

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF CHEW MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held in the Millennium Hall on Tuesday 1st December 2015
at 7.45pm

- Present**
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| Cllr Jon Wheatley, Chairman | Cllr Nick Scholefield, Vice Chairman |
| Cllr Rodney Andrews | Cllr Andy Matthews |
| Cllr Lynne Easton | Cllr Paul Cornelius |
| Cllr Nick Hasell | Cllr Ian Cox |
| Cllr Doris Davis | Cllr Heather Montague |
| Cllr Simon Jerrome | Ward Cllr Liz Richardson |
- Item 1** **Apologies**
None.
- Item 2** **Code of Conduct - Register of Councillors' Interest**
Cllr Easton registered an interest in Item 8b, planning permission received Ref. 15/03869/FUL as her own property.
Cllr Andrews registered an interest in Item 8a, planning application Ref. 15/05290/TCA as immediate neighbour.
- Item 3** **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by the Chairman, proposed by Cllr Cox, seconded by Cllr Davis, all approved.
- Item 4** **Public Participation**
- Bob Symons, Chairman of ALCA and Deborah White, Secretary, gave a presentation to Council on the benefits of becoming a member of the updated Avon Local Councils Association. The Presentation will be emailed to all Councillors and a decision to rejoin ALCA will be made at the next meeting when the 16/17 precept is set.
 - Tony Bevan and Marylyn DuMars, Dumpers House, Dumpers Lane, Chew Magna, addressed the Council regarding their letter remitted to Cllr Andrews concerning the issue of 'boy racers' along Dumpers Lane and the possibility of speed bumps being installed. Cllr Andrews has spoken with Stefan Chiffers, B&NES, and although B&NES are sympathetic the cost would be high and drainage required. B&NES would be prepared to put this matter to public consultation.
 - Ramesh Yadev, Chew Pharmacy, addressed the Council to seek support for disabled and pushchair access to Chew Pharmacy. The Chairman advised that the Council are fully supportive and Mr Yadev should speak with the freeholder of the property and then submit a planning application to B&NES to ascertain viability.
 - Hector Cornelius made written representation to the Council regarding his request to B&NES for a residents only parking sign at the entrance to Lower Batch. The Clerk has contacted B&NES Parking Services to seek a response and will advise Mr Cornelius when received.
 - David Parkes, Community Juice provided the Council with a briefing note regarding the aim of the Community Juice proposed project in Chew Magna. Community Juice are requesting that the Council apply for a grant to enable the project for non traditional, sustainable build, discounted housing with eligibility

at a local level. Cllr Cornelius advised that the principal is good but has concerns with applying for funding as if the Parish Council receive grant funds it is legally obliged to seek 3 tenders for the works rather than the other way around as proposed. Cllr Montague advised that residents should be involved in order all can understand what would be involved. The Chairman agreed to schedule a meeting with Mr Parkes and the Housing Steering Group to ascertain the feasibility of the proposed project.

Item 5

Report back on meetings and progress

- a) CVNP meeting 14th December , Hinton Blewett, 7.30pm
The Vice Chairman and Cllr Hasell attended the meeting. The draft policies are being produced. The next meeting will be 14th November, Hinton Blewett, 7.30pm.
- b) Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensation
Ward Cllr Richardson advised that Assets for Community Value (ACV) should be logged and the Neighbourhood Plan Group should make their representations to the Vice Chairman. The Clerk will issue Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensations to the Vice Chairman, Cllr Hasell. Cllr Montague and Cllr Andrews.
- c) Community Paypack Project
The Vice Chairman has met with Christian Matthews from the Community Payback Project and has arranged, with full approval from the Council, to have a team with a supervisor repaint the High Pavement and The Chalks railings. Work is planned to commence on 18th January 2016 and will take 3 to 4 sessions. The Council will pay for and provide paint, paint kettles and brushes.
- d) Open space on land at Tunbridge
The Vice Chairman advised that the Stuckey family who own the land have been contacted to ascertain if they would be willing to sell to the Parish Council if viable funds from the Boss Development 106 Agreement could be utilised for the potential purchase of land.
- e) Chew Valley Forum & B&NES Council Budget Consultation Meetings, 23rd November, 6-7.30pm, Chew Valley School
Cllr Matthews and Cllr Easton attended the meeting. Cllr Matthews has circulated notes to all councillors.
- f) Bath Record Office Roadshows
Not applicable to Chew Magna Parish Council as no public exhibitions are planned.
- g) Parish Online evening, 9th December, 6-9pm, Bath Spa University, the Vice Chairman and Cllr Easton will attend
- h) Invitation to Bristol Airport's Annual Community Review, Wednesday 9th December, 6 for 6.30pm
Cllr Montague, Cllr Davis and Cllr Cox will attend.
- i) Save the date invitation from Cllr Ian Gilchrist, Chairman, B&NES for a reception for all Parish Councillors on Wednesday 20th April 2016 in the Civic Space, Keynsham
- j) Chairman of B&NES Charity Gala, 6th February 2016, 7.15pm, Banqueting Hall, The Guildhall, Bath

Item 6

Transportation, Highways and Footpaths

- a) King George V Playing Field equipment replacement proposal
Cllr Easton has met with parents of young children and the primary school to ascertain what equipment residents would like to have to replace the current

toddler multiplay unit. A static wooden play & climbing structure in keeping with the conservation area is desired. Cllr Easton will obtain quotations to present to Council. Cllr Cornelius and Cllr Matthews will clarify what repair measures are required for the swings and safety surfaces.

- b) Tree pruning in King George V Playing Field assessment
Cllr Cornelius and Cllr Cox will attend to the pruning.
- c) Resident consultation regarding potential bus shelter in the village
Cllr Jerrome has yet to speak with Mr & Mrs Pearn.
- d) WPD / SSE Contracting repair to street light cable in Silver Street
Cllr Andrews advised that SSE Contracting still have this matter on their 'to do list' and will keep contact with Rodney Evans of SSE Contracting until the work is completed.
- e) B&NES Roadsweeper Scheme Review
The Chairman and the Clerk have completed the review with B&NES.
- f) Car Park maintenance
Cllr Andrews advised that there is an habitual build up of litter in the car park since the waste bin was removed some years ago. B&NES have recently cleared litter and cut back shrubs. It was suggested that the Clear Up Village Volunteer Group visit the car park on their next clean up day.
- g) Parking Infringements
Cllr Andrews asked of the legal viability of the Parish Council placing parking infringement notices on cars parking badly in the village. The Clerk will contact B&NES to check the legal and civil recourse.
- h) Broken CCTV cable between High Pavement and Car Park
The Vice Chairman will speak with Bob Luton as a professional electrician and remedy the situation.
- i) Access ramp sought for Pharmacy
Detailed in Item 4c.
- j) Root damage to driveway by Silver Birch at Jasmine Cottage, Tunbridge Road
Cllr Andrews advised that Mr & Mrs Braybrook have a damaged driveway caused by the roots of the Silver Birch. The Chairman advised that an application for tree removal will be submitted to B&NES.
- k) Dog fouling in fields at Tunbridge Farm
Cllr Hasell reported to Council that some dog walkers are not picking up and taking home their dog's poo when walking through the fields and on the footpaths in the parish. Some bags are being thrown in the hedges. The Clerk will include the note in the Chew Valley Gazette and Parish Magazine:
Could all dog owners please make sure that their mess is cleared safely and respect our pathways and farmer's fields. It is understood that there are some walkers who drive to the valley for a country walk. If you observe bad dog ownership behaviour can you please contact the B&NES Dog Warden on 07797 806545 as it is an a fineable offence to leave dog mess uncollected.
- l) Cllr Cornelius asked if the money owed to the parish from the optic fibre contractors has been received. The Vice Chairman advised not yet.
- m) Cllr Cornelius advised that the reinstatement of the fire hydrant on Silver Street remains outstanding by Bristol Water. The Clerk will contact both Bristol Water and B&NES to expedite repair.
- n) Cllr Hasell advise that the B&NES recycling lorry lost some of its load along Denny Lane. The Chairman advised Cllr Hasell to contact B&NES Council Connect directly.

Item 7 Finances

- a) Expenditure approved December
Proposed by Cllr Cox and seconded by Cllr Hasell.

Description	Amount £	Cheque Number
Mrs DL McClelland (Clerks Exps Nov 15)	£80.38	101871
Mr Adrian Urch (Triangle grass cutting 2015)	£180.00	101872
MJ Patch (Welding repair to High P'ment rails)	£156.00	101873
MC Engineering (Supply & fit church steps rail)	£372.00	101874
Branching Out (October 15 grass cutting)	£250.00	101875
E.On	£120.00	S/O
Henleaze Web Design	£40.00	S/O
POST DATED CHEQUES 1 st January 16 as HMRC require RTI (Real Time Information) reporting submitted before PAYE date (1 st of month)		
T Hillard (Roadsweeper salary December 2015)	£419.40	101876
D L McClelland (Clerk's salary December 2015)	£630.37	101877

- b) Receipts December

Description	Amount £	Cheque Number
B&NES Roadsweeper Scheme December 2015	£378.35	BACS

- c) Nine month Expenditure V Precept update
The Clerk prepared has presented the nine month expenditure v precept and circulated to all for full discussion
Cllr Andrews will review the terms of the Gover Trust to ascertain if some funding may be released for the playground improvements, if permissible by the Trust terms, it is suggested that one third funds are sought from the Gover Trust and two thirds from the Parish Council reserves.
The Precept for 16/17 will be set at the next meeting.

Item 8 Planning

- a) Applications in circulation

15/61 15/03766/FUL	Boye Matai, Winford Road, Chew Magna Erection of a new wooden garage following demolition of existing wooden garage on the same site
15/62 15/05290/TCA	Wells Holly House, 16 High Street, Chew Magna 1 x Yew – crown reduce of 2-3m, 1 x Lime – crown lift to 6m and crown reduction of 3-4m

- b) Results

15/57 15/04312/FUL	Hicks Little Cleeve, Winford Road, Chew Magna Installation of three dormers and internal modifications Chew Magna Parish Council supports this application. Whilst we appreciate that the proposed installation of dormer windows to the front and rear elevations would significantly change the appearance of the dwelling, it would be in keeping with nearby properties, and we have received no objections from immediate neighbours. Accompanying internal modifications allow useful improvements in accommodation. Cllr Nick Scholefield	Permit
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	Vice Chairman	
15/54 15/03869/FUL	Easton Red Gables, Silver Street, Chew Magna Erection of a single storey rear extension and two storey side extension. Alterations to front elevation and installation of front dormer and roof lights to facilitate loft conversion Chew Magna Parish Council supports this application. The proposed extension occupies a modest increase in footprint whilst providing useful additional accommodation on two levels. The proposed dormer window and roof lights would not detract from the existing view of the house, and the plans include some sensible flood mitigation work. Cllr Nick Scholefield Vice Chairman	Permit

- c) Notice from B&NES that there will be no circulation of paper planning applications from 1st April 2016
Cllr Andrews suggested that all councillors look at the online planning documents to envisage any potential future problems when planning is purely digital.

Item 9 Environmental Issues and initiatives

- a) Riparian ownership and watercourse maintenance
Cllr Easton and Cllr Montague will oversee any riparian ownership issues.
- b) Letter sent to owners of The Rookery, Battle Lane, regarding Riparian Ownership as advised by the Environment Agency
The Clerk has contacted the homeowners.
- c) Historic PLP ownership
Ward Cllr Richardson has discussed this matter with Andy Biddlecombe, B&NES and a further meeting will be held. Ward Cllr Richardson will advise of the outcome and resolution when received.

Item 10 Correspondence

- a) Response received to Chairman's letter to CEO & Head of Planning B&NES sent 8th October 2015 from Richard Daone, Team Manager Planning Policy
The Chairman read the response to Council which outlined any changes to the Housing Development Boundary will be discussed at consultation.
- b) Letter from Professor Richard and Malgorzata Evershed, Silver Birches, Nutgrove Lane regarding request for a 20mph limit for Nutgrove Lane
The Chairman will respond with explanation and B&NES policy.
- c) Letter addressed to Cllr Andrews from Tony Bevir, Dumpers Lane concerning "boy racers"
Detailed item 4b.

Item 11 Any Other Information for Notification for Next Meeting

None.

Message from the Chairman

Cllr Jon Wheatley thanked all Councillors for their work and dedication throughout the year and wished all members of the Council and residents of Chew Magna a very Happy Christmas.

Meeting Closed 10.15pm

Next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 5th January 2016** at 7.45pm in the Millennium Hall

Donna McClelland, Parish Clerk 14th December 2015