

Butcombe Parish Council

MINUTES

Friday 17th August 2020 7.00 pm

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1. Attendees

Richard Whittington (RW) – Chairman

Justin Milward (JW) – Vice Chairman

John Collins (JC) – Parish Councillor

John Rodaway – Parish Councillor

Trevor Mitchell – Parish Councillor

Clare Collins (CC) – Parish Clerk

Emma Crew (EC) - Resident

Under the new guidance provided by ALCA this is our first public meeting conducted via Zoom.

1. Welcome (RW)

2. Apologies

Steve Hogg (SH) – District Councillor

3. Declaration of interests

None

4. Approval of minutes from the meeting held on 19/06/2020

All councillors agreed the minutes.

5. Planning

5a New applications:

- 20/P/1720/FUH - The Cottage Rusling Lane Butcombe Bristol BS40 7XQ- - Proposed erection of a balcony over the roof of the existing sun room on front elevation.
No objections
- 20/P/1491/FUL - Easter Barn Yewtree Batch Butcombe Bristol BS40 7XG - The demolition of a former agricultural building and replacement with a new domestic (C3) outbuilding along with the change of use of land from agricultural to domestic.
No objections – Following a site visit by JR & JM councillors were satisfied the building would be appropriate for the site and area.
- 20/P/1759/FUL - Barn At Butcombe Farm Aldwick Lane Butcombe BS40 7UW -
Application to remove condition 4 attached to planning permission 19/P/2234/FUL (erection of a replacement barn) on the basis that it fails to adhere to all of the 6 condition tests set out paragraph 55 of the NPPF in terms of being necessary, relevant and reasonable

Councillors object to the removal of the conditions previously imposed by North Somerset Council on the Barn and would like to see the conditions to be kept.

ACTIONS: CC to submit all comments via the NSC planning portal.

5b. Updates on submitted applications

- 20/P/1110/FUL Cholwell Farm, The Batch Butcombe Bristol BS40 7UY. Single storey side extension to provide additional accommodation and extension to domestic curtilage. – APPROVED
- Appeal - APP/D0121/W/20/3250564 of Planning application 19/P/1100/FUL – The Bungalow Inn, Kingdown Road. – Demolition of existing Public House and erection of a hotel. – ONGOING – No update on the current status. TM asked if the appeal was lodged within the necessary timescale.

ACTION: CC to check timescale

- 20/P/0834/FUH - Sunnyside Barn, Mill Lane, Butcombe Bristol BS40 7UT - Erection of a two storey side extension to North elevation, alterations at first floor to form gable and changes to fenestration on West elevation; alterations to roof. APPROVED
- 19/P/2766/FUL - Ruslin Farm Rusling Lane Butcombe BS40 7XQ - Demolition of hay store, conversion of barn and erection of a two storey extension to form 1no. dwelling and conversion of barn to self-contained annexe/ home office (all Unit 1). Demolition of farmhouse, removal of ancillary farm buildings and erection of 1no. replacement dwelling and detached two storey garage/office (all Unit 2) REFUSED – *Main points were due to the large scale of Unit one and the main farm house. The planners also stated the design wasn't in keeping with the area.*

6.Highways – JR – Update on The Batch and Yew Tree Batch

JR has been in contact with Richard Branchflower (RB) of NSC and he has agreed that work on the drainage needs doing. No timescale has been set but JR will continue to liaise with RB on this matter. A road closure will need to be obtained before any works can commence. JR has also arranged for a road sweeper and drain gully machine to be available at the same time to clear the drains.

ACTION: JR to continue to make the above arrangements.

JC stated that the verge cut was carried out on 16th July, all councillors agreed that it was a very poor cut by the contractors, this has also been logged with RB at NSC. TM enquired about the PC paying a private contractor to do the hedges well.

ACTION: RW and JR to seek estimates for this to be carried out by a private contractor.

7.North Somerset Council Local Plan consultation <https://n-somerset-pc.inconsult.uk/consult.ti/Challenges/consultationHome>

ACTION: TM to review the documents and submit any necessary comments on behalf of the PC

8.Climate change – Update from Event attended by RW.

RW provided an overview of the workshop. Councillors agreed to organise a village discussion and seek interest in what we can do in Butcombe to tackle Climate Change.

ACTIONS: RW to write a review to circulate to residents. CC to circulate information on a Zoom Climate Discussion meeting to residents. Potential date Wednesday 16th October

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9. Butcombe Community support to the Coronavirus pandemic.

CC reported that some support was still being provided for some residents, this is mainly for prescription collections. CC will liaise with the community support group and make a plan for going forward.

ACTION: CC will update councillors and residents in due course.

10. Any other business

JR reported that he and CC had been in contact with Daniel Barwise (DB) from Bristol Water regarding the use of Blagdon Lake during the easing of the restrictions. DB and his team are doing their best to tackle anti-social behaviour and the volume of litter being left by visitors. DB has asked that if we can assist with a litter pick our end of the lake this would be helpful.

ACTION: CC to arrange a litter pick in the near future.

JM provided a brief update from the PCAA.

JM advised that they are seeking to raise funds to employ some experts now Bristol Airport has lodged an official appeal against the refusal of the expansion.

RW advised that ALCA AGM is to be held via Zoom Sunday 10th October and any councillors were welcome to dial in.

RW also stated that ALC subs may significantly increase next year. Possibly by 50%

Date of next meeting: Friday 29th October 7:00 pm via Zoom

Meeting Closed at 08:12pm

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Signed: R Whittington	Date
Chairman	