MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7:30pm ON MONDAY 10th JULY 2017 AT
BANWELL VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Weston (Chairman), Paul Blatchford, Steve
Davies, Angela Haden, Paul Harding, Phil Hale and Dawn Parry.
IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Liz Shayler (Clerk).
WARD COUNCILLOR: None present
AVON & SOMERSET POLICE: None present
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 3

The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

186/17 To receive apologies for absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Councillors Jo Arnold, Paul Bateman, Mike Poole and District Cllr Ann Harley.

187/17 To receive members’ declarations of interest on any agenda item. (agenda item 2)

None received

188/16 To consider the co-option of Margaret McCarthy (Agenda item 3)

Resolved – to co-opt Margaret McCarthy to the Parish Council

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (Unanimous)

Cllr McCarthy read the declaration of office, signed the declaration, and joined the Council.

189/17 To invite public participation (agenda item 4)

i) Members of the public.

Nothing was brought to the council’s attention.

ii) Community Beat Manager’s report.

The following report was received for the period 10/07/17 to 14/08/2017

Calls from the Parish 43, Crimes recorded 5

Recorded crimes: 1 assault, 2 burglaries non-dwelling, 2 harassments.

- Reports of drug dealing to local children will mean that extra patrols are planned for the play area. Anyone with information is encouraged to report on 101 or crime stoppers on 0800555111.
- A reminder that during the summer months it is important to ensure doors and windows are closed when enjoying the sunshine in the garden.
- If anybody sees anything suspicious or behaving in an antisocial manner then could they contact the police on either 101 or 999.

iii) Ward Councillor’s report.

No Ward Councillor was present and no report has been received.

190/17 To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th July 2017 (agenda item 5)
Resolved – That the minutes be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (5 in favour 3 abstentions due to absences).

The minutes of the meeting were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

191/17 To note the Cemetery and Memorials Committee meeting minutes from the 25th July 2017 (agenda item 6)

The minutes were noted.

192/17 To agree the repair of the memorial stones in Banwell Cemetery using cemetery reserves (agenda item 7);

Resolved – If the next of kin cannot be contacted for the stones which are presently laid on the ground then the council will sink the headstones horizontally in line with the ground.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

The clerk was asked to find as many as of the next of kin as possible to request remedial work is carried out. The cemetery and memorials committee to review how many stones will need to be laid down at their next meeting on September 26th.

Resolved: to use the cemetery reserves to fund any repair work.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

193/17 To receive the Clerk’s report/Exchange of information: (agenda item 8)

(i) 31st July meeting with North Somerset. The Clerk was asked to write to North Somerset thanking them for the opportunity to discuss the core strategy and potential housing development. It was suggested that due to questions being answered throughout the meeting that it meant that not all subject matter was covered. Due to the way in which an neighbouring parish’s councillor dominated the meeting it was suggested that perhaps Banwell could meet separately with North Somerset again to discuss this plan. The Chairman informed council that John Penrose had contacted him since the meeting and wanted to be involved in any discussions / further meetings involving discussions of any future plans for Banwell.

(ii) Replacement reflective strips for the chicanes along Riverside – this has been chased since March and now the Highways Officer is going to organise replacement strips.

(iii) Lights around the village – No faults reported

(iv) Banwell British Legion - A thank you letter had been received from the British Legion for the Armistice Day celebration grant.

(v) Recreation Ground Tree – the chairman has spoken to an alternate contractor who proposes to crown the tree. It was suggested that if we have high winds then more of the tree could fall off and so the tree will be pruned immediately.

194/17 To approve the following items of expenditure (agenda item 9);

(i) £265 to provide power to the streetlight C2 along Moor Road.
This item will be deferred until next month to allow the Clerk to get something in writing from WPD and SSE explaining why the light was cut off along Moor Road.

(ii) **£38 for a swing seat on Riverside Green**

Resolved: to not pay £38 for a swing seat on Riverside Green but the Chairman to glue the plastic instead.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (4 in favour 4 against the chairman used his casting vote in favour of this proposal).

195/17 To consider the replacement of the hanging loop moulded ring for the teenzone (agenda item 10).

Resolved: to purchase one hanging loop moulded ring to replace the one which is currently split.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

196/17 To consider a grant request for £350 for Vision, North Somerset (agenda item 11)

The Clerk was asked to defer this item to next month to allow opportunity for Vision to explain the benefits to the parishioners currently and in the future.

197/17 To consider the erection of a dog bin along Moor Road (agenda item 12)

Resolved: to not agree to the erection of a dog bin along Moor Road due to the expense to the Parish and that it would require a highways survey undertaken by North Somerset.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

198/17 To consider the purchase of 30mph zone wheelie bin stickers from the highways budget (agenda item 13)

Resolved: To agree to the purchase of 30mph zone wheelie bin stickers from the highways budget.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

Resolved: To agree to the purchase of 250 x 30mph zone wheelie bin stickers to allow 2 per property for the green and black bin.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

199/17 To review the road markings at the Hill Path / High Street Junction (agenda item 14)

The Chairman informed the council that the present issue with the parking had been caused by residents moving out and new residents moving in. It was felt by council that yellow lines in this area were not appropriate.

Resolved: To keep the road markings as they presently are and ensure they are repainted after the drainage work is completed along High Street.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

200/17 To note the training available and agree any attendance (agenda item 15)
(i) Being a Good Councillor 23rd September 2017. 9:45 am until 12:45. Longwell Green Community Centre £60.

No one to attend this training session

(ii) A plain guide on planning for local councillors 30th September 2017 10:30am until 13:00. Emerson's Green Village Hall £50.

Resolved: That Cllr Parry attends this session

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

(iii) Finance on 20th October 2017 10:30am

Resolved: That the Clerk attends this session

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous).

(iv) ALCA AGM 7th October 2017. Bradley Stoke.

Cllr Haden and Cllr Hale to attend this meeting.

201/17 To agree the venue and date of the annual defibrillator training in September (agenda item 16).

Resolved – To agree the annual defibrillator training for the 23rd September 2017 at 2pm

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

202/17 To consider whether Banwell Parish Council should continue to support the Great British Spring Clean by organising another community tidy up the weekend of 3/4th March 2018 (agenda item 17)

Resolved – To continue to support the Great British Spring Clean by organising another community tidy up on the 3rd March 2018.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

203/17 To consider whether Banwell Parish Council should continue to support the Big Lunch by organising another community Picnic the weekend of 3rd June 2018 (agenda item 18)

Resolved – To continue to support the Big Lunch by organising another community Picnic on Saturday the 2nd June 2018

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

204/17 To consider whether the Parish Council should support ‘The Battle’s over, A Nations tribute’ on the 11 November 2018 by lighting a beacon (agenda item 19)

Resolved – To support ‘The Battle’s over, A Nations tribute’ on the 11 November 2018. A working party consisting of Cllr Hale, Harding, McCarthy and Weston to make suggestions and bring them to council at a future meeting.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

205/17 To discuss the replacement of the stile and wooden fence either side around Riverside Green play area (agenda item 20).
Resolved – To agree to the replacement of the stile and wooden fence either side around Riverside Green play area. The Chairman to meet the contractor on site and then to email the councillors.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

206/17 To discuss parking on the edge of Riverside Green (agenda item 21).

The Chairman informed the council that as North Somerset had now been found to be responsible for the verges around Riverside Green that any complaints concerning parking on these verges should be redirected to North Somerset.

207/17 To discuss a traffic regulation order concerning the length of a vehicle / coach restriction along Riverside (agenda item 22).

The Council were informed that the weight restrictions along Church Street did not include coaches. North Somerset has agreed to consider either a separate coach restriction or a length restriction.

Resolved – The Parish Council would like Church Street to be considered as part of the traffic regulation order for a length restriction.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

208/17 To discuss the offer from North Somerset of £150 for the 2nd strim of Golling Lane (agenda item 23).

Resolved – To agree to the offer from North Somerset of £150 for the 2nd strim of Golling Lane

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

209/17 To discuss the annual maintenance of the footpaths; High Street to Queens Road and Queens Road to Littlefield’s (agenda item 24).

The Council were surprised to learn that these paths were the responsibility of Banwell Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to research this through land registry and North Somerset.

210/17 To discuss whether the Parish Council should become a charter branch helping to develop and promote the new Tree Charter (agenda item 25).

The council felt it was not appropriate at this time.

211/17 To authorise bills for payment (agenda item 26)

Resolved: To authorise bills for payment. Cllrs Harding and Weston will sign the cheques.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (Unanimous)

212/17 To note the Parish Council’s current net position and bank balances (agenda item 27)

The net position and bank balances were noted.

213/17 To note and comment upon planning applications (agenda item 28).

(i) 17/P/1541/F – Towerbrook Farm, Catworthy Lane, Banwell, BS29 6PQ. Erection of an agricultural building to house livestock

Resolved – No objections but the Parish Council wanted to draw North Somerset’s attention to 16/P/2873/F which changed a redundant barn into residential accommodation on this site.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (7 in favour with 1 abstention)

(ii) 17/P/1567/F - Land South of Churchland Way, Wolvishill Road, Banwell, Weston-super-Mare. The erection of a substation serving properties newly built under planning permission 12/P/1266/OT2.

The application was noted

(iii) 17/P/1761/WT Abbey Lodge, East Street, Banwell, BS29 6BW T1 cherry - fell

The application was noted

(iv) 17/P/1762/WT 31 West Street, Banwell, BS29 6DB Robinia - crown reduce by 2m

The application was noted

214/17  To note planning decisions – (agenda item 29).

(i) 16/P/0793/LUP - Shangrila Cottage Nye Road Puxton, Weston-super-Mare BS24 6T. Lawful Development Certificate for a proposed development for the stationing of a mobile home (max size: 18m by 6m) for use as an annexe to the main dwelling. CERTIFICATION REFUSED

(ii) 17/P/1266/F - Ground Floor, 1 Church Street and 6 West Street, Banwell, BS29 6EA - Change of use of ground floor from retail to residential. GRANTED

(iii) 17/P/1286/NMA - Land South of Somerset Avenue, Weston-super-Mare. NMA for application 16/P/0330/F2 (Construction of a 2.2km single carriageway road from A370 Somerset Avenue to A371 Locking Moor Road (called the 'North South Spine Road') including 3no. bridges, 2no. culverts and associated infrastructure and landscaping within Parklands Village, Weston-super-Mare) to amend the wording of conditions 3 - 7, 10, 12 -19 to allow a phased construction approach. NO OBJECTION

(iv) 17/P/1414/EIA1 - Land to the West of M5, Weston-super-Mare. Screening opinion as to whether an Environmental Impact Assessment is required for an outline planning application for the erection of 120 residential dwellings and associated ancillary works – E.I.A. REQUIRED.

(v) 17/P/1529/PDA - Banwell Wood, Towerhead Road, Banwell. Prior Notification for upgraded track to facilitate the extraction of timber produced during a thinning operation carried out under a forestry commission felling license, the track will be surfaced with stone to prevent rutting and damage to the ground. Prior Approval is required and is hereby REFUSED

215/17  Dates of the next meetings – (agenda item 30)

11th September 2017 – Parish Council meeting 7:30pm Banwell Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:10 ......................................................Chairman

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