



**A meeting of the Parish Council was held on.  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 7.30pm,  
at Sandford Village Hall**

Those present at the meeting:

**Parish Cllrs Present:** Zak Aravantinos, Simon Crew, Archie Forbes (Chair), Kevin Joyce (Vice-Chair), Dylan Morris, Tom Nicholson, Steve Pincher, Lynne Stephens (Vice-Chair), Jack Taviner, and John Witcher

**NSC Cllrs:** Tom Nicholson, and Joe Tristram

**Clerk:** Lynne Rampton **Members of the public:** None

**Parish Cllrs Absent:** Mark Boddy, Larry van Haaren, and Paul Watkins

**24. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE WHERE APPROPRIATE (Agenda item 1)** Apologies had been received from Parish Cllrs van Haaren and Watkins

**25. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Agenda item 2).** A non-pecuniary interest was declared in agenda item 15. application from Winscombe Rugby Club by Cllr Morris due to an association with both rugby and cricket clubs. To retain independence in NSC discussions/decisions, a non-pecuniary interest was declared by Cllr Nicholson in agenda item 16, Banwell Bypass.

**26. TO CONSIDER & DECIDE UPON ANY REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION FROM MEMBERS TO ALLOW THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN A DISCUSSION OR VOTE ON A MATTER IN WHICH HE/SHE MAY HAVE A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST (Agenda item 3).**

*Dispensations are granted to Parish Councillors under section 33 of the Localism Act 2011 and the Parish Council delegated the power to grant dispensations (s101 of the Local Government Act 1972) to the Clerk or appointed Deputy (see PC meeting 23.07.12 min 52 iv.).*

Dispensation was granted for this meeting only to Cllr Morris as the interest was not deemed significant enough to exclude the member from the debate or vote. Cllr Nicholson was granted dispensation to speak, but not vote on Banwell Bypass discussions due to his considerable knowledge of the subject.

**27. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023 (Agenda item 4)**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous with 2 abstentions due to absence).** The minutes of the meeting would be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

**28. MINUTE UPDATE FROM THE MAY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES ALONG WITH THE JUNE CLERK'S REPORT Annex 1 (Agenda item 5)**

**Min 20. The Dring street light** – a response was awaited regarding replacement part costs for the new light before the order was placed.

**29. CRIME REPORT – to receive a monthly police report for the parish Annex 2 (Agenda item 6)**

A report was read to the meeting by the Chair.

**30. RESPONSE TO MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL (Agenda item 7)** There were no matters requiring a response.

**31. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Agenda item 8)**

With no members of public present, there was none.

**32. TO RECEIVE A WARD COUNCILLOR UPDATE (Agenda item 9)**

NSC Cllrs were welcomed to the meeting by the Chair, this being their first parish council meeting following May elections.

A report was given on a shortfall in funding for the Banwell Bypass that would be met from unused s106/CIL monies along with an application for further funding from Homes England. As a planning condition, mitigation measures for surrounding villages would still be delivered in advance of the bypass opening.

**33. TO AUTHORISE BILLS FOR PAYMENT Annex 3 (Agenda item 10)**

**Resolved:** Direct payments, direct debits, and standing order payments as detailed totalling £14,809.81 (incl. vat) were authorised for payment.

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)**

The balance of the invoice for fabrication and installation of the new skate park ramp would be released following receipt of a post-installation inspection of the ramp.

**34. TO APPROVE MINUTES AS A CORRECT RECORD FROM A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023 (Agenda item 11)**

**Resolved –** That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023 were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous with 2 abstentions due to absence).** The minutes of the meeting would be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

The committee meeting scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> July would not take place, with applications to be considered by the parish council at the next meeting.

**35. TO CONSIDER AND COMMENT ON CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN THE PARISH (Agenda item 12):**

**a. 23/P/1164/FUL Land South West Of Drove Way Sandford**

Proposed erection of a stables, shelter and hay store with menage and concrete access.

**Resolved: The council voted to support approval of the planning application.**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)**

**36. TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEAL NOTIFICATIONS SINCE THE LAST PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING (Agenda item 13)**

**Planning Approvals**

Application no	Address	Brief description
23/P/0992/AOC	Banwell Bypass	Discharge condition 8 (speed & traffic monitoring plan)
23/P/0708/FUL	Winscombe Lawn Tennis Club	Replacement floodlights & 2 new poles

**Prior Approval Not Required**

Application no	Address	Brief description
22/P/0975/HHPA	Little Orchard, 82 Greenhill Road	Single storey rear extension

**37. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM WINSCOMBE FOOTBALL CLUB JUNIORS FOR USE OF THE SANDFORD PLAYING FIELD AND THE SITING OF PERMANENT GOAL POSTS. (Agenda item 14)**

A request had been received from the football club for permission to hold regular matches for junior teams on a Saturday morning during the playing season. Goal posts had been gifted to the school from the developer that could be used.

Members were in favour that this facility be made use of, and a charge would be considered at a later date when it was known how much the field could be utilised (without drainage) over the winter period.

**Resolved: Permission was granted to Winscombe football club to use the sports playing field for Saturday morning training/matches for junior teams.**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)**

**38. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM WINSCOMBE RUGBY CLUB TO SITE TEMPORARY CHANGING ROOMS ADJACENT TO THE CURRENT FACILITIES AT THE RECREATION GROUND. (Agenda item 15)**

The rugby club was encountering similar issues as football in accommodating additional players due to an ever-increasing parish population. With ladies and girls teams now popular, changing facilities had become a logistical issue.

In discussion members were in favour of assisting all sports clubs in allowing additional temporary shower/change/toilet facilities in the form of portacabins. This would be subject to the necessary building

regulations and planning consent being obtained, the council being supplied with a copy of the electrical certificate, and further discussion taking place regarding water and sewerage connections. Should the additional facility cause a capacity issue on the drainage system, this would be for the rugby club to resolve. Clarification should be sought that the new building would not cause an access issue for the cricket club rollers.

**Resolved: Permission in principle was granted for the rugby club to apply for planning consent for the siting of temporary changing facility portacabins on the recreation ground adjacent to the current changing rooms, with detail to be agreed at a later date.**

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (9 in favour, 1 abstention).

**39. TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE NSC (BANWELL BYPASS AND SOUTHERN LINK CLASSIFIED ROAD) SIDE ROADS ORDER (SRO) 2022 (Agenda item 16)**

a. *To consider making representations on the SRO modifications to be taken into account at the public inquiry.*

**Resolved: No representations would be made in response to the SRO modifications**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (9 in favour, Cllr Nicholson did not vote due to a previously declared interest).**

b. *To consider a further meeting with Churchill Parish Council to agree a joint statement regarding inadequate consideration given to probable impacts of the bypass on surrounding villages.*

**Resolved: With the council already having aired its view regarding mitigation for this parish, a further meeting was not considered necessary.**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (6 in favour, 2 against, 1 abstention. Cllr Nicholson did not vote due to a previously declared interest).**

**40. NSC CONSULTATION - PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS 2023.** *Parish council to consider responding to the consultation on existing orders for the parish and submitting new proposals. (Agenda item 17)*

**Resolved: The Clerk should respond to the consultation in favour of the two PSPOs for the recreation ground and Longfield sports pitches. A request should be made for the addition of new PSPOs for the cemetery (dogs on leads only) and Sandford Sports Pitch (no dogs)**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)**

**41. NEWSLETTER** – *on completion of skate park ramp, to consider issue of an electronic version only with hard copy version to be issued mid-November/ early December. (Agenda item 18)*

**Resolved: With the skatepark ramp nearing completion, an electronic version of The Occasional Newsletter should now be issued with a hard copy version to accompany the next newsletter later in 2023.**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)**

**42. CLEANING OF SPORTS CHANGE ROOMS – 3 HOURS PER WEEK.** *To consider a change to an existing orderly duties (at their request) and to employ a further orderly to carry out these works. (Agenda item 19)*

With the WMRG Orderly wishing to reduce weekly hours, cleaning of the sports changing rooms would be assigned to a new orderly that was known to the council and had assisted in works previously.

**Resolved: That Russ White be employed for 3 hours per week, rate of pay to match that of the public conveniences orderly, with a probationary period of 6-months.**

**The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)**

**43. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION (Agenda item 20) None**

With no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.40 pm.

Signed..... (Chair) Date.....

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