



## FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

C Watkins (in the Chair)

P Bruce	(P)	P Sykes	(P)
P Kembery	(P)	D Marriott	(P)
N Beebee	(P)	L Fogg Rogers	(P)
C Watkins	(P)	N Labuschagne	(A)

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151.04/24 - Evacuation procedure

Leave via the fire door and assemble outside in the play area – Noted

152.04/24 - Apologies for absence

Cllr Labuschagne

153.04/24 - Declaration of Interest Under the Localism Act 2011:

None

154.04/24 – Public Participation

None

155.04/24 – To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 2024

**Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

156.04/24 – The Clerk’s Report

All items on the Clerk’s report were noted:

- The Frenchay Museum car park barriers will be delivered 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024.
- Highways Dept. response to the reopening of the Hambrook lights from the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 below:

***Residents requested the reopening of the traffic lights at Hambrook on the A4174.***

The Ministerial direction currently does not permit us to remove the restrictions.

***The extra time spent in traffic having to travel under the M32 bridge and back towards Winterbourne caused extra pollution and fuel consumption.***

The Ministerial direction relates to relevant exposure specific to this section of the ring road i.e. Between Bromley Heath Road roundabout and M32 Junction 1 roundabout. Traffic management measures aim to balance the high east west demand with that of other movements. NO<sub>2</sub> monitoring continues, and the data will be used by the DfT and DEFRA Joint Air Quality Unit to assess success in reducing roadside NO<sub>2</sub> levels.

***Extra delays sitting in congestion due to the bridge closure on Badminton Road, causing more pollution. The bus lane suspension should also continue as this helps traffic flow.***

The bus lane suspension will continue for the foreseeable future.

*There have been more electric and hybrid vehicles since 2020 so pollution should fall?!*

Whilst that may be perceived to be the case we are not in a position to say a cleaner fleet would have made a significant difference yet. There has been increased traffic growth from the new development in South Glos that make this correlation more complex.

*South Gloucestershire council stated in November 2023 that they had fallen. What are the NOx pollution data figures for the last 12 months?*

This data is not available at this time, as we await verification from the DEFRA Joint Air Quality Unit of our latest submission.

**Action:** To discuss the response at the next Full Council Meeting and to ask when the NOx pollution data figures will be available.

- Face charity sent an email on the 18th April with the plans as below:

In the recent meeting, we had agreed to deliver a 3 month youth consultation across Winterbourne, accessing schools, organisations and events to get a sense of what young people are currently accessing and what they would like in the future. As part of this we will deliver weekly sessions for a 3 month period, at the rec with youth workers and the new mobile youth vehicle, to promote youth work in the area and start to build relationships with young people, which will inform future provision. We aimed to start the consultation in May and look to begin the sessions early June, when the vehicle is ready to use (currently still in the garage being fitted out) – this resource will be brand new – and we will get some images over to you when we have them, so you can see it.

I'm aware the original costings that were sent over included all the provision across Frome Valley, inc current provision funded by FPC, so I will get a detailed run down of the costs over to you as soon as possible and will come make sure it will come within budget.

Face charity are happy to come and meet again to give more details if necessary, but if the Council is happy with the arrangements they will begin to get the work started.

- Winterbourne Academy have agreed to give us a fob key to the side gate (not the new gate) so the Pavilion can collect cricket balls – this will be set to 'out of hours' – to confirm the out of hours times needed.
- Flaxpits Lane car park letter has been sent and awaiting their response.
- The decorating has started in the building after the rewiring of the electrics.
- Kim survived the two weeks of flying solo!!! (thanks to everyone that helped!)

157.04/24 – To agree the following grant requests:

Winterbourne Sports Association: £3149.02

**RESOLVED**, all members agreed to approve this grant to go to Full Council on the condition the Parish Council representative for Winterbourne Sports Association checks the details of the claim. Cllrs Sykes will also check submitted invoices.

Hambrook Sports Club: £5587.06

**RESOLVED**, all members agreed to approve this grant to go to Full Council on the

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condition the Parish Council representative for Hambrook Sports Clu checks the details of the claim. Cllrs Sykes will also check submitted invoices.

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The Brightwell: £500

**RESOLVED**, all members agreed more information was required on what the grant would be used for. **Action:** Clerk to contact The Brightwell.

Clerk

Cllr Fogg Rogers requested the grant policy be publicised. **Action:** Clerk to promote.

Clerk

158.04/24 – To consider a request for financial assistance from Stoke Gifford Parish Council regarding the new Brooklands Community Hall.

**Resolved**, All members were in agreement that there were insufficient funds to be able to offer assistance to Stoke Gifford Parish Council. In addition, the running of the Community Hall has been discussed at previous meetings with all members rejecting the idea. **Action:** Clerk to notify Stoke Gifford Parish Council.

159.04/24 – To agree to purchase a new lock and keys for the allotments.

Cllr Watkins advised a combination lock is used at the Frenchay allotments which works very well.

**Resolved**, to investigate a combination lock rather than purchase a new lock and keys.

Clerk

160.04/24 – To agree the commission of a Parish Council Map.

**Resolved**, all in agreement to commission a Parish Council Map. Clerk to request the map is in a format the Parish Council can update in future. **Action:** Clerk to collate points of interest to go on the map.

Clerk

161.04/24 - To consider the response from the applicant who requested a catering van on Whiteshill Common.

**RESOLVED**, to not allow the catering van on Hambrook Common. Concerns were raised regarding car parking at peak school times, no toilet facilities and a conflict with Hambrook Sports Club. In addition, any agreement would be for a trial period and, it is felt, unfair for someone to make a big investment and then to not possibly renew after the trial period. Councillors suggested the applicant speak with Hambrook Sports Club and could possibly trade from there.

**Action:** Clerk to contact applicant.

Clerk

162.04/24 – Reports from members

Frenchay

An update was given on the trees at Westbourne Terrace. Following a meeting with Simon Penfold, South Gloucestershire Council Tree Officer, we were advised we are unable to reduce the height or remove these trees. It was agreed we could remove the growth at the base and the trunk.

Winterbourne to include the Recreation Field, Duck Pond and Allotments

An update was given on the refurbishment of the Pavilion. A meeting is to be held 24<sup>th</sup> April to go through the stage 1 proposal.

Noted that the many residents have commented on how lovely the duck pond looks.

Noted residents frustration regarding the loss of Royal Mail post.

The Dingle, Winterbourne Down and Hambrook

A litter pick has taken place, and it was requested to put a thank you on social

media.

**Clerk**

Reports of a silt build up on Down Road, in the gutter just before Damsons Bridge.

**Clerk**

**Action:** Clerk to report to Streetcare.

Reports of vegetation protruding onto the path on Worrell Lane. **Action:** Clerk to report to Streetcare.

**Clerk**

The Greenfield Centre

No response has been received from South Gloucestershire Council regarding the damp in the Greenfield Club and Big Bears. **Action:** Clerk to chase.

**Clerk**

The fire doors in the Greenfield Club are not to be closed up permanently. A fence will be erected, and barriers have been put up in the interim.

150.03/24 – To note any other items

CLlr Bruce advised the library has extra funding and will now only lose 2 hours of opening time.

Meeting concluded 8.58pm