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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Monday 3rd July 2023

Ref.	Item and Minute	Action
	<p>Present: In the Chair Cllr K C Bradley, Cllr Mark Foster (Vice Chairman), Cllr Mary-Anne Ansell, Cllr Paul Carroll, Cllr David Collett, Cllr Jayne Langley, Cllr Nick Lewis, Cllr Ray Merchant, Cllr Debbie Murphy, Cllr Josie Pownall, Cllr Peter Randall, Cllr Sean Stephenson-McGall, Cllr Shaun Stephenson-McGall</p> <p>Clerk: Angela Wilson</p>	
5458	<p>1. Welcome and Apologies There were no apologies and the Chairman welcomed members to the meeting.</p>	
5459	<p>2. Declarations of Interest None</p>	
5460	<p>3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record.</p>	
5461	<p>4. Matters Arising</p> <p>5443 – The Chairman reported that the Conygre Hall 50th Anniversary and Village Day on 10th June had been very well attended and he extended his thanks to the Councillors who had given their time to help make the event so successful. A special mention was given to Cllr Foster who helped all of the day during the event and to Cllr Lewis who assisted with the clearing up the day after.</p> <p>5451 – The request for a plinth representing coal for the miner’s statue has been passed to the Secretary of the Somerset Miners’ Welfare Association who will pass the request to the Trust for consideration.</p> <p>5454 – A purchase order for £736 plus vat for the repair of the play area gates has been raised and passed to the contractor.</p>	
5462	<p>5. Clerk’s Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two further suggested projects for expenditure of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) have been received and will be passed to the CIL working group for consideration. • Bicycle hoops have now been placed at the rear of the Timsbury Co-op car park and are covered by the store’s CCTV system. • The B&NES Green and Clean team have been in the village clearing vegetation. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The defibrillator battery and pads will need replacing soon as they are coming to the end of their shelf life. <i>It was unanimously agreed that further battery and pads should be purchased.</i> The Information Commissioner's Office annual fee of £35 is now due. This is a compulsory fee payable by all organisations that processes personal information and will result in a fine if not paid. <i>It was unanimously agreed that the fee of £35 be paid to the ICO.</i> 	
5463	6. Planning applications to B&NES for the Parish Council to consider No planning applications had been received since the previous meeting.	
5464	7. B&NES Decisions on Planning Applications <u>23/01480/FUL</u> 1 Bloomfield Avenue, Timsbury BA2 0LW Erection of two-storey rear and side extension following demolition of garage. <i>PERMIT</i>	
5465	8. Conygre Trust liaison report The Trust were very delighted with the attendance and positive feedback from residents for the 50 th Anniversary celebration over the weekend of 10 th and 11 th June 2023. The increase in fees for the ground maintenance of the Trust field had now been implemented and backdated to the agreed date of 1 st April 2023.	
5466	9. Reports from delegates to other organisations Parish Councils' Airport Association - Cllr Sean Stephenson-McGall reported that the AGM had taken place and there were now 29 member councils. The subscription would be increasing next year to take account of the revised role of the Secretary. The application to appeal against the expansion of the airport had been rejected but legal advice is currently being sought to ascertain whether a further appeal would be possible.	
5467	10. Minutes and recommendations of the Communications Committee The draft minutes of the Communications Committee meeting held on 19 th June 2023 had been circulated prior to the meeting. There were no recommendations forthcoming from the meeting and a couple of factual amendments would be made to the minutes before publication.	Clerk
5468	11. Finance The Parish Council expenditure since the last meeting had been circulated to councillors and a copy placed on the website www.timsbury.uk/parishcouncil	
5469	12. Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Councillor from a local Parish Council is looking to set up a 'Climate Emergency Advisory Panel'. As Timsbury has some experience in setting up a panel she is looking for advice on how to get started. Cllr Ansell volunteered to contact her to discuss this further. A resident had contacted a councillor with concerns regarding the narrowness of the pavement on The Avenue corner proving problematic for anyone using a mobility aid such as a walking frame. It was agreed that this was a recurring problem that was impracticable to solve due to land ownership issues. The new road layout and enhanced pedestrian safety should, however, go some way to resolving this issue. A resident advised that the wall between the cemetery and cinder path from The Square to The Avenue is being vandalised. This has 	MA

	<p>been reported by the Ward Councillor to both the Police and the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ward Councillor has been invited to put forward further Green Spaces for nomination into the new Local Plan in addition to the five already in place. The meeting suggested that the area adjacent to the bus stop in Lansdown Crescent and the playground on Greenvale Drive be included and these would be passed on to the Ward Councillor. • A pre-submission draft of the High Littleton and Hallatrow Neighbourhood Development Plan has been placed on the High Littleton Parish Council website for viewing and comment as part of their statutory consultation. • B&NES has set up the next phase of workshops for the development of the Local Plan with the next one for the Somer Valley area being held on 26th July 2023 at Gullock Tynning. • ALCA has forwarded details of a guide to Town and Parish Councils for the forthcoming D-Day 80 event on 6th June 2024 encouraging communities to light a beacon at 9.15pm on the day to represent the 'light of peace' that emerged from the darkness of war. • A resident has asked if he could share his proposed planning application with the Parish Council to ascertain their views. It was agreed that the B&NES Planning Authority would be the correct vehicle for this. • WECA is working on several projects to put in place the infrastructure to improve bus services, walking and cycling as part of their vision for a greener, better connected transport network. One of these projects is the 'Somer Valley Links' covering travel between Midsomer Norton, Westfield and Radstock and Bath/Bristol along the A37, A362 and A367. Proposals include improved bus stops; extended bus lanes and improved junctions; new cycling and walking routes; mobility hubs. A consultation will be running until 6th August 2023 to obtain feedback from residents. The website address is www.haveyoursaywest.co.uk • The Joint Local Access Forum for Bath and North East Somerset is a statutory body advises public bodies on improving access to land for the purpose of open-air recreation and enjoyment. It is looking for new members and would welcome applications from interested parties with a land-management, farming or landowning background to email: graeme_stark@bathnes.gov.uk 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5470	<p>13. Matters of Interest and Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Somer Valley Walking Festival, Conygre Hall - 10th Sept 23 10am and 2pm • Parish Liaison meeting – 18th October 2023 (venue to be agreed) 	

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.36pm
Approved and signed as a correct record of the meeting:

Chairman: _____

Date: _____

**The next meeting will be on
Monday 4th September 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Jeff Sluggett room, Conygre Hall,
North Road**

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