

MONKTON COMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on **7th July 2008** at 8.20 pm.

Present: Chairman: Kevin Murphy
Councillors: Ray Franks, Alison Bossom, Lyn Alvis
Clerk: Rachel Willcox

1. **Apologies:** Simon Ling.
2. **Minutes:** Approving and signing minutes of parish meeting held on 19th May 2008
3. **Matters Arising:** From minutes of above meeting

- HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

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| SL | a. | Mill Leat – new engineering techniques could help solve the problem more easily and cheaply. Possibility ‘island’ has been given to village. SL to investigate by contacting Land Registry. |
| LA | b. | Drungs – Innox and the Drung with no name to be repaired by BANES on job list 08/09. Chase B&NES for action. LA will ask GD to speak to Peter Moore to fix wall. School also to approach BANES (junior school access) to express concern at footpath safety.
Stu Ballard does not think Perry Hill needs repair. MCPC to request risk assessment in writing to ensure we have discharged our duty. |
| AB | c. | Rondels - Painted signs on road have been set out. AB to chase Mr Tassos. |
| LA/AB | d. | Lock-up sign – AB to check accuracy of date and background information. LA to ask Crokers to repaint once details confirmed or a new information sign may be appropriate. |
| KLM./AB | e. | Speeding – due to lukewarm reception at Annual meeting Parish Council to seek further opinion from parishioners via article in parish magazine before pursuing Police any further. KLM to email AB draft before 16 th July. |
| AB | f. | Brassknocker Hill –Trollopes stuff gone, poles by layby on Brassknocker still there. No entry on road to be burnt off. AB to chase Andy Higgins / Nick Jeanes re removal of signage, poles and barriers remaining. |
| LA | g. | Drainage – LA to speak to Mr Tassos re site visit for turning on Brassknocker. Rumble strips suggested. Will discuss village drainage too. |

- SCHOOL
- CORRESPONDANCE
- PLANNING

08/01221/FUL - Reynella Shaft Road Monkton Combe Bath BA2 7HH

Erection of a single storey extension to the south elevation – no objections, forms returned

- CLUSTER / LIAISON MEETINGS

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Chairman

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- ANY OTHER BUSINESS from previous meetings:

- RF/SL a. Rubbish There seems to be less rubbish left by bin, RF to discuss with SL.
- b. Risk Assessment to be finally reviewed for Mazars audit on 31st July - not needed for 08/09 audit. Suggestion of separate meeting for Councillors to discuss in detail. Date to be arranged.
- c. Weir Fundraising – Simon suggesting a village initiative to raise money. On hold – possibility of funding via Neil Butters.
- d. Code of Conduct - awaiting request from Vernon Hitchin’s office to advertise acceptance of new Code of Conduct
- KLM e. Combe Grove Licence. Noise situation to be monitored
- RF f. Summer Lane Gate – RF has written to landowner who has responded. Monitor.
- KLM g. Playground Fencing – suggestion minuted from Village Hall AGM and raised in risk assessment. Gate needed for gap in hedge. KLM to speak to Parks Dept at BANES regarding securing perimeter and possible funding.
- RW h. Grit Bins – RW has chased George Bottin who is on holiday. A colleague said he would send someone out immediately. Follow up. KLM to email photos of grit bins to Mr Bottin.
- KLM i. Bat Sump – KLM / LA attended meeting with B&NES and Stone Mines Team. Reduced scale of works means less heavy vehicles required. Frayling to be contacted regarding type and height of fence. Contact Mary Stacey for details.
- KLM j. Village Traffic Calming – CLLR Butters suggested contacting Ben Hamilton Bailey who had given some advice to Wellow and Freshford PCs. KLM to follow up.

4. Planning:

- 08/01899** 2 Storey Extension, 6 South View, Church Lane. Support box ticked, forms returned to BANES. Note written: “Neighbours and adjacent landowners have no problem with the application. BANES Council decides Green Belt Issue?”

5. Highways and Footpaths:

- RF a. No 1 South View – foliage has overgrown footpath at bottom of drung. Somer Housing House. RF to speak to tenants.
- RW b. Limpley Stoke footpath – footpath to be cleared again due to vigorous growth. – RW to chase
- LA c. Barbed wire fencing on Summer Lane. LA to contact Steve Gees
- AB d. Mirror on Mill Lane – wooden frame supporting mirror has collapsed. Request for school to repair. AB to contact Jon Snow.
- KLM e. Footpath alongside Mount Pleasant Quarry – substation needs to be made safer. KLM to request gate and fencing.
- KLM f. Litter on Mount pleasant Quarry footpath – Jon snow promised litter pick. Hasn’t happened yet. KLM to chase.

6. Correspondence: emails to be included from now on

- LA BT phone box proposed closure: LA spoke to John Theobald (BANES), our response email has been accepted as an official objection. LA to object to BT by 16/07/08.
Reasons for objection:

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- Reception for mobile phones poor in valley
- Lots of ramblers passing through village may have need of phone box.
- It is our only village phone box.

7. Cluster/Liaison Meetings:

- ALCA – issues of interest – possible funding for updates to village playgrounds, new audit procedures regarding clerks records kept at home.
- Parishes Liaison Meeting – Village boundaries may be crossed if affordable housing needs to be built
- Village Hall Meeting – Village BBQ booked for 30th August

8. Bills & Accounts:

Payments

01/05/2007	697 b	Ian Croker	Village Cleaning	£241.31
01/05/2008	697 c	BANES	Car Park Rates	£20.00
30/04/2008	699	Jeff Avis	Gardening	£94.00
01/05/2008	699 b	BANES	Car Park Rates	£20.00
01/05/2008	699 a	Ian Croker	Village Cleaning	£241.31
19/05/2008	698	Crokers	Paint and Strimmer service	£25.00
19/05/2008	702	Lyn Alvis	Expenses	£12.65
19/05/2008	701	Ian Croker	Petrol for strimmer	£5.55
19/05/2008	700	Rachel Willcox	Expenses	£5.00
28/05/2008	700 a	Rachel Willcox	Salary	£83.33
03/06/2008	703	ALCC	Clerks Book	£67.00
02/06/2008	703 a	BANES	Car Park Rates	£20.00
02/06/2008	703 b	Ian Croker	Village Cleaning	£241.31
30/06/2008	703 c	Rachel Willcox	Salary	£83.33

Receipts

12/05/2008	147	BANES	Village Cleaning	£222.28
27/05/2008	148	HM Treasury	Interest	£69.58
11/06/2008	149	BANES	Village Cleaning	£222.28
30/06/2008	150	Natwest	Interest	£13.48

- a. RW/KLM – check our insurance with Zurich covers all our risks
- b. End of year accounts signed for Mazars. To be returned (RW)

9. Any other Business

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| RF | a. | Bus Stop – post put in, but sign fitted to incorrect post. First Bus to return and re attach and put up timetable. RF to monitor |
| AB | b. | Blue Storage Containers – Now building work at school has finished, AB to ask Bursar when they are going to be moved from Governor's field. Also to request further information about school's master plan for further building work etc. |
| KLM | c. | Cardboard Collections: Mount pleasant and Trollopes being missed off. KLM has contacted BANES, monitor. |

10. Date of Next meeting: 18th August 7.30pm
(provisional booking for:29th September)

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