



## CLEEVE PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes the Meeting of Cleeve Parish Council held on Tuesday 14 June 2022 at 7.30pm in Cleeve Village Hall

#### 108/22 Present

Chair Cllr Ronnie Morley, Cllrs Hilary Burn (left meeting at 8.00pm), Ben Whistance, George Stringer, Geoff Pritchard, Clerk, Andy Warren and PCSO Julie Berchall

#### 109/22 Apologies

Cllr Marianne Pitman and District Cllr Steve Hogg

#### 110/22 Members of the public

2 members of the public were in attendance and raised the following issues:-

- Member of the public wished to advise members of the Council of the issues they are experiencing following the opening of the Tout's development regarding lights which are causing light pollution issues at their property in Millier Road..
- Member of the public raised the issue of potential future renaming of the bus stop currently known as "Lord Nelson". If this is to be renamed at any point could this be linked to Pound Green or Millier Road rather than the commercial development.

#### 111/22 PCSO Report

PCSO Julie advised that no major issues other than some anti-social behaviour and ongoing parking issues around Millier Road.

She also advised that she is due to be re-located to Bristol Airport with PCSO Kate taking over. Julie is, however, happy to be kept informed of any issues arising.

#### 112/22 Declaration of interests

- (i) Declarations of interest relating to this agenda.

None

- (ii) To consider applications for dispensations.

None

#### 113/22 Agreement of Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 May 2022

- It was resolved that the Minutes of the 10 May 2022 meeting are confirmed as a true and accurate record.
- Proposed by Cllr Stringer seconded by Cllr Whistance. Signed by Cllr Morley.

#### 114/22 Clerk's Report

- Various issues with potholes and footpath maintenance raised with Richard Branchflower at NSC.
- Allotments – we now have 5 confirmations of interest from Cleeve residents (6 are required) and I am aware of one other potentially interested but yet to confirm. If that is received, we will then commence investigations into providing allotments.
- Further damage to the phone box on Pound Green has been reported to BT.

- The question of bus timetables has been raised with District Councillor Steve Hogg. Although there is an up-to-date phone app it is recognised that this does not work for those without smart phones and efforts are being made across North Somerset to address this. He has also advised that North Somerset have £50m to spend on improvements to bus services across the whole area.
- A number of issues regarding the new Tout development have arisen in the weeks leading up to opening and NSC have been advised and acted upon. It is very much hoped that the issue of parking on Pound Green will now cease.

#### 115/22 District Councillors Report

District Councillor Steve Hogg submitted report (See Appendix 1 to these Minutes) on following topics:-

- Bus Services
- Traffic Survey
- Improvements to the A38 Redhill.

#### 116/22 Planning Applications

- **For Discussion**

21/P/0839/FUL 62 Main Road Cleeve Retrospective planning for detached garage in back garden of plot 4.

It was resolved that response is submitted to NSC objecting to the proposal. Prepared response to be submitted by Clerk. Proposed by Cllr Whistance and seconded by Cllr Stringer.

22/P/0709/FUL Land at Cleeve Nursery Retrospective application for demolition of existing business unit and erection of new business premises.

Response to be prepared by Cllr Pritchard for approval and submission.

- **Under Enforcement**

None

#### 117/22 Finance Schedule

**a) Payments made**

11/05/2022	BACS	K & E Property Maintenance (Dog Bins)	£150.00
11/05/2022	BACS	Andy Warren – Expenses	£71.91
17/05/2022	BACS	C R Monkman (Grass Cutting)	£330.00
18/05/2022	BACS	Zurich Insurance	£300.00
31/05/2022	BACS	Andy Warren – Expenses	£85.84
01/06/2022	BACS	Andy Warren – Salary	£420.99
01/06/2022	BACS	HMRC - Andy Warren Tax	£105.20
01/06/2022	BACS	Caroline Crane – Salary	£82.32
01/06/2022	BACS	HMRC – Caroline Crane	£20.60
08/06/2022	BACS	C R Monkman (Grass Cutting)	£380.00
08/06/2022	BACS	K & E Maintenance (Dog Bins)	£120.00

**b) Payments received**

09/05/2022	BACS	Interest	£0.28
18/05/2022	BACS	VAT Refund	£320.95
09/06/2022	BACS	Interest	£0.19

With effect from 10 June 2022 the Parish Council Bank accounts were transferred to Unity Trust Bank. Entries up to that point authorised with Lloyds Bank. In future all transactions will be authorised via Unity Trust Bank.

It was resolved to confirm the finance schedule. Proposed by Cllr Stringer and seconded by Cllr Whistance.

#### **118/22 Insurance Renewal**

Annual renewal of Insurance was reviewed and, with current insurers seeking an increase more than £100 taking premium to £546, alternatives were explored.

The market for council cover is reducing and options limited, however, an alternative quote was obtained via Zurich at £300 for the next year. In view of expiry dates this had been confirmed by councillors between meetings.

It was resolved to ratify this decision proposed by Cllr Stringer and seconded by Cllr Whistance.

#### **119/22 Action Plan**

Annual review of the Action Plan was completed with amendments to be made by Clerk and presented to the July meeting for approval.

#### **120/22 Goblin Combe Parking Working Party update**

The map for the notice board was circulated and it was suggested that it would be sensible to make some amendments to the wording at the top of the map but also:-

- To use the legend "You are here" rather than specify the car park as such.
- To add the public footpaths to the map for reference purposes.

Working group to review and submit to the company for amendment ahead of final approval.

The question of bike racks also to be pursued via a grant request to Bristol Airport Community Fund.

#### **121/22 Bristol Airport Appeal Update**

Cllr Burn reported that the challenges to the Inquiry decision have been accepted and a date and venue for the Judicial Review is awaited.

#### **122/22 Strategy for Traffic in Cleeve**

Our "Traffic Management Questionnaire" was circulated following input from NSC and the following action points agreed:-

- Cllr Whistance will arrange for the questionnaire to be formalised and set up via an online portal.
- Printed copies will be made available and the survey will be published via our website, Facebook, All About Cleeve (although there is no August issue and July deadline passed) and the notice boards.
- A "Surgery" will be held on Friday September 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Village Hall between 10.00 a.m. and 12 p.m. This will be led by District Cllr Steve Hogg.

#### **123/22 Grit Bin for Village Hall**

A request has been received from the Village Hall committee for consideration to placing a grit bin in their car park. Clerk has discussed with NSC who advise that these are only located on the highway and, with other bins on Cleeve Hill Road anyway, this would not be a request they would support. Cllr Stringer, as our representative on the Village Hall committee, advised.

#### **For Information Only**

#### **124/22 Risk Assessments**

- **Bus Stop Bishops Road**  
The bus stop in Bishops Road has vegetation requiring pruning. Clerk to investigate.
- **Village Hall Defibrillator**  
Cllr Whistance reported that a new spare battery is required for the defibrillator. Clerk to arrange.

#### **125/22 Report on Meetings and activities attended**

On 9 June Cllr Pritchard (plus a Wrington councillor) attended meeting with Andy Jones of Avon Wildlife Trust at Goblin Combe.

**126/22 Any matters to go on next agenda**

Goblin Combe Working Party and Traffic Strategy.

**127/22 Invitations to external meetings**

None

**128/22 Future Meetings**

Next meeting to be 19 July 2022.

Meeting closed at 22.00pm.

Signed .....*Andy Warren*..... Dated .....20 June 2022.....

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**Appendix 1**

**Steve Hogg: District Councillor Report June 2022**

**Bus Services**

I am delighted to have been appointed as Executive Member for Highways & Transport at North Somerset Council. I am responsible for an exciting portfolio which includes public transport (bus and rail), highways operations, active travel, electric vehicle strategy and transport decarbonisation. I am especially excited to be bidding for a significant amount of government funding, aimed at transforming the Public Transport network across the region. This week I met with the Minister for Buses Baroness Vere where she set out the funding criteria for the national Bus Service Improvement Plan. For North Somerset Council, we are potentially looking at a disproportionately high award of some £48m of capital funding to be spent on (amongst other things) 'bus prioritisation' initiatives such as bus gates, road space reallocation, interchange upgrades, rural connectivity etc. This isn't surprising when you consider that 43% of NSC carbon emissions comes from transport, much higher than our Bristol, BANES or South Glos neighbours. We have more work than others to do here. We also expect a significant share (several £m) of a regional (WECA) revenue pot which will be used to provide eye catching services, simplified ticketing, concessionary fares (eg free for 11-18) etc. It is easily the biggest investment in public transport for many years and will help us work towards our transport decarbonisation and active travel targets as well as breathing life back into our more remote and socially deprived communities who are unable to access services very easily. I will obviously share much more as things develop and may have some indicative interventions to reveal in time for our July meeting.

**Traffic Survey**

I will be really interested to see the results of the council's traffic survey later in the summer. Especially as I am now the Exec Member for highways and transport! I am very keen as you know on community engagement, and so for me the value of the survey is in pulling out what the problems requiring a solution might be, rather than simply a wish list of 'solutions'. One thing that I have asked for as part of BSIP is a full review of speeds along the A370, from WSM to Bristol. I have highlighted my concern that effectively 'throwing' traffic at 50mph into Backwell is pointless from a congestion point of view, let alone safety. So, it will be especially interesting to me to see how people comment about the main road. I am also working with officers on a more professional 'front door' for requests for interventions. I think historically the council has been trying to look in too many directions at once, and so we need a bit of control so that we can properly assess and intervene based on qualified priorities rather than trying to react to everything.

**Improvements to the A38 Redhill**

Not in Cleeve, but there will obviously be implications whilst work is undertaken.

The A38 at Redhill is programmed for surface dressing work next month. This work is usually done during the summer because bitumen and loose chippings bond to the road surface more effectively in warmer weather. The aim is to provide added protection to the carriageway surface as well as enhancing the skid resistance, making it safer to drive on. This added protection extends the life of the carriageway surface by up to 10 years. The works on the A38 will require three separate closures as the scheme will be carried out in stages. Phase one will see the road closed on **Saturday 2 July between 6am and 2pm** to complete the surface dressing work. Phase two will require a **daytime closure on Saturday 9 July to seal the carriageway between 6am and 4pm**. The final stage will be a night closure for **five nights between 8pm and 6am from Sunday 10 July** to allow for the installation of new road markings.

Of course, the weather might delay the work, but I am just giving you advanced warning. I have signed off NSC comms this week so details will be in local press etc.

**Clr Steve Hogg**