Westfield Parish Council

WESTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held at the Oval Office, St Peters Business Park, Westfield on Tuesday 7th April 2015 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Chair: Cllr G Fuller (Chair)

Cllrs A Butcher, D Cooper, S Hamilton, R Moss and B

Wallbridge.

Absent: Cllrs R Appleyard, A Clarke, E Newman, S Russell.

Lesley Welch, Parish Clerk Attending:

140. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Russell who had a work commitment and Cllrs Clarke, Newman and Wilkinson who were unavailable.

141. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

142. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – Monday 2nd March 2015

That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd Resolved:

March 2015 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

143. **Committee Reports**

(a) Environment and Development Committee - 9th March 2015

That the Minutes of the Environment and Resolved:

Development meeting held on 9th March 2015, be

noted.

(b) Finance and Personnel Committee – 18th March 2015

That the Minutes of the Finance and Personnel Resolved

meeting held on 18th March 2015 be noted.

144. Approval of items over £5,000 and consideration of any virement

that the Somer Valley FM invoice in respect of Big Local funds Resolved:

be agreed in the amount of £5,230.75.

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145. Boules at Norton Hill Recreation Ground

The Council discussed an Open Session to encourage a Boules team for Westfield.

Resolved:

- (1) to purchase two boules sets at approximately £14 each;
- (2) to publicise the event with a banner;
- (3) to promote Tuesday evenings for Boules, with an open evening on Tuesday 28th April 2015, inviting Bath League of

Petanque to visit Westfield for this event.

146. Annual Report 2014/15

Resolved: That the Annual Report 2014/15 be agreed.

147. Annual Parish Meeting on 26th March 2014

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting were circulated for information.

Resolved:

- (1) that the s.106 spreadsheet be put on the website
- (2) that the BANES Councillors continue to chase with BANES items relating to parking on Waterside Road and the Nightingale Estate.
- (3) The Chairman reported that he had a meeting with Cllr Paul Myers of Midsomer Norton about jointly requesting lighting on the paths from Nightingale Way to the Pit Path and along the cycle track.

148. Treasury Management Policy 2015

Resolved: That the Treasury Management Policy 2015 be agreed.

149. Code of Corporate Governance

Resolved: That the Code of Corporate Governance 2015 be agreed.

150. Annual Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Control Environment

Resolved: That the Annual Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Control Environment be agreed.

151. Equalities Policy

The Clerk reported that NALC had just produced a Model Equalities Policy, which was circulated at the meeting.

Resolved: That the Model Equalities Policy be reviewed by the Finance and

Personnel Committee with a recommendation brought back to

the Council.

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152. Community Engagement Strategy and Action Plan

Resolved: That the Community Engagement Strategy and Action Plan be

agreed.

153. <u>Local Flood Representatives</u>

The Council received a request from BANES for nominations to the role of Local Flood Representative.

Resolved: that the Chairman be nominated for the role of Local Flood

Representative..

154. Membership of the Joint Access Local Forum

The Council received an invitation to nominate a representative to the Joint Access Local Forum.

Resolved: that Cllr Andrew Butcher be nominated as a member of the

JLAF.

155. Outside Bodies Reports

Chamber of Commerce: Cllr Cooper reported on a recent meeting where the change of name to Somer Valley Chamber of Commerce had been agreed. Under this umbrella Chambers for different areas might be set up, including one in Westfield.

156. Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on the successful Annual Parish Meeting, which had been well attended by Councillors and members of the public.

Since this was the last full Parish Council meeting of the four year term, the Chairman thanked Councillors for all their work over the years. It had been a great experience to work with them. He also thanked the office staff for their support.

157. Bath and North East Somerset Councillors' report

Cllr Moss reported on arrangements within BANES for the elections.

The meeting	closed	at 7.35pm

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