

EAST HARPTREE PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 2015**

VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: EAST HARPTREE THEATRE @ 7.30pm

		<i>Present:</i> Cllrs Peter King (Chair), Mike Jennings, Paul Waldron, Andrew Jones and John Darvill; also in attendance Alan Butcher (Clerk)	
	808	<i>Apologies for absence.</i> Cllr Tim Warren.	
	809	<p><i>Public Forum:</i> The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation.</p> <p>5 members of the public were present.</p> <p>The question of the West of England Joint Spatial Plan and, in particular, the perceived housing needs until 2036 were raised. Whilst it was noted that BANES and other district councils had completed their quota of housing there was a significant shortfall for Bristol and it was likely that this could impact on surrounding areas including East Harptree.</p> <p>The use of the greenbelt was discussed and it was understood that there were a number of options in this regard which included the continued protection of the greenbelt, the expansion of Bristol into surrounding areas, the development of housing associated with transport routes, a plan to disperse the additional housing over a wider area or a new settlement at a location yet to be identified. The Parish Council was asked to be vigilant in monitoring this situation given that the Local Plan is reviewed every four years and that the housing considerations cover a twenty year period.</p>	
	810	<p><i>Declarations of Interest:</i></p> <p>Members to submit dispensation forms for matters relating to the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan and the Place-making Plan. All councillors submitted the relevant forms at the start of the meeting which were accepted and signed by the Proper Officer.</p> <p>There were no other declarations of interest.</p>	
	811	<p><i>Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:</i></p> <p>It was duly resolved that the acceptance of the minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 2015 be postponed until the meeting on 17th November 2015.</p>	
	812	<p><i>Placemaking Plan:</i></p> <p>i) Consideration of Draft Plan. The amended allocation of the Local Green Space Designations was accepted. Clerk to confirm reason why the Playing Field cannot be designated.</p>	

		<p>Concern was again expressed about the allocation of housing numbers over the two designated sites, particularly with regard to Pinkers Farm. However, it was noted that the draft document gave the number as 10 – 15 over the two sites with no other sites being considered.</p> <p>Clerk to write to Julie O'Rourke in this regard and also to mention the question of car parking provision.</p>	
813	<p><u>Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan:</u></p> <p>i) Parish Character Assessment – there was a requirement to involve parishioners in a review of the Parish Character Assessment which should be completed for review at the December meeting. Cllr Jones had circulated a draft email to be sent out on the subject.</p> <p>After discussion it was resolved to form an advisory committee to consider the Parish Character Assessment in respect of the CVNP, the committee to report to the November meeting and to have the revised draft PCA ready for final consideration at the December meeting. Members of the advisory committee to be Cllrs King, Waldron, Jones and Darvill.</p> <p>It was agreed that a campaign should be mounted to involve villagers and, to that end, posters and other information should be made available to all parishioners via the website, shop and other locations as appropriate. Cllr Darvill had prepared a draft leaflet and poster which was considered. Subject to comments the leaflet to be available for villagers as soon as possible. Poster to be printed and laminated by the clerk; Cllr Waldron agreed to post these around the village.</p>		
814	<p><u>Matters of Report:</u></p> <p>The matter of the litter bin which had been removed by BANES was discussed. The bin had been deliberately placed in the location now considered inappropriate by BANES as this was the place where many walkers and dog walkers passed by and where, following the removal of the bin, an increase in littering had been detected. The proposed location of the new bins were considered to be impractical and the bins were likely to be unused. Clerk to write to BANES on the matter.</p>		
815	<p><u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u></p> <p>The next scheduled meeting is on 17th November 2015.</p>		

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