

Parish Council of Coleford

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

Present

Cllr P Ham (Chairman)
Cllr Conn, Evans, Gurd, Turner and Townsend.

There were no members of the public present

Public Forum

No points were raised.

1 Apologies for Absence (acceptance of any reasons offered)

Cllrs Talbot, Horler, Banks, Littlechild, Fisher and Neesam had sent apologies which were accepted by the Chair.

2 Declaration of Interest and Dispensations granted since last meeting

There were none.

3 Planning Applications

3.1 2017/0445/HSE - TO erect a White PVCu framed roof canopy to the side of the Property Waverley Church Street Coleford Frome BA3 5NQ

All Councillors had considered the plans for the abovementioned application. It was proposed by Cllr Gurd that the application should be approved which was seconded by Cllr Conn.

Voting FOR 4, AGAINST Nil, ABSTENTIONS 2 (District Councillors)

4 Matters of Urgency – at the Chairman’s Discretion

A memorial application had been received from James Long (Masons) Ltd. The Chair read out the details of the memorial for Mr Charles Harris and Mrs Nora Harris. All Councillors agreed that the application was acceptable and should be agreed. The Clerk to notify the applicant.

VW

5 General Discussions

5.1 There was a discussion about the ash tree that borders the Goodeaves allotments. Ownership is being clarified with the neighbouring landowner before falling can proceed.

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5.2 A question was raised as to who owns the triangle of land at Mr Moores end of the allotments. The Clerk to make checks using Land Registry if required.

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The boundaries and rents for the allotments at the lower playing field were queried. This will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

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5.3 Local Green spaces – Cllr Townsend thanked Cllr Conn for his response to the previously circulated document. Councillors were asked for final comments by the 23rd of March so that response can be submitted to Mendip District Council.

- 5.4 Emergency / Contingency planning – Councillor were asked to consider the formation of a working party, not restricted to the Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to circulate the Holcombe plan and to provide the Somerset website detail for consideration. VW
- 5.5 Christmas tree damage – the youth allegedly involved in the damage will appear at Yeovil Court on the 23rd March 2017.
- 5.6 Shaper Mendip Lottery – Cllrs were reminded that the first draw will take place on the 25th March.
- 5.7 BMX track – The track at Leigh on Mendip will open soon. Councillors are encourage to view. Cllr Gurd agreed to lead the working group. Cllr Ham and Cllr Townsend are to investigate funding and hardware from the local quarries. PH/AT
- 5.8 CAFC – Cllr Conn had prepared a revised draft charging spreadsheet which had been circulated to Councillors that attended the working party meeting for comment and agreement. The Clerk had produced a list of CAFC payments to date during the 2016 - 17 season. It was agreed that the letter to CAFC on charges 2017 - 18 should reflect the spreadsheet calculation and payments made this year, with a charge of £1500 for next season." VW
- 5.9 The Clerk to investigate the DBS status of the FA certificate produced. VW
- 5.10 Owls Nest – Mr Browning’s application 2016/3130 was refused by Mendip District Council. Councillors were concerned that the Parish Council and Ward members were not consulted for the “Prior Approval application”. Cllr Ham and Cllr Townsend are proposing revised procedures to Mendip District Council to ensure proper consultation on this type of Application in the future. PH/AT
- 5.11 Post Office – It was noted that there had been a break in last week
- 6 Date of Next Meetings:**
 Wednesday 12th April 2017 Parish Council Meeting
 Tuesday 25th April 2017 Planning Meeting