

**Minutes of a Meeting of Wrington Parish Council
held in the John Locke Room on Wednesday 17 February 2016**

Present: Cllr D Glynn (Chairman) Cllr J Rawlins
Cllr G Bigg Cllr D Robertson
Cllr J Fowler Cllr D Simpson
Cllr G Lankester Cllr B Taylor
Mrs F Burke (Clerk) Cllr D Yamanaka

In attendance: Mr Simon Lovell, Mr Richard Jones (Local Access Forum).

-
1. To receive apologies for non-attendance and to approve the reasons where appropriate.
Apologies were received from Cllr Ledbury (personal commitment), Cllr Woolf (family commitment) and Leo Taylor, NSC Parish Liaison Officer.
 2. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the register of interests.
No declarations of interests were received.
 3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held 20 January 2016.
The minutes were signed as a true record.
 4. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.
 5. Mr Richard Jones to address the Council on the Local Access Forum and how it works with parish councils.

Richard Jones introduced himself and described the role of the North Somerset Local Access Forum (LAF). He explained that the LAF had been set up by NSC and that its role is generally advisory. The LAF considers and aims to help with local public rights of way and open space issues, with its members acting as representatives for certain parishes. Mr Jones is now the LAF link with Congresbury and Wrington parishes. The Bristol Water southern resilience scheme was mentioned as an example of the LAF's work where liaison with all concerned should help to ensure that footpaths and bridleways are left useable both during the work and when it's been completed. The Chair then commented on the ongoing parish footpath survey and advised that the Council hopes to digitise the survey results once completed. The Two Rivers Way culvert problem between Wrington and Congresbury was discussed briefly. Mr Jones offered to walk the path to see what else could be done to improve this footpath. The Chair thanked Mr Jones for attending and he left the meeting.

6. Mr Simon Lovell to address the Council in relation to his request to be co-opted to the Council.
Mr Lovell spoke about his reasons for wanting to be co-opted to the Council and then answered questions from the Councillors.
Mr Lovell then left the room.

7. To consider the co-option of Simon Lovell to the Council.
Councillors discussed Mr Lovell's application for co-option.
Resolved: It was unanimously agreed to co-opt Mr Lovell to the Council.
Mr Lovell returned to the room and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
8. To receive a report from the Police representative, if present.
No police report had been received.
Councillors expressed their disappointment at not having received a police report or a visit in person from the police. Councillors felt that the police were less visible in the Community than in past years. It was suggested the Council could contact Sue Mountstevens, Police & Crime Commissioner, Avon & Somerset, questioning this and to show our support towards community policing.

The meeting was reconvened.

9. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:
- Letter from Bristol Water concerning the Southern Resilience Scheme – Barrow Gurney to Cheddar. This was noted.
 - Email from Anita Newbatt and Tim Davies requesting permission to erect a 6 x 4 foot shed on plot 32b of the allotments.
Resolved: To grant permission.
10. To receive the Clerk's report.
Broad Street toilets: The Chair reported that the possibility of including installation of an automatic locking system as part of the refurbishment work at the toilets was being explored.
11. To receive the Finance Report and to authorise payments recommended for approval.
Copies of the report circulated separately.

Approval for the following payments was sought:

Youth Outreach Project - (was Avon Youth Bus) - Youth Bus, July-December 2015	£2,000.00
Bin-It – dog bin emptying, 4 January – 3 February	£269.04
Blachere Illuminations – Christmas tree lights	£193.80
Garrrett Bros – Supply and erection of Christmas tree	£144.00
CPRE – annual subscription	£36.00
North Somerset Council – monthly inspection of play areas, January	£28.80
Travis Perkins – hardware for maintenance by the handyman:- open spaces (£50.60), play areas (£7.92), Memorial Hall (£4.00) and phone box (£36.65)	£99.17
Charlie Griffin – Handyman, February	(to be calculated)
Debbie Heal – cleaning of Broad Street toilets, February	(to be calculated)
Parish Orderly's salary – February	£257.83
Clerk's salary – February	(to be calculated)
Assistant Clerk's salary – February	(to be calculated)
Assistant Clerk – topping up of petty cash following purchases made:- padlock for Broad Street toilets (£18.75) and snips & fertilizer for Orderly (£28.20)	£46.95

Resolved: To approve the payments as proposed. Cllr Simpson proposed approval and Cllr Rawlins seconded the motion, all in favour.

12. To receive and consider reports from:
 - a. District Councillor, Cllr Yamanaka
A report was received and noted.
 - b. NE Ward/Redhill, Cllr Fowler
No report had been received.
 - c. Twinning Association, Cllr Rawlins
Cllr Rawlins informed the Council that due to time constraints he was no longer able to represent the Twinning Association. Cllr Simpson agreed to take on the role as the Council's representative.
 - d. Wrington Sports & Social Club, Cllr Glynn/Cllr Woolf
Cllr Glynn provided an update on a recent Sports & Social Club meeting he had attended. He reported that the proposed modification work in the changing rooms had not yet been undertaken, with a possible inspection by the Somerset County FA due in March. He advised that this work could now be deferred as the Wrington & Redhill first team might now relocate to Clevedon for next season due to the poor drainage on the pitch.
13. To receive and consider reports from Working Groups:
 - a. Finance, Cllr Rawlins
The report, circulated previously, was noted.
 - b. Environment, Cllr Bigg
No report had been received.
 - c. Highways, Cllr Ledbury
No report had been received. A Highways meeting is to be arranged shortly.

14. To consider the following recommendation by the Finance Group:

To agree in principle to re-seeding of the Church Walk Play area in the Spring with hardier Rye grass, at a cost of £130.

Resolved: To agree to re-seeding Church Walk Play area.

Cllr Taylor proposed approval of the above recommendation, with Cllr Yamanaka seconding the motion, all were in favour.

15. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council to be held Wednesday 16 March 2016.

Cllr Yamanaka enquired when the Annual Parish meeting would be held.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.00pm

Chairman