

WESTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held at the Oval Office,
St Peters Business Park, Westfield on
Monday 5th November 2012 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Chair: Cllr G Fuller
Councillors: R Appleyard, A Butcher, A Clarke, R Moss
S Hamilton, E Newman, B Wallbridge and
P Wilkinson.
In Attendance: Mrs L Welch, Parish Clerk
Mrs B Burrige, Administrator
2 Members of the Public

Comments from the Public

Two members of the Meadow Rangers Football Club spoke about the difficulties the Club were having finding the money to pay for two teams. The reserve team is mainly made up of 16 and 17 year olds who are not working and cannot afford the subs. The teams want to start fundraising to help with the cost of running the club and build up some money in reserve.

78. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted with the reasons given from:

- Cllr S Russell who was unwell.

79. Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared in respect of Item 7, Recommended Grants:-

- Cllr G Fuller – Personal Interest in Meadow Rangers
- Cllr R Appleyard – Disclosable pecuniary interest as an allotment holder and member of W.A.G.S. he took no part in the discussions and left the room.
- Cllr R Moss – Personal interest in W.A.G.S.

80. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – 1st October 2012

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 1st October 2012 be signed as a correct record.

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81. Matters arising from the minutes for reporting only

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

82. Committee Reports

- Resolved:**
- 1) That the Minutes and recommendations contained therein of the Environment & Development meeting held on 8th October 2012 be noted;
 - 2) That the Minutes and recommendations contained therein of the Finance & Personnel meeting held on 22nd October 2012 be noted.

Chair of the Finance & Personnel gave an update on the minutes.

- a) A volunteer was required for bank signatory.

Resolved: Cllr A Appleyard was agreed as a bank signatory for Parish Council and Trust accounts.

- b) Christmas Party

Resolved: That this would not take place this year but with the help of Age UK something will be organised next year.

- 3) That the recommendations of the Finance & Personnel Working Party held on 24th October would be covered under Recommended Grants.

83. Defibrillator for Westfield

Resolved: That this be agreed in principal and that the Parish Clerk liaise with Joanne Pawley. Once clarification is obtained this can be brought back if necessary to the next meeting.

84. Recommended Grants

Resolved: The following grants were agreed:-

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| W.I.S.H | £500 |
| Radstock Scout Group | £750 |
| Radstock Baptist Church | £1,000 |
| Midsomer Norton and District Carnival - In principle up to March 2015 if we are financially able. | £3,500 |

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| P.E.O.P.L.E. | £1,000 |
| Westhill Club | Direct to Quartet for Funding advice as the project is better suited to a National Lottery grant |
| W.A.G.S. | £1,000 |
| Swan Advice | £975 |
| MSN Silver Band | Deferred for more information |
| Meadow Rangers | £300 cheque at season end, subject to all fees being paid |
| The Community Bus | £2,000 |
| Radstock PCC | Refused as one grant was made in 2011 for £1,414 and another in 2012 for £1,500. |

85. Reports from Outside Bodies

85.1 Westfield Quester Meeting

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting be noted.

85.2 Request for a representative to attend a Focus Group on Youth Support

Resolved: That feedback from the 8th November meeting be requested.

86. To Confirm Cllr Butcher's Membership of the Environment and Development Committee

Resolved: That Cllr Butcher be appointed as a Member of the Environment and Development Committee

87. Chairman's Report

The Chair reported that Westfield Parish Council had achieved Quality Status and thanked the staff for their hard work. A press release announcing this should be accompanied by a photo of the staff.

A letter had appeared in the Journal thanking the Council for the new access way at Upper Court.

On Friday the flags will be going up on the shops for Remembrance Sunday and the Council has now obtained permission from Curo for the flag pole

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(donated by Midsomer Norton and District Carnival Association) to be erected near the Christmas tree. The Council felt that behind the tree would be preferable.

A notice went up on the 25th October to advertise the vacancy on the Council and nominations should be received by 14th November. It was recommended that an election should be encouraged.

On 15th November, Carnival night a stall will be set up under the gazebo in front of the Christmas Tree to chat to residents and offer a hot drink. All Councillors were encouraged to attend.

88. Bath and North East Somerset Councillors' report

Cllr Moss reported that next month BANES will be producing the budget and by then an announcement from the Government about the precept will be available.

Cllr Appleyard informed Members that the Community Awards were taking place at the Guildhall in Bath and Wansdyke Scouts were up for one of the four special awards.

Cllr Appleyard confirmed that the Pit Path adoption as a cycle path was proceeding slowly.

The Meeting finished at 8.20 pm

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