# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30pm 9th OCTOBER 2013 IN TEMPLE CLOUD VILLAGE HALL

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#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

The meeting was told that notices advertising the next stage in forming a Residents Association had gone up around the Parish. A resident reported that there was a cracked slab on the pavement by the disabled bay outside the surgery. The Clerk would report this ti Highways. A resident suggested that the solution to the problem of the junction of Temple Inn lane with the A37 would be to build road behind the pub and bring it out on the A37 north of the junction where visibility would be 180 degrees.

The business meeting opened at 7.40pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Ms Atkinson (Chair), Mr Dando, Mr Hooper (vice chair), Mrs Harvey, Mr Hemmings, Mrs Parfitt, Mr Welsford and the Clerk, Mr Scutt.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Mr Gough & Mr Hutchinson,

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** Cllr Dando declared an interest in Planning application 13/03125/FUL.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: were approved and signed.

#### 4. UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had circulated an e mail from Beat Manager PC Stuart Peard in response to repeated requests from Cameley Parish Council for Community Speed Gun training to start. He stated that we're at the point of waiting for training to begin and that the Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator would be in contact. He was of the opinion that in the not too distant future Beat Managers will be trained to set up Community Speed Watches which will be more beneficial for all involved. For the moment training will be carried out by Officers from the Traffic Department who have other Operational requirements across the Force area. He also stated the Camera Enforcement Unit who had carried out checks on the A37 between Clutton & Temple Cloud reported that they hadn't detected many vehicles exceeding the speed limit. It was agreed that the Clerk would write thanking him and asking for the process to be speeded up since the initial request from the Parish had been in March 2013.

The Clerk had circulated an e mail from Maria Musins who was helping to set up the Residents Association in which she had asked questions about the Constitution, for a copy of the Parish's objection letter to the proposed development and whether it would be possible for a member of the Residents Association to be co-opted onto the Parish Council. In response the Chair explained that:- a) the Parish Council was a statutory body set up by various Acts of Parliament and therefore did not have a constitution; b) the objection letter was on B&NES Planning Website and c) it would not be possible to coopt a member of the soon to be formed Residents Association because the Councillors were elected as individuals to represent the entire village. There were no provisions for special interest sections to be co-opted.

The Clerk had circulated a letter from the Clutton with Cameley Parochial Church Council requesting a grant towards the cost of the upkeep of Cameley Churchyard. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the PCC asking them to confirm how much they were requesting.

## 5. VILLAGE HALL/PLAYING FIELD

The meeting was told that the swings were up and fully functional. In terms of the Village Hall kitchen – the tiling was almost finished and once done, the work was completed and that too was fully functional. It was confirmed that the W.I. were to use the Village Hall for their future meetings.

## 6. FINANCE:

unanimously.

It was proposed and agreed to pay the following:-

Payments		£	Vat
(1)	Clerks wages	269.53	
(2)	Sweeper wages	451.56	
(3)	Garage rent	36.17	7.23
(4)	Sutcliffe – swings	532.54	106.51
(5)	External Audit	200.00	40.00
(6)	RTI Accounts J/A/S	30.00	6.00
(7)	HMRC TAX J/A/S	202.20	
(8)	Chairman expenses	65.21	
B) Payments received			
(1)	Parish Sweeper	292.17	
(2)	Precept (50%)	10,290.00	

The Clerk requested that he be authorised to purchase the latest copy of Local Council Administration by Charles Arnold Baker. This was agreed

## 7. HIGHWAYS FOOTPATHS AND ROADSWEEPING

The meeting was told that Highways were reviewing the parking restrictions (Zig-Zags) outside Cameley School because it would appear they had been installed without due consultation. In essence there would be no change to the restrictions once done. The meeting agreed to write to the Highways Officer, Stefan Chiffers requesting that Highways consider extending the Zone beyond its current range.

# 8. TO HEAR A REPORT ON THE PLACEMAKING PLAN

Councillor Atkinson reported on the workshop on the Placemaking Plan that she had recently attended. The meeting was opened by a presentation by a senior planner who will forward everything he presented by e mail which will then be circulated to each Parish Councillor.

She told the meeting that the Inspector had still not agreed the Housing Needs Assessment and therefore not agreed numbers. The emerging Core Strategy is on B&NES website and at the moment shows about 50 houses on Greenfield sites in RA1 classified villages however this excludes building on "brownfield sites" which are seen as "windfall sites" and it would appear that B&NES are expecting 25% of the rural housing needs to be met from such sites. Until the Core Strategy is agreed the NPPF will take precedence.

The workshop then considered village maps and then the SHLAWR maps within the village. It was made clear that the Planners want each of these sites to be assessed on nationally agreed criteria and a Character Assessment checklist would be circulated to Parish Councils. B&NES Planners want each area identified as a potential Greenfield Development site to be assessed by 4/6 residents and their report would then be independently verified and these reports would be required by 21<sup>st</sup> December. It was made clear that no more than one person per group assessing each site should live in an adjoining property. The idea is that an agreed Placemaking Plan would be accepted by the Examining Inspector as part of the Core Strategy. It was hoped residents would volunteer to help do the assessments, and Cllr Atkinson suggested this was a project that the Resident's Association (when formed) may like to get involved in. There was some debate as to whether the Parish Council would want to be involved if it meant finding additional sites for housing development. Since no information would be available from B&NES until 25<sup>th</sup> October this was as far as the Parish Council could go at this meeting. The Clerk will circulate the Planning Toolkits supplied in hard copy to all Parish Councillors.

## 9. TO CONSIDER PROPOSED REVISION OF FLIGHT PATHS

The Clerk had circulated an e mail from Timsbury Parish Council on the above. The meeting was told that many parishes in the area have been concerned over more than a decade about the increasing nuisance to the local community from aircraft noise during the day and especially at night and the airport has aspirations for further significant expansion. The airport has published a consultation document on which any comments should be made before 31<sup>st</sup> October 2013. New navigation technology is being introduced which allows Aircraft in fly a corridor of two nautical miles wide instead of the current 10 miles which has implications for the Parish of Cameley in that all the craft will be compressed into a smaller area with the consequence of more noise. There is a small plus in that the proposed RNAV paths aircraft descent is supposed to be steeper than at present, meaning that for the earlier parts of the flight path aeroplanes should be higher than at present, which should mean less intense noise at ground level. The Parish Council expressed its concern over the potential increase in noise levels and agreed to join the organisation that Timsbury Parish Council already belongs to. This is a consulting group associated with any matters to do with the airport. It was

agreed that the Clerk would contact Timsbury immediately to ascertain the next step. It was agreed to pay the joining fee of £50.

# 10. NEW GOOD COUNCILLORS GUIDE

The Clerk had received two copies of the latest Good Councillors Guide and he had circulated these for Councillors to read. It was agreed that he would source a copy for each Councillor to keep.

#### 11. PLANNING

The meeting was told that application 13/03677/FUL at 4 Paulmont Rise had already taken place – the problem was that a void mine shaft had been discovered in the garden of No. 4 and in order to make it safe the Coal Board had gone ahead. The Parish Council were told that the garage had been rebuilt and that all was in order. There were no objections.

Councillor Dando left the meeting before application 13/03125/FUL was discussed. This proposal is to erect an extension over a single storey building at Cholwell Lodge on the Main Road in Temple Cloud. After a discussion it was agreed that the Council would support this application.

#### **12. INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

Councillor Hooper asked if any paperwork for Councillors could be with them 7 days before a Parish Council meeting. The Clerk was happy to do what he could in this matter bearing in mind that he did circulate most documents by e mail as well.

Councillor Hemmings reported a traffic issue on the A37 when he witnessed dangerous driving at the pedestrian crossing by a commercial vehicle with the driver using a mobile. Clerk noted on the register.

**13. NEXT MEETING** will be 13<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm