

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 16th October at 7.30 pm

M I N U T E S

Present: Cllrs Talbot-Ponsonby, Anderson, Butler, Stewart, Telling & Ward Cllr Davies, and J Smart (Clerk)
Apologies: None.

1. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

None.

2. Previous meeting held on 18th September 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th September 2017 (previously circulated) were signed as a true record. Clerk to change Cllr Murray to Cllr Stewart.

3. Matters arising

STP reported that Andy Prestt (NSC) had investigated the non-collection of refuse and recycling, and advised that this had been because of the road closure that week. He had visited Kamala Das and apologised. STP anticipated that she would have a better service going forward.

4. Planning

i. Applications:

17/P/2226/F - Paddock adjacent to Windrush, Sandy Lane, BS8 3SF. Erection of 3No. stables with tack room. Creation of a stable yard to the front enclosed by a timber fence. **OBJECT.**

17/P/2279/F - Leigh Warren Bungalow, Abbots Leigh Road, BS8 3QD. Erection of 2No. four bedroom dwellings with attached garages, provision of amenity space, refuse storage and new access from Abbots Leigh Road, following the demolition of existing bungalow, garage and goathouse. **OBJECT.**

17/P/2152/LUP - 22 Dennyview Road, BS8 3RB. Application for a lawful development certificate for a proposed single storey rear extension and proposed loft conversion including rear dormer and roof lights to the front elevation. **No comments.**

ii. Approvals:

17/P/0552/F - Bankside Cottage, Pill Road, BS8 3QW. Two storey side extension (revision of 16/P/1508/F).

iii. Refusals:

17/P/0961/F - Hunters Lodge, Harris Lane, BS8 3QX. First floor extension including new dormer to create lounge and study.

iv. Other Planning Matters

5. Ward Councillor's Report

The West of England Joint Spatial Plan next round of consultation was due over the winter. The PC was happy with the Green Belt boundary around the village.

DD would attend the Abbots Leigh Remembrance day service. **Action DD.**

DD reported on the next round of the MetroWest consultation. Public exhibitions were to be held in Long Ashton Community Centre on Thursday 23rd November from 3.30-7.30pm, and at Pill Community Centre on Friday 24th November from 12.30-7.30pm. DD suggested it would be good for ALPC to write to MetroWest confirming its support for the scheme. **Action ALL.**

DD reported that St Katherine's School may have some challenges in terms of funding, and that would report further on this. **Action DD.**

DD met with First Bus last week to complain about bus service issues again. First Bus could not employ enough drivers. Single decker buses were back on the road. DD would have more information in December. **Action DD.**

DD met with NSC Transport Engineer (Peter King) and Shelley Lee, and persuaded them to look at Sandy Lane road surface. Following this, Peter King responded and agreed that something should be done about it.

6. Village Matters

- i. Police Report - Not received.
- ii. Village Hall - JB reported that compliments continued to be received about the refurbished hall. The only negative comment received was about the stage sticking out too far. STP agreed to put more hazard tape on to the front of the stage to make it more obvious. STP thought the trolley was needed. MS and JB thought this issue should be reviewed in the spring. JB reported that the stage lighting did not light the new stage and two of them were not working. STP suggested including this at the review in the spring. JB had been talking to Brackenwood Garden Centre about mini Christmas Trees (7 windows). Not in stock yet. One or two people had said it also would be good to have a screen at the back of the hall (add to list for review). STP reported on the premises licence. The Clerk was nearly ready to submit the application. The application would need to be advertised in the North Somerset Times, which would cost £120, the application would cost £100. Robert Narracott had produced plans of the VH and Skittle Alley to be included with the application. STP agreed to put an item in The Link and on the website (when appropriate). **Action STP/Clerk.**
- iii. Skittle Alley - STP had heard that the Civic Society were keen for the PC to do something with it. EA had not heard anything about this, but the CS was due to meet.
- iv. Traffic Issues & Footpaths - Clerk to remind Adam Wood to arrange meeting for walkabout. **Action Clerk.**
- v. Verges - MS reported that the verges had been cut by David Smith. He was concerned about Manor Road, where posts had been installed near trees, with plastic tape to keep off the verge by a resident. This was unsightly, and as this was highway land it should not be taking place. Clerk to ask Adam Wood to investigate and remove the tape. **Action Clerk.**
- vi. Playing Fields & Events - Bonfire Night - Clerk to write to Civic Society to ask them to hold the event on behalf of the PC. Ask for copy of their latest method statement with all the correct people listed. Forward TEN licence to STP. **Action Clerk.**
- vii. Defibrillator - STP reported this was now up and running, and signs had been ordered to replace the word 'TELEPHONE' with 'DEFIBRILLATOR'. JB suggested a defibrillator sign be attached with the others at the play area. **Action STP/Clerk.**
- viii. Assets of Community Value - The Civic Society had decided it would be a good idea to register The George as an ACV. STP thought a joint approach would be better. This would mean that it couldn't just be sold, and would have to be offered to the group who registered it as an ACV. STP thought that the PC should apply, and asked if MS would draft the application. MS agreed and suggested doing this in conjunction with Paul Whitehouse. **Action MS.**

7. Communications

STP would write an item for the Link regarding the Premises Licence at the Village Hall. **Action STP**

8. Financial

Budget/actual and monthly figures had been circulated to all members.

Two signatures were required for the new EDF Energy unmetered public lighting Direct Debit. STP and JB signed the bank mandate. **Action Clerk.**

9. Clerks Report

For distribution/circulation:-

Your Airport Magazine

Avon & Somerset PCC Newsletter

Wildlife Magazine

Metrowest Consultation documents received

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