

**PARISH OF ABBOTS LEIGH - NOTICE OF MEETING**  
**Meeting of Abbots Leigh Parish Council**  
Held in the John Butler Room of the Village Hall, Church Road  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.30 pm**

**M I N U T E S**

**Present:** Cllrs Talbot-Ponsonby, Stewart, Telling, Ward Cllr Davies & J Smart (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Cllrs Butler and Anderson

1. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None.

2. Previous meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018 (previously circulated), were signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising

None.

4. Planning

- i. Notice of Appeal – APP/D0121/W/18/3200907 - Leigh Warren Bungalow
- Notice of Appeal – APP/D0121/W/18/3201120 – Paddock adjacent to Windrush

5. Ward Councillor's Report

This week would be the third week of the new refuse collection regime. The first week was not good, but the second week went reasonably well. Odd groups of properties are being missed for no apparent reason.

NSC would be looking at other sources of funding for the Portishead passenger railway scheme.

A new Local Plan 2036 consultation would be coming out in the autumn. There was nothing significantly different included for this area.

DD had attended the Bristol Airport presentation. The airport had a vision of an increase to 20 million passengers annually up to 2040. DD objected as there was no transport plan.

There would be a meeting next week to approve the interim Chief Executive.

## 6. Neighbourhood Plan

MS reported on this. He had produced and circulated an updated paper. All agreed that it be recommended to the PC that the allocation of funding for a traffic survey to be part of the Neighbourhood Plan, was to be shared as £1,200 from Pill & Easton-in-Gordano PC and £1,000 from Abbots Leigh PC. The PC could also possibly earmark funds from the Road Safety budget for this.

## 7. Financial

The Clerk had circulated the up to date accounts. The accounts for payment for June were high, due to the annual insurance cost.

## 8. Village Matters

- i. Police Report – No report received.
- ii. Village Hall – STP reported that the septic tank had been repaired. The external painting was underway. The next thing to think about would be car parking. STP had circulated previously drawn up plans relating to car parking in the Village Hall garden. He asked that members looked at the layout and comment on what we want, and then when we had agreed what we want we would then ask Robert Narracott to update the plans, as the PC would have to apply for planning permission from NSC. **Action ALL.**  
STP reported on the request for a disabled parking bay. The Clerk was pursuing this with Liam Abercrombie of NSC. **Action Clerk.**  
MS reported that there had been comments about the location of the screen, and he suggested that the PC investigate the options of moving it back to the wall. **Action JB.**  
STP and the Clerk explained the Commercial Waste collection by NSC. DD suggested making sure the Waste Transfer Notices were kept securely by John Prodger. **Action Clerk.**
- iii. Former Skittle Alley - There had been no more noise issues related to the Fit Tank.
- iv. Traffic Issues & Footpaths – STP had written to Bristol Rugby Club, who would let us know when the funding for the road alterations would be issued. Work would be starting in the autumn.  
STP had spoken to the Project Manager of Avonline (Gigaclear), and asked about traffic management at the junction of Church Road, A369 and Manor Road. STP also suggested overnight installations. Gigaclear was also considering leaving it until the school holidays. DD would also speak to Paul Watkins. **Action DD.**
- v. Verges – STP had asked for a quote from Safety Green for 12 x 6” wooden posts to be sited on the verge below The George. The matter was with Phil Bush of NSC, and STP would speak to him. **Action STP.** Clerk to contact Shelley regarding cutting the verge on Manor Road. **Action Clerk.**
- vi. Playing Fields & Events – All fine. The Clerk was to apply for a licence for the Festival in the Field. (possibly 9<sup>th</sup>). Clerk to check date with Paul Whitehouse, and ask him for a method statement for insurance purposes. **Action Clerk.**

- vii. Defibrillator – AT reported telephone box had been rubbed down and cleaned up. The Clerk had received the new primer and paint, and this would be started next week.
- viii. Village Orderly – Nigel Mail was supposed to visit AT but had not. She would call him and arrange to meet. **Action AT.**
- ix. The George – MS reported that The George was on the letting market via Fleurets in Clifton. He suggested he may put in the Link that there were no objections to the declaration of the Asset of Community Value, and that the PC had agreed to set up a group. The members of the group would be Jane Gibbons, Jo Chiverton, Steven Robertson, possibly Roger Avery, and MS would be the PC representative on the group. STP suggested MS remind the letting agent that there was a long standing issue with the septic tank belonging to the pub, and that it should be replaced. **Action MS.**

## 9. Communications

Bob Dury had written to STP suggesting the need for the village to work together to get the services buried, and to install a proper sewerage scheme in the village. Generally, the previous view had been that residents had not wanted it. STP would respond, stating the PC supported this in principle, but did not have the power to do it, but it would make reference to the lack of services in the Neighbourhood Plan. **Action STP.**

## 10. Clerks Report

The Clerk reported on Shelley Lee's responses to issues raised at their recent meeting. The broken slabs down from the George had not yet been replaced. **Action Clerk.**

A369 gullies - Works orders had been raised and completed. One gully needed jetting which had been passed to NSC Drainage Engineers

Crews digging out gullies but not removing detritus - This complaint had been forwarded to Skanska and should not be happening anymore.

Cycle Track A369 - A works order had been raised to have the back edge scraped back and all detritus removed.

Manor Road 30mph sign - A works order had been raised to have the vegetation cut back.

The Clerk would not be present at the next meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July.