

Minutes of the Meeting

Held at the Old School House at 7.30pm on Monday 27 November 2006

Present: Cllrs: Brian HUGGETT (Chairman) Simon ADAMS (Vice Chairman)
Sue BARBER David BLAND Margot GRAY
Nicola JEFFERIES Brian SCURLOCK

District Cllr: Rosemary TODD

1 elector of the parish

Clerk: Chris DELL

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - There were no absences.
2. PARISHIONERS MATTERS – There were none.
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Cllr Scurlock declared a personal interest in respect of item 6.1(a).
4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS – The minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2006, having previously been circulated to all members, were approved. Proposed: Cllr Bland. Seconded Cllr Gray. Agreed.
5. MATTERS ARISING
 - (a) *Towards Zero Waste 2020 - Waste Strategy for B&NES* – Clerk reported on observed usage of recycling boxes at Innox Grove (13 out of 22 houses), the rest of Englishcombe village (all except 6) and Haycombe (2 out of 8); about 80% over the whole parish. It is proposed to deliver leaflets to houses which may not be recycling to explain the benefits and the details of B&NES arrangements. Chairman to speak to District Cllr Todd regarding the former.
 - (b) *Decisions made by non-elected bodies*: Clerk reported that the subject had been discussed at ALCA district meeting and AGM and at Parish Liaison meeting. ALCA to take it to NALC again and B&NES Council to discuss the issue.
 - (c) *Web site* – Clerk invited feedback to himself and / or Cllr Bland.
 - (d) *Parish Plan* – to be discussed at next meeting
 - (e) *Field Boundaries project* – with Clerk
 - (f) *Ring & Ride scheme* – Clerk reported that he had received a few copies of leaflet which he produced, and had been informed that there are problems of access for the bus. Agreed to contact those in the parish thought to be eligible for the scheme to establish demand and then to go back to co-ordinators to try to resolve the problems.
 - (g) *Clerk's contract* – to be carried forward to next AGM
6. PLANNING
 - 6.1 New Applications
 - (a) *06/02327/FUL Elm Tree Farm, Inglesbatch – Change of use to Agricultural vehicle repair workshop*. Council agreed to support the application in principle as being more appropriate to the location than haulage and recovery business, subject to the following:
 - B&NES Planning Services should clarify the ownership position in the light of the contradiction between the Certificate of Ownership and the letter of 15 November from Mrs J Scurlock and should ensure that the application is supported by accurate and valid documentation,
 - confirmation should be sought that haulage and recovery activities, listed as current uses of the site are to be discontinued,
 - Planning Services should also satisfy themselves that the environmental implications of the proposed usage are satisfactory, in particular drainage, arrangements for disposal of waste (eg engine oil) and level of noise to be generated.Council noted that residents had expressed concerns regarding traffic in the area but considered that the level of traffic indicated by the application, which is for a business by a sole trader, was acceptable.
 - 6.2 Correspondence / results and other matters
 - (a) *06/02796/FUL – The Chantry, Inglesbatch – Conversion to a single dwelling* – it was noted that permission had been granted.
 - (b) *06/03301/CLEU Fosseway Environment Park - Use as general industrial (class B2) throughout the site with ancillary storage and office uses* – Council ratified the comments that had been made.
 - (c) *06/02345/REN Elm Tree Farm Inglesbatch – continued use of mobile home* – it was noted that the application had been refused.
 - (d) *06/03213/AGRN Home Farm Inglesbatch – erection of a new barn* – It was noted that B&NES had decided that agricultural prior approval was not required.
 - (e) *Appeal 05/00028/NONDET Fosseway Environment Park – Erection of a wind turbine* – it was noted that the appeal has been withdrawn.

- (f) *Consultation on proposed modifications to the B&NES Local Plan* – It was decided that a representation should be made to object to the inclusion under policy S3 of retail development at the site at Odd Down on the grounds that the area is already adequately provided with retail outlets and that such development would significantly adversely affect existing retail businesses in the south and south-west of Bath from Combe Down to Moreland Road.
- (g) *Regional Spatial Strategy* – Clerk reported on the Duchy's thinking which centred on land above and to the west of Newton Mill camp site, between Pennyquick and the A4. He also reported that the preliminary list of matters and participants for the Examination in Public had been published with an opportunity to comment until 15 December. Council's major concerns were included in the list of subjects but the Council was not listed as a participant. It was decided not to make any comment.
- (h) *Padleigh Cottage* – It was noted that the direct access to Padleigh Hill has now been fenced off.
- (i) *Statement of Community Involvement for Planning – Public consultation to 17 January 2007*. It was agreed that Chairman and Clerk should consider further whether any submission should be made.

7. FINANCE

7.1 Council approved the following payments:

(a) Street Sweeping November 2006	£173.84
(b) David Bland (Web site registration)	£45.83
(c) Chairman's expenses	£122.00
(d) Donation to Salem Chapel	£300.00

Proposed Cllr Gray, Seconded Cllr Barber. Agreed.

7.2 Council ratified the following payments:

(a) Street Sweeping October 2006	£173.84
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7.3 Financial State – Council noted the current position, showing a balance of £4,701.87 reducing to £4,139.40 as a result of the items approved under 7.1.

8. BRISTOL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT MASTER PLAN –

- (a) *Further consultation*. Council agreed that no further submission should be made.
- (b) Chairman reported on a meeting he had had with Dan Norris MP

9. HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS

- (a) *Track from Inglesbatch to Wilmington* – Chairman reported that he had not had a response to his enquiry to B&NES as to responsibility in the event of injury / damage caused as a result of the poor state of the track

10. ALCA SURVEY – Council agreed the draft response which had been circulated and completed the outstanding question.

11. REPORT BY DISTRICT CLLR ROSEMARY TODD. District Cllr Todd reported on:

- Success in achieving drainage work at Inglesbatch
- The desirability of incorporating sustainability criteria in planning requirements
- The implications of dwindling household sizes in reducing village populations and hence making it harder to maintain services
- District Cllr Todd had no detailed knowledge of the Green Spaces strategy which is currently out for consultation; Council agreed that no submission should be made.

12. REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS/ CLERK: Chairman reported on:

- ALCA meeting 4 October 2006
- Parish Liaison Meeting 25 October 2006
- Parish Councils Airport Association meeting
- Meeting with Duchy 14 November:

13. CORRESPONDENCE Council noted that the following were being circulated

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| (a) Breach Wood | (i) Weekly lists of planning applications 35 – 44 |
| (b) coppicing scheme | (j) Briefing papers from Parish Liaison Meeting 25/10/06 |
| (c) Planning Application Ashes Hill Farm – Decision Letter | (k) Newsletter from Chief Superintendent Olivia Pinkney |
| (d) Letter and progress report – 'Cleaner Communities' | (l) ALCA news November 2006 |
| (e) 'Rethink Rubbish' leaflets | (m) The Good Councillor's guide |
| (f) Community Alarm Service | (n) Countryside Voice |
| (g) ALCA Newsletter October 2006 | |
| (h) Community Action newsletter – September 2006 | |
| (o) (CPRE) – autumn 2006 | |

14. MATTERS FOR NEXT MEETING None were identified

15. There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm

The next meeting will be held at the Old School, Englishcombe on Monday, 29 January at 7.30pm .