

SALTFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at Saltford Hall, Saltford
on Tuesday 3rd March 2015 at 7.15pm

PRESENT:

Councillors - Adrian Betts (Chair), Marie Carder, Duncan Hounsell, Rob King, Neil McKen, Kevin Reeves, Rob Taylor and Chris Warren

Officer - Tricia Golinski

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 3 February 2015 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 Cllrs Harvey Haeberling, Jill Williams and Reg Williams.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Neil McKen declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 15/00192/AR – Riverside Restaurant The Shallows.

Cllr Adrian Betts declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 7 c) Saltford Wombles application for financial assistance as he is a Saltford Environment Group committee member.

4. PUBLIC TIME

There were 6 members of the public present.

Phil Harding of Saltford Environment Group spoke objecting to application 15/00629/FUL - Waterleat Mead Lane.

Millie Carter of Marlyn Mead Lane spoke objecting to application 15/00629/FUL - Waterleat Mead Lane.

Pete Denmead of Waterleat Mead Lane spoke in support of application 15/00629/FUL - Waterleat Mead Lane.

Julie Sampson of Saltford Wombles spoke in support of item 7 c) Saltford Wombles' application for financial assistance.

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made.

6. PLANNING MATTERS

- a) **Minutes** - The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17 February 2015 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.
- 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:

15/00752/TCA - Firbank House 32 High St - 3 x birch (B1-3) - reduce and thin crown by 1m, lift crown to 3m from ground level. 1 x apple (A1) - reshape crown. 1 x yew (Y1) - reduce by 1.2m and reshape crown. 1 x conifer (C1) - reduce by 1m and trim sides - Mrs Kate Tometski

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council
COMMENTS ON this application: **No objection.**

15/00629/FUL - Waterleat Mead Lane - Installation of rooftop pavillion following removal of existing pitched roof - Mr Pete Denmead

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council
COMMENTS ON this application: **We would draw your attention to: 1. This is in Green Belt; 2. The development is significantly out of proportion to neighbouring properties; 3. Take into account recent developments in Copse Road, Saltford.**

15/00192/AR - Riverside Restaurant The Shallows - Display of 2 illuminated signs adjacent to the public house entrance doors to advertise the restaurant and bar - Wadworth & Co Ltd

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council
COMMENTS ON this application: **No objection.**

15/00607/FUL - 2 Brockley Road - Erection of 2m high boundary fence with gate - Mr Ross Franklin

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council **OBJECTS TO** this application: **1. Fence out of keeping with the street scene (policy D.4a); 2. We support the Highways objection.**

15/00525/FUL - 17 Cavendish Close - Erection of two storey rear extension and loft conversion - Mr Nathan Sheppard

It was resolved that B&NES Council be advised that this Council
COMMENTS ON this application: **Please bear in mind: 1. Loss of light to number 16 due to massing of proposed extension (D.2f); 2. This might set a precedent for other properties in the area.**

- c) **Decisions** – The Clerk reported the following applications which had been PERMITTED with conditions by B&NES Council:

14/05794/FUL - 2 Hermes Close - Erection of single storey rear extension following removal of existing conservatory and conversion of existing garage

to form new study - Mr Patrick Beazley

15/00085/FUL - 5 Wedmore Road - Erection of single storey rear extension - Mr Dixon

14/05662/FUL - Riverside The Shallows - Erection of two dwellings - Mr Jacob Dawe

d) **Planning items of urgent information** – No items were reported.

7. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

a) **Monthly Financial Report** – The report was discussed and accepted by Members.

b) **Schedule of Expenditure** – It was resolved that the expenditure for all items listed in the schedule for the month of March 2015 be authorised and the schedule signed by the Chair.

c) **Salford Wombles application for financial assistance** – The Council agreed to make a grant to Salford Wombles for £252 for litter pickers, high-viz tabards and protective gloves (budget heading Miscellaneous Grants, power for expenditure Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19). It was also agreed to request feedback from the grant recipients.

d) **2014/15 Year End budget position** – The Council received a report from the Clerk on its predicted budget year end position.

8. **PARKING ON GRASS VERGES**

The Council considered the issue of parking on Curo's grass verges in Brockley Road, and agreed to invite representatives of Curo and B&NES Highways to the April meeting to discuss the problem.

9. **GOAL MOUTHS AT CLAVERTON ROAD PLAYING FIELDS**

The Council agreed to pay £270 (budget heading Council Led Schemes) to have the two goalmouths at Claverton Road playing fields levelled and re-turfed, and to inform B&NES and Salford Primary School when this work will take place.

10. **STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE WEST OF ENGLAND**

The Council agreed that Cllrs Adrian Betts and Kevin Reeves would work together on its response to the Pre-Commencement Document for the new Strategic Plan for the West of England, and send it to the West of England office on behalf of the Parish Council.

11. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Cllr Duncan Hounsell apologised that he was not able to attend the Parishes Liaison meeting due to ill health.

Cllr Duncan Hounsell reported that the Connecting Communities Keynsham Area

Forum meeting included a public question time and a discussion of health and social care services. It is a useful forum to engage with all decision-makers in the area.

12. PUBLICITY

The Council agreed items to include in the Parish Council's page of SCAN and ideas for the next Parish Council e-newsletter.

13. ITEMS OF URGENT INFORMATION

Cllr Adrian Betts reported that an invitation has been received from the Chairman of B&NES Council to its Annual Civic Reception on 17 March, and he would like to attend if any planning matters could be deferred from 17 March to the following meeting.

14. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

The Council resolved that in accordance with Standing Order 1 c, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

15. SALTFORD COMMUNITY AWARDS 2015

The Council received and agreed the recommendation from the Awarding Panel working group. Expenditure of £60 for the Award winner's chosen group plus the cost of certificate printing was authorised (budget heading Council Led Schemes).

16. CHANGES TO FUTURE SALTFORD COMMUNITY AWARDS

The Council agreed to make the following changes to the Saltford Community Awards scheme:

- To remove the word 'exemplary'
- To retain the Awarding Panel and make it open to any councillor.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Chair's signature.....

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

Next Council meeting: 21 April 2015
Next Planning Committee meeting: 17 March 2015
and 7 April 2015 following the Parish Meeting