

MONKTON COMBE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held in the Village Hall on 16th January 2017 at 7.30pm

		Parish Council Members Present: Cllr Des Wighton, Cllr Ross Buchanan, Cllr Simon Call, Cllr. Mike Wareham, Cllr Lyn Alvis, Cllr Gavin Douglas, and Mr. Geoff Davis – Clerk. B&NES Ward Councillor Neil Butters for part of the meeting.								
1	728	To receive apologies for absence – Ann Stewart sent apologies.								
2	729	Declarations of interest and dispensations – None.								
3	730	Confidential Matters - None								
4	740	Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th November 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman.								
5		Financial Matters								
	741	Budget for 2017/18 and Parish Precept – The Parish Council having considered the detailed budget and financial guidance provided agreed to set the precept at £6268 as this figure means that the average household contribution will remain at exactly the same level as last year. The clerk was instructed to submit this precept requirement to B&NES Council, and to amend the 2017/18 Budget with this figure.								
	742	The Parish Council approved the budget with this amended Precept value of £6268.								
	743	RFO Report and Payments for Approval - The RFO Report was received and noted. Cllr Simon Call having checked and verified the accounts duly signed them together with clerk.								
	744	It was confirmed that Peter Bossom did not want to be paid for his expenses producing the village newsletter, wishing to continue on an entirely voluntary basis.								
	745	Bank Balances as at 01.01.2017								
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		Receipts since meeting on 14th November 2016.								
		12 B&NES Council Agency Services November 2016	£261.33							
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		14 Bath Building Soc. Interest MCPC Miss Davies Account	£67.92							
		15 Bath Building Soc. Interest MCPC Account	£16.82							
		Payments approved as standing payments or at meeting on 14th November 2016 which have now been made.								
		15:58:14 Paul Tayler Contracting Hedge cutting around finger post	60.00							
		14:45:38 Mr. G. Davis Parish Clerk 30/10 - 26/11/2016	171.38							
		14:47:07 HMRC Month 8 PAYE	42.80							
		SO-Dec Ian Croker Village Cleaning	253.67							
		16:30:47 St Michaels Church Contrib to Church Light 2015-16	25.00							
		16:32:45 Mr. G. Davis Parish Clerk 27/11 - 31/12/2016	214.12							
		16:34:25 HMRC Month 9 PAYE	53.60							
		SO-Jan Ian Croker Village Cleaning	253.67							
6		Parish Matters and Works								
	746	Broadband Improvements for Monkton Combe – Cllr. Simon Call reported that the school had registered an interest with BT, and was looking at having fibre laid to Cabinet 3 at the bottom of Innox Drung. In order to encourage BT to proceed with this as many residents as possible should also register their interest with BT. Cllr. Des Wighton has placed a notice in the newsletter asking residents to do this.								
	747	Neighbourhood Watch – Nothing to report.								
	748	Tucking Mill & the Viaduct – The clerk reported that the fence has been repaired and that the re-routing of the footpaths and fencing of the fishing lake will now go ahead as the consultation is complete.								
	749	Phone Box Church Lane Junction – The clerk reported that the telephone box will be adopted by the Parish Council and B&NES Council are in the process of arranging this but there is no progress to-date.								

<p>7</p>	<p>Planning <u>Applications Received</u> –</p> <p>750 16/06176/FUL – April Dene, Mill Lane, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HD - Erection of two storey side extension. Erection of garage and utility room link, following demolition of existing garage. Extension of existing ground floor WC. – The Parish Council has No Comment to make.</p> <p>751 16/03939/LAPRE - Castle Farm Organics Limited, Castle Farm, Midford, Bath BA2 7BU Licence Type: Premises Licence Received 21/12/2016 Status: Checks Outstanding Details: Variation: To increase the range of licensable activities to include: Performance of Play, Exhibition of Film, Indoor Sporting Events, Live Music, Recorded Music, Performance of Dance, Anything of a similar description and Late Night Refreshment. Extend the sale of alcohol from 11:00 - 17:00 daily to Sunday to Thursday 09:00 - 23:30 and Friday and Saturday 09:00 - 00:00 Increase the Hours the premises are open to the public every day. Include a non-standard timing in respect of New Year's Eve. – The Parish Council Objects to this application as the issues are very similar to those such as the Waterhouse application. Cllr. Des Wighton will submit appropriate objection comments.</p> <p>752 <u>PLANNING DECISIONS by B&NES & WILTSHIRE</u> 16/04606/REM - Clubhouse Oldfield Rugby Football Club, Shaft Road, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HP - Removal of condition 1 of application 15/04598/VAR – PERMITTED 16/04871/FUL - Field Parcel 4385 Summer Lane Monkton Combe Bath - Erection of timber field gate for the purposes of agriculture. – PERMITTED 16/05298/FUL - Combe Hill House, Brassknocker Hill, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HU - Erection of a timber framed conservatory following demolition of lean-to in Courtyard area. PERMITTED 16/05299/LBA - Combe Hill House, Brassknocker Hill, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HU - External alteration for the erection of a conservatory following demolition of existing lean-to within courtyard area. CONSENT 16/05757/TCA - 1 Ivy Cottages, Shaft Road, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HL - T1: Cherry - reduce by 2-3m (35%). T2 - Sycamore - end weight reduce northwest limb by 2-3m. T3 - Sycamore - remove west limb. NO OBJECTION</p> <p>753 <u>Decisions Pending</u> 16/05306/FUL – Mulberry Cottage, Mill Lane, Monkton Combe, Bath BA2 7HD - Erection of single storey rear extension, car port & storage room. NO COMMENT <u>PLANNING APPEALS</u> - None <u>ENFORCEMENT UPDATE</u> - No Enforcement Actions pending. <u>Other Planning Matters to Report</u></p> <p>754 Invitation to comment on the Main Modifications to the B&NES Placemaking Plan. – The Parish Council has no further comments to make.</p> <p>755 Monkton Combe Rural Facilities Questionnaire 2017 – The Parish Council agreed the responses to each question. The clerk will submit the completed questionnaire.</p> <p>756 16/05548/MINW - Upper Lawn Quarry, St Winifred's Drive, Combe Down, Bath BA2 7HR - Extension to quarry – Cllr. Ross Buchanan pointed out that both Wessex Water and The National Trust have nearby land that could provide allotment space.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Highways and Footpaths</p> <p>757 Cllr. Ross Buchanan reported that Speed restriction signage was in need of repair/replacement. He will log a case with Council Connect for action.</p> <p>758 2nd Bridge replacement – It was reported that this is now complete.</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Reports - VPA, Bath Preservation Trust & any other Meetings</p> <p>759 VPA - It was reported that the VPA were primarily concerned with the Park and Ride scheme, and that a Planning Inspector had found that there was no business case for such a scheme. The VPA has also set up and funded a website A36A46LinkRoadFacts.org.uk that makes the case against a link road.</p> <p>760 Bath Preservation Trust - It was reported that Lisa Bartlett – Head of Planning at B&NES attended the recent Bath Preservation Trust meeting.</p> <p>761 Outcomes from the Bathavon Forum AGM - The Bathavon Forum is made another attempt to hold an AGM on 11th January. There was still no outcome to the future structure of this forum. A voting form has been received by the Parish, and it was agreed to vote for Option 2, to split the forum into North and South groups, and to make other comments regarding the timing and structure.</p>

	762	School – The Parish Council is met with the new school bursar on Friday 2 nd December. It was reported that Governors Field may not now be fully developed as planned. Future meetings will be from 5 – 6 p.m. on 7 th March, 13 th June, and 21 st November. The bursar will try to ensure a representative of the school attends the Annual Parish Meeting and prepares a report. At the future meetings it is hoped to discuss the replacement of orange lights with white, and the proposed pedestrian crossing on Church Lane between the school and the boarding houses.
10	763 764	Correspondence Received Royal Garden Party 2017 – ALCA Nominations to attend – The Parish Council agreed to nominate Cllr. Gavin Douglas and his wife for the ballot to attend this function. Bath and North East Somerset Council Parking Strategy – Stakeholder Questionnaire – Cllr. Gavin Douglas made the point, and the Parish Council agreed that the villages such as Monkton Combe need access to the city. So we do not agree with the principles of reducing parking, indeed there should be more on street parking and no increase in parking charges. Cllr. Gavin Douglas will respond to the questionnaire.
11	765	Other matters to report - None
12	766	Date Of Next Meetings - The following dates for future meetings were agreed:- Parish Council Meetings: March 13 th 2017 Annual Parish Meeting: Tuesday April 18 th 2017 Annual Parish Council Meeting: May 15 th 2017 The meeting Closed at 21:56

Approved and signed Monday 13th March 2017 Chairman