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## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Ref.	Item and Minute	Action
	<b>Present:</b> In the Chair Cllr Josie Pownall; Cllr Mary-Anne Ansell, Cllr Paul Carroll, Cllr David Collett, Cllr Mark Foster, Cllr Ray Merchant, Cllr Nick Lewis, Cllr Peter Randall, Cllr Sean Stephenson-McGall, Clerk: Angela Wilson	
5350	<b>1. Welcome and Apologies</b> Apologies were received from Cllrs K C Bradley, Sheila Clarke, Debbie Murphy and Shaun Stephenson-McGall	
5351	<b>2. Declarations of interest</b> None	
5352	<b>3. Minutes of the last meeting</b> The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman	
5353	<b>4. Matters Arising</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5338 (re 5319, 5299, 5281, 5263, 5244, 5228, 5201, 5157 ) A quote has been received from National Grid which includes approximately £3000 for fees to close Chapel Walk whilst works on underground cabling for two of the streetlights is carried out. It was agreed that the amount involved would negate the savings of upgrading the streetlights to LED and it would be more economic to stay with the existing streetlights as long as they would be repairable in the future. The Clerk would contact Volker to ascertain whether this would be possible and to also confirm that the luminosity of the lights still needs to be reduced in that vicinity.</li> <li>• 5338 (re 5319, 5299, 5281, 5264) The Clerk will continue to pursue contact details for Emlett field should future communication with them be required.</li> <li>• 5338 (re 5319, 5302) The list of cost of repairs to the play equipment is still awaited from B&amp;NES Council.</li> <li>• 5338 (re 5319, 5304) Once the Parish Council have identified the type of barriers required a local contractor will be sought to quote for the work and also for the placement of the bicycle hoops in the Co-op car park.</li> <li>• 5338(re 5320) This is now covered under agenda item 11.</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5338 (re 5323) Cllr Foster reported that the Bath and West Community Energy will be booking a room at the Conygre Hall to make a presentation in early spring.</li> <li>• 5338 (re 5324) Further information regarding the Vehicle Activated Signs and the AutoSpeedWatch system is still awaited.</li> <li>• 5338 re(5326) The meeting with the YMCA regarding the café area next to the library will not be required for the foreseeable future as the usage of the area by the Library is still minimal. Should there be an increase in demand for the room the Clerk will arrange a meeting with the YMCA to negotiate terms.</li> <li>• 5338 (re 5332) The viability of obtaining a bank card is still being investigated and will be brought to a future meeting.</li> </ul>	<p>MF</p> <p>S S-McG Sh S-McG</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5354	<p><b>5. Presentation by the Conygre Trust</b></p> <p>No members of the Trust were available for the meeting so the Clerk would invite them to the next meeting.</p>	Clerk
5355	<p><b>6. Clerk's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Library and Hub Co-ordinator has tendered her resignation and would be leaving on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023. A staffing committee meeting has been arranged for 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to discuss the arrangements for her replacement.</li> <li>• Notification has been received that the subscription fees for membership of NALC/ALCA for 23/24 will be £707.</li> <li>• Notification has been received from B&amp;NES Council that, following representations from the Parish Council, the 20mph limit will now be extended further along Bloomfield Road and that the national speed limit currently in place at Lippiatt Lane will now be reduced to 20mph. Work is also progressing on road safety enhancements to the sharp bend on The Avenue to make it safer for both pedestrians and motorists.</li> <li>• The Christmas tree in the Miners' Garden has now been taken down and will be removed by B&amp;NES council.</li> <li>• A local election briefing by B&amp;NES Democratic Services will be held by Zoom on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and is open to all Clerks and Councillors in the Unitary Authority area.</li> <li>• The B&amp;NES Clean and Green team had been working in the area during December and supplied before and after photos of the work they had carried out.</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk/MA</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5356	<p><b>7a. Planning Applications to B&amp;NES for the Parish Council to consider.</b></p> <p>No applications have been received.</p> <p><b>7b. B&amp;NES Decisions on Planning Applications</b></p> <p><i>The following decision was received after the agenda was published:</i></p> <p><u>22/04493/FUL</u> 19 Bloomfield Close, Timsbury BA2 0LP Proposed two-storey side extension PERMIT</p>	



5363	<p><b>14. Finance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expenditure since the last meeting was circulated to members and will be shown on the Parish Council finance pages on <a href="http://www.timsbury.org.uk/parishcouncil">www.timsbury.org.uk/parishcouncil</a></li> <li>A meeting of the Finance Committee will be taking place on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 where the 23/24 budget will be discussed.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>15. Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Clerk from High Littleton emailed to advise that many of their Parishioners use St Mary's Surgery in Timsbury but the roads and walkways in the vicinity tend to be icy in inclement weather as they are not included on the B&amp;NES Council gritting route. High Littleton councillors are petitioning the Highways Authority to get the areas added to the gritting schedule and have asked for Timsbury Parish Council support with this. <i>It was unanimously agreed that the clerk should write to B&amp;NES Highways supporting the gritting of the area in the vicinity of the Surgery.</i></li> <li>B&amp;NES will be holding a ceremony to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day and to mark the 78<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. This will take place at the Guildhall at 5.45pm on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023.</li> <li>B&amp;NES Council has launched a consultation on their budget proposals for 23/24 and, as part of this, are asking residents whether they support an increase in council tax of 4.99%. Responses have to be with them by 20<sup>th</sup> January 23.</li> </ul>	Clerk
5365	<p><b>16. Matters of interest and information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staffing Committee, 11am 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023, YMCA café area</li> <li>Finance Committee, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023, 7.30pm Jeff Sluggett Room, Conygre Hall</li> <li>Online election briefing for Clerks and Councillors 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023 6pm by Zoom</li> <li>B&amp;NES ALCA Meeting 1st February 7.30pm remotely</li> <li>PCAA Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 7.30pm by Zoom</li> <li>Young People's working group meeting 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023, 7.30pm</li> </ul>	

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10 pm

Approved and signed as a correct record of the meeting:

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The next meeting will be on  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Myra Hayward Room,  
Conygre Hall, North Road**

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