

# **SALTFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at Saltford Hall, Saltford on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7.15pm**

## **PRESENT:**

**Councillors** – Chris Warren (Chair), Adrian Betts, Ben Eve, Phil Harding (Vice-Chair), Duncan Hounsell, James Macnaughton, Kyle Rice, Rob Taylor and Farida Wilson. Cllr Liz Macnaughton is on an agreed leave of absence.

**Officer** – Sue Davies (Cover Clerk)

## **1. MINUTES**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for inability to attend this meeting were received from Councillor Jon Godfrey.

## **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No interests were declared.

## **4. PUBLIC TIME**

There were 7 members of the public present.

Mike Knight spoke in support of the Dementia Friendly Keynsham grant application.

Dr Andrew Havers spoke objecting to planning application 17/01562/FUL and 17/01563/LBA – 2 The Batch.

James Hathaway spoke objecting to planning application 17/01562/FUL and 17/01563/LBA – 2 The Batch.

## **5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillor Chris Warren announced that he had visited Malcolm Guthrie to present him with the Community Award for his late wife Audrie Guthrie. Mr Guthrie conveyed his family's thanks for the Award.

## **6. CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Clerk made no announcements.

## 7. REPORT FROM B&NES WARD COUNCILLORS

There were no B&NES Ward Councillors in attendance.

## 8. PLANNING MATTERS

- a. **Minutes** – The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017 were confirmed as a correct record.
- b. **New planning applications** – The Council considered the following planning applications in respect of which Bath & North East Somerset (B&NES) Council had invited comments:

**17/01581/FUL – 22 Uplands Road** – Erection of single storey dwelling and garage – Mr David Lamb

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council  
**COMMENTS ON** this application: **NO OBJECTION**

**17/01562/FUL and 17/01563/LBA – 2 The Batch** – Internal and external alterations to remove C20 porch, erect two storey side and rear extension, replace windows and generally refurbish interior – Mr Campbell

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council  
**OBJECTS TO** this application on the grounds that there appears to be no provision for parking at the property.

**17/01626/VAR – 33 Rodney Road** – Variation of condition 7 attached to Application 15/01977/FUL (erection of two storey dwelling) – Mr & Mrs Britton

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council  
**SUPPORTS** this variation.

**17/01598/LBA – Jeffrey's Lodge, 23 High Street** – Internal and external alterations for the replacement of existing timber windows and doors to existing rear extension, timber bow windows to match with stone work below window and window seat fitted internally. Installation of 8 no conservation roof lights in existing roof. Lowering of the existing ground floor level and new even steps from existing kitchen to be fitted – Ms Victoria Jones

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council  
**SUPPORTS** this application subject to design, materials and building works being in keeping with the building's listing and Saltford's Conservation Area.

- c. **B&NES Local Plan Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) Call for sites**

This item was deferred.

Councillors Chris Warren and Adrian Betts will be attending a meeting regarding the Local Plan where they are hoping to be advised of potential sites.

- d. **Decisions and Appeals** – The Clerk reported that the following application has been **PERMITTED** by B&NES Council:

**17/00605/VAR** – Saltford Primary School - Removal of condition 5 of application 16/02028/REG03 granted on 28/07/2016

The Clerk reported that the following applications have been **WITHDRAWN**

**17/01118/FUL** – 26 Claverton Road West – Loft conversion with rear dormer.

**17/00584/FUL** – 26 High Street – Repairs to front wall, construction of new wall and gates to rear.

- e. **Planning items of urgent information** – No items were reported.

## **9. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a. **Monthly Financial Report** – The report was discussed and accepted by members.
- b. **Schedule of Expenditure** – The expenditure listed in the schedule for the month of April 2017 was authorised and the schedule signed by the Chair.
- c. **Dementia Friendly Keynsham grant application** – The Council agreed to make a grant of £400 to Dementia Friendly Keynsham to deliver Memory Café and Music for the Mind Sessions.

## **10. CHURCHYARD TREE WORK**

The two quotations for tree work were discussed and Smart Trees was the agreed churchyard tree contractor, pending the Clerk checking that the contractor holds a current certificate of public liability insurance.

## **11. LITTER BINS**

This item was discussed and it was decided to re-submit the request for two new litter bins to B&NES Council in a few months time and supply more supporting evidence if available.

## **12. NITROGEN DIOXIDE MONITORING ON BATH ROAD**

Councillor Duncan Hounsell read a report on the data collected by B&NES Council. The data showed that the target levels at the designated monitoring points have not been exceeded and the levels have decreased in the last 6 months (Jun-Dec) of 2016. However, councillors will continue to be watchful on pollution levels recorded at the monitoring points.

## **13. ASKING B&NES COUNCIL TO ADJUST TIMINGS ON TRAFFIC LIGHTS IN CENTRAL SALTFOURD WHEN A4 TRAFFIC IS LIGHT**

This item was withdrawn.

**14. WEST OF ENGLAND JOINT SPATIAL PLAN AND JOINT TRANSPORT STUDY CONSULTATION RESPONSES**

Councillor Duncan Hounsell highlighted the areas of this consultation report with particular reference to issues affecting Saltford. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the West of England Partnership to ask which interest groups are being referred to on page 133 of the Joint Transport Study consultation report regarding the claim that the 119 responses (mainly objecting to the proposed Saltford by-pass) were driven by local interest groups.

It was also agreed that the Council’s Transport Working Party would look at the next iteration of the West of England Joint Transport Study.

**15. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS OF B&NES COUNCIL BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION**

This item was discussed and it was decided to make representation to the Commission that Saltford should retain two B&NES Council seats. Saltford Parish Councillors to discuss further and agree on wording.

**16. REPORTS FROM LINK MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Councillor Phil Harding attended a meeting of the River Avon Users Consultative Committee (RAUCC) that took place on 11<sup>th</sup> April and reported on feedback to B&NES on the draft Water Space Study Report.

It was decided to discuss the proposal at the next meeting.

**17. ITEMS OF URGENT INFORMATION FROM COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Duncan Hounsell reminded the Council that a headstone check needed to be carried out.

The meeting closed at 9.06 pm

Chair’s signature.....

Date confirmed and signed...../...../.....

**Next Council meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017**  
**Next Planning Committee meeting: TBC**