

A Meeting of Batheaston Parish Council is to be held at 7:15pm on Tuesday 10th December 2024 at the Rhymes Pavilion, Coalpit Road, BA1 7NW

AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- **1. To receive** apologies for absence.
- 2. To receive any declarations of interest from Councillors.
- 3. Public participation regarding matters on the agenda.
 - **3.1.** To include a special presentation by the Box Flood Warden, regarding Item 8.2.
- 4. Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - **4.1. To approve** the minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 12th November 2024 (Clerk, A).

FINANCE REPORTS

- 5. Current Finance Position
 - **5.1. To receive** an update from the Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer on finances. (Clerk)
- 6. Community Grants
 - **6.1. To approve** a request for a grant of £10,000 to the Batheaston Youth Club (Clerk, A).
 - **6.2. To approve** allocation of a further £2,000 for the refurbishment of the Rhymes Pavilion (Clerk, A)

WORKING GROUPS

- 7. Highways Transport and Planning Working Group
 - **7.1. To receive** a verbal report from Cllr McCarthy, Lead of the Working Group.
 - 7.1.1. To note that B&NES have published their report of final recommendations for parking restriction changes, and that this includes a recommendation not to proceed with additional restrictions on Prospect Gardens. (A)

- 7.1.2. **To approve** a proposal to erect new sign(s) indicating "Non Parking on the Bend", to discourage the most problematic instances of parking.
- 7.1.3. **To resolve** that Cllr Squire, as Chair of Council, will write to B&NES to express dismay at the lack of enforcement action against the developments of Charmy Down Barns, which have continued in the absence of planning permission and contravention of planning regulations, and to urge them to take action urgently. (The Parish Council had opposed Planning Application Reference 23/00429/FUL at its meeting in February 2023).

8. Nature and Environment Working Group

8.1. To receive a verbal report from Cllr Lewis, Lead of the Working Group.

9. Communication and Community Working Group

- **9.1. To receive** a verbal report from Cllr Skelton, Lead of the Working Group.
- **9.2.** In light of the recent severe floods in the village, **to resolve** to seek to create a Community Emergency Response Team.

PROJECT GROUPS

10. Suffragette Memorial Project Group

10.1. To receive a report from the Project Group on progress with the installation of the memorial to suffragettes in the Eagle Road Phone Box. (Cllr McCarthy)

11. Elmhurst Growing Spaces

11.1. To receive an update on progress from the Clerk (Clerk, A)

STANDING ITEMS AND REPORTS

12. Planning Applications

- **12.1. To review** the following Planning Applications notified by Bath and North East Somerset Council since the last meeting, and **to approve** responses:
 - 12.1.1. Reference Number: 24/04200/FUL
 Site Location: 165 High Street Batheaston BA1 7DW
 Description of Proposal: Erection of single storey timber outbuilding and decking for use as home office and holiday let (retrospective)
- **12.2. To note** the following Decisions by Bath and North East Somerset Council since the last meeting:
 - 12.2.1. Application Number: 24/03935/FUL Decision:- PERMIT
 - 12.2.2. Application Number: 23/04209/FUL Decision:- REFUSE

12.3. To note that these accord with the Parish Council's comments, albeit in the latter case with a hope that an "amicable compromise could be found, by making some amendment to the application".

13. Clerk's Report

- **13.1. To receive** a report from the Clerk. (Clerk, A)
 - 13.1.1. **To resolve** to submit a response indicating opposition to both remote meetings and proxy voting to the current government consultation. (A)

14. Chair's Report

14.1. To receive a verbal report from the Chairman.

Forthcoming Meetings:

HR and Finance Committee Meetings – 16th December 2024 Parish Council Meeting 14th January 2025

Council meetings are open to the public, and members of the public are welcome to join and may speak by invitation.

Signed: - Parish Clerk Date issued: 5th December 2024