

Parish Council of Coleford

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21st February 2017

Present

Cllr P Ham (Chairman)
Cllr, Conn, Talbot, Horler, Banks, Evans, Littlechild, Fisher and Townsend

There were no members of the public present

Public Forum

- 1 Cllr Horler had been advised of an accident on footpath FR4/15 where a broken leg was sustained crossing a stile. This was believed to be the damaged stile by the stream. Clerk to report to Rights of Way Officer. VW

POST MEETING NOTE!

It has since come to light that it was not the stile that had caused the accident but in fact a hole in the ground. The Clerk to notify the Rights of Way team.

- 2 The Chair reported that legal proceedings were in progress against the youth who had damaged the Christmas Tree.
- 3 Cllr Evans noted further complaints about failures to empty dog bins. Cllr Horler was asked to pursue with Mendip DC. VH
- 4 There was a report of a hedge overhanging the footpath on Anchor Rd. The precise location to be checked so the Clerk can write to the householder. VW
- 5 Cllr Littlechild had been asked about a tap at the Goodeaves allotments. It was noted that the builders at Mackintosh View had promised one but this had never materialized

1 **Apologies for Absence (acceptance of any reasons offered)**

Cllrs Gurd and Neesam sent apologies which were accepted by the Chair.

2 **Declaration of Interest and Dispensations granted since last meeting**

Cllr Ham declared an interest in planning application 2017/0209/LBC as a neighbour.

Cllr Horler declared an interest in agenda item 3 as the owner of The Green on Local Plan part 2.

3 **Local Plan Part II Designated Greens spaces and Sports facilities.**

The Chair noted that the Clerk had submitted to Mendip DC the response to the housing allocation issue as agreed at the previous Meeting. The Council now had to comment on the lists of local Green Spaces and sports pitches as proposed by Mendip's email dated 21-12-16. After extensive discussion the following lists were proposed. These are to be forwarded immediately to the Clerk for circulation to all Councillors for a final opportunity to comment before submission to Mendip.

- LGSCOLE001 and 005 - both sections at the back of Beacon View that we own (could this just be one item?)

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- LGSCOLE002 - Careys Mead. This is identified on the Mendip map as the section between Careys Mead and Preachers Vale. Of at least equal significance is the green oval in the middle of Careys Mead which should be ADDED as a new item.
- LGSCOLE003 - Farley Dell. The green stretch in the middle. All agreed.
- LGSCOLE004 - The Green. All agreed.
- ADD - Church St Garden opposite the Surgery
- ADD - Beacon View - green triangle at the southern corner
- ADD - Underhill - the green triangle inside the apex of the bend, owned by Somerset CC
- ADD - Highbury St - entering the village from Vobster, all the green areas on the right covering Stockhill, Goodeaves and Mackintosh View
- ADD - Lower Playing Field - the Butterfly Bank and wood and former Allotment area
- ADD - Goodeaves - Allotment area
- ADD - Goodeaves - New play area
- ADD - Roman Way - Play area
- ADD - Highbury Playing Field - Play area

Sports Pitches

- Highbury Playing Field - football, already included
- Highbury Playing Field - multi sport hard playing area
- Lower Playing Field - football
- Bishop Henderson School - hard playing area
- Newbury House, Priory School - multi sports pitches

4 Planning Applications

- 4.1 2017/0209/LBC – Replacement of modern roof covering with slate. Replacement of 2 modern roof lights with conservation type roof lights.
Newbury Manor School, Tinkers Lane, Newbury, Frome

Councillors reviewed the plans. A recommendation to Accept was Proposed by Cllr Conn and Seconded by Cllr Horler.

Voting FOR 7, AGAINST Nil, ABSTENTIONS 2 (District Councillors)

- 4.2 2017/0194/OTS – Outline application for a single dwelling on land adjacent to 1 Roseberry Cottages
Land adjacent to 1 Roseberry Cottages, Highbury Street, Coleford

Councillors reviewed the outline plans. A recommendation to Accept on the basis that the Parish is consulted again when the detailed application is made was proposed by Cllr Littlechild and Seconded by Cllr Evans

Voting FOR 7, AGAINST Nil, ABSTENTIONS 2 (District Councillors)

6 Matters of Urgency – at the Chairman’s Discretion

The Chair reminded Councillors of the meeting with Coleford Athletic Football Club on Saturday 25th, when at least 3 members of the Club were expected to attend. The total costs of running the Highbury Playing Field will be tabled. It was noted that Darren Wilkins had advised that the current circuit could not take the additional shower requested. Councillors asked if the switching off of the floodlights would allow the extra shower to be added.

The Chair noted the receipt of planning application ref 2016/3130 for the conversion of an agricultural building at Owls Nest as “Permitted Development”. This is in parallel to the Enforcement process already in progress. Parish Councillors expressed concern at the apparent attempt to circumvent the ongoing enforcement action. The legal status of the application is being urgently sought from Mendip DC.

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21 Date of Next Meetings:

Wednesday 8 th March 2017	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday 21 st March 2017	Planning Meeting