Maintenance of the Millennium Clock at Village Hall will be handed over to the Village Hall at the expiry of the current contract in October 2021.
  - o Youth Provision depends upon Grants and donations totalling £8000 which will be handled predominantly by a Young Bristol Fundraiser.
- b) Precept set at £24,625 (4.23% increase based on tax base for band D house 2020/21 £1.49 per/000)
- c) Monthly Financial Statement and reconciliation reports received:

<b>Bank Account</b>	<b>Balances (after payments)</b>	
Unity Trust Current	£	11,610.91
Unity Trust Savings (library)	£	285.70
NWB Current	£	18,215.20
NWB Reserve	£	64.16
Library Cash Account	£	500.00
Clerk Petty Cash	£	125.53
SumUp Account (library)	£	1,184.61
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,986.11</b>

- d) BACS payments for 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021 authorised:

<b>Payment Date</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Net £</b>	<b>VAT £</b>	<b>Gross £</b>
06/01/2021	Staff	Salaries December 2020	£867.67	£-	£867.67
06/01/2021	HMRC	Tax & NI	£144.68	£-	£144.68
06/01/2021	SumUp Payments Ltd	Charges	£3.34	£-	£3.34

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06/01/2021	Filers Coaches	Surgery Coach November 2020	£120.00	£-	£120.00
06/01/2021	NES&B Methodist Circuit	Library Rent Oct-Dec20	£720.00	£-	£720.00
06/01/2021	Unity Trust Bank	Quarterly service charges	£25.65	£-	£25.65
06/01/2021	Unity Trust Bank	Manual handling charges	£0.80	£-	£0.80
06/01/2021	Stowey House Farm	Domestos Blue 5L	£7.50	£1.50	£9.00
06/01/2021	Young Bristol	Youth Provision 11 sessions July20-Oct20	£2,200.00	£-	£2,200.00
		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£4,115.44</b>	<b>£6.66</b>	<b>£4,122.10</b>

## 13. Clerks/District Councillors Reports – for information

### a) Clerks Report:

- i. **Youth Provision** - Young Bristol will carry on the street-based work to aid Young People in the area through lockdown once again if they are out and about. The ongoing challenges of all this is looking better as we are now on route to vaccines being dispensed. The hope is this is all dealt with nice and quickly for everyone's mental health. Young Bristol will also be holding a generic online zoom every week and youth workers will contact Young People to support them.
- ii. **B&NES Updates** - YouTube recordings available of some interesting topics on the B&NES YouTube channel including Budget Spending Plans & Aims for Budget 2021/22, Getting Involved in the Planning Policy Update (consultation due to commence 7th January 2021 to 18th February 2021) touched on in agenda item 9f and Cabinet Meetings – last 10th December 2020, next 11th February 2021.
- iii. **Future of Transport Rural Strategy** call for evidence Consultation for response, closing date: 16th February 2021. Following the government's 'Future of mobility: urban strategy', which was published in March 2019, the Department for Transport are now seeking views and evidence on what could be incorporated into a Future of Transport: rural strategy. Find out more and take part: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-of-transport-rural-strategy-call-for-evidence>.
- iv. **CENSUS 2021:** Information to be shared across varying media over the coming weeks including parish council website. Census day is 21 March 2021. Households across the country will receive letters with online codes allowing them to take part from early March. The census will include questions about your sex, age, work, health, education, household size and ethnicity. And, for the first time, there will be a question asking people whether they have served in the armed forces, as well as voluntary questions for those aged 16 and over on sexual orientation and gender identity.
- v. **NALC Updates:** NALC continues to update and inform councils and clerks daily as Covid guidance changes.

### b) District Councillors report:

District Cllr Pritchard reported that the Chew Valley recreational trail is approved and progressing (see Chew Valley Gazette). Now have £1million fund available. Bristol Water has contributed £35k,

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B&NES have awarded £50k, and the remainder comes from WECA. Alterations to the Woodford Lodge to Walley Court Road part of the route are extensive.

District Cllr Warrington reported that the Chew Medical Surgery is operating with reduced services as staff members have Covid-19. Vaccinations transferred to Midsomer Norton. Appointment cancellations and changes will be notified directly to patients.

## 14. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Meeting ended at 21.17.