

Westfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Environment and Development Committee Meeting held at the Oval Office, St Peters Business Park, Westfield on Monday 9th April 2018 commencing at 7pm

Present: Cllr B Wallbridge (Chair), A Butcher, D Cooper (Vice Chair), G Fuller, R Hopkins, E Jackson and P Williams.

Apologies: Cllr K Docherty,

Also attending: Lesley Welch, Parish Clerk and Tracey Stephens, Admin Assistant

171. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Kevin Docherty

172. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

- Cllr Jackson declared an interest in item 4, Planning Applications for consideration as a member of the BaNES Development Management Committee.
- Cllr Cooper declared an interest in item 4, Planning Applications for consideration, 18/01408/FUL as she is a personal friend of the applicants.

173. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

174. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

There were no objections to the following applications:

18/01200/FUL	32 Bryant Avenue	Erection of two storey rear extension
18/01408/FUL	4 Fosseway	Removal of existing conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension

175. PLANNING DECISIONS

The planning decisions were noted.

176. PLANNING APPEAL

The planning appeal 18/00021/RF, 6 Westfield Terrace, rear garden pigeon loft was noted

177. HELAA SITE ASSESSMENT TRAINING

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It was noted that the maps for the Draft HELAA are out of date. Up to date maps are to be circulated by BaNES once they are available.

- Resolved:** (1) Replacement maps to be circulated to Councillors when they are received.
(2) Cllr Hopkins, and possibly Cllr Fuller to attend the HELAA site assessment training on 3rd May.

178. TELEPHONE BOX

Cllr Hopkins is waiting to hear from Dave Dixon of BaNES to discuss this further.

179. PROPOSED LARCH COURT ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk is regularly in contact with Persimmon Homes and waiting for a reply.

180. RECREATION GROUND – NORTON HILL

There were no items to discuss regarding Norton Hill.

181. RECREATION GROUND – WESTHILL

It was noted that Westhill Club preferred not to pursue the taking of a lease.

- Resolved:** in order to better understand the legal framework to formally request the names of the trustees of Westhill Club

182. WESTFIELD MASSACHUSETTS

An update was given regarding the broadcast through Somer Valley FM with Westfield Massachusetts on New Year's Eve

183. EVENTS

Litter pick 17th March: Cllr Cooper reported that five groups of people went out in different areas of Westfield and collected 29 bags of litter in extremely cold weather.

The Chairman offered thanks to Cllr Cooper for her work on the project and also gave thanks to all the volunteers. Extra thanks were given to Mr Cooper for his help – he had delivered all the equipment to all the groups and then went around afterwards and collected the bags of rubbish.

- Resolved:** to write a formal letter to BaNES requesting a litter bin opposite Norton Hill School on Nightingale Way.

Presence at the St Peter's Summer Fete 23rd June:

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Resolved: to accept the invitation from St Peter's Church to have a stall at their Summer Fete on Saturday 23rd June.

Christmas lights switch on:

Resolved: (1) to accept the quote for £368.00 from SAS (Bristol) Ltd for safety barriers at the Christmas lights switch on.
(2) to invite St Peters Church to take part in the event.

184. DEFIBRILLATORS

Resolved: To contact WAGS to ascertain if they would be prepared to do the weekly checks, and if they will to install a defibrillator at Westfield Surgery at a cost of £1680.00

185. HANGING BASKET BRACKETS

The faulty brackets are to be repaired this week

186. GRITTERS

Cllr Butcher raised an issue with one of the gritter's wheel. Committee was advised that repair is to be carried out by one of the snow wardens, Mr Ross Thayer. It was requested that wardens should be issued with more appropriate protective clothing, eg. gloves and hi-viz coats.

187. HERITAGE WALKS

Resolved: to make the two revisions to the route that were noted

188. LAND IN FRONT OF 3 RUSKIN ROAD

Resolved: Cllr Jackson to contact Enforcement at BaNES to resolve the issue.

189. LITTER BINS

There was no update on the request for further litter bins in Westfield.

190. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Ask BaNES to enhance the area around the war memorial/time capsule stone in Westfield as part of their clean up of the memorials in Bath
- Air pollution on A367
- Concerns over the Man Engine event that took place at Bath College grounds, Wells Road, Westfield. Cllr Hopkins to draft a statement for the residents of Westfield to be circulated to Councillors.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

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