

TICKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on
Wednesday 23rd March 2016 at 9.30 a.m. at the Village Hall Committee Room

ACTION/BY

PRESENT: Cllr Bruce Ralfs in the chair, Cllrs John Banks, Jane Brock, David Franks, Alan Hooley, Ann Loader, Mike Perrott and Pam Trenchard.

In attendance: Vena Prater (Clerk)

39/16 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Ranjit Chuhan and Mike Woodey.

40/16 NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL CORE STRATEGY: SITE ALLOCATIONS

Following discussion at the previous meeting regarding North Somerset Council's development proposals for the period 2016-2036, this meeting had been called to formulate a response. Councillors had viewed the proposals online and Cllrs Loader and Trenchard had attended consultation presentations.

The Council's main concern was around the lack of any transport proposals contained in the Plan. Nailsea would effectively become a cul-de-sac with no satisfactory service roads. The most obvious route to and from the M5 would be via the B3130 through Tickenham and access to the B3130 from some of the proposed development would most likely be over the Causeway. No provision for access to Bristol Airport was shown, therefore a link to serve the airport and link with the motorway was suggested.

It was noted that there were some inconsistencies in the maps: (i) the 'green space' in Tickenham (i.e. the village field) was not shown; (ii) Nailsea Rugby Club was not shown as being relocated and the site developed; (iii) proposed development at Youngwood Lane, Nailsea, was not shown.

It was AGREED that the following response be sent to North Somerset Council:

- Tickenham Parish Council is extremely concerned that if the proposed development takes place, a substantial amount of traffic will pass through Tickenham on the B3130 and traffic using the Causeway is likely to increase considerably: such increases would be far beyond the capacity of the existing roads; no consideration whatsoever has been given to alternative routes to reduce traffic through the village;
- North Somerset Council is urged to produce a transport plan prior to the approval of any development, including links to the motorway and airport;
- Concern was expressed that the water table appears to have risen since the last planning application for development of the Pound Lane site; this may be due to DEFRA's policy of funding the stopping up of some rhyes to slow down run-off by using them as water retention ponds;
- Attention is drawn to inconsistencies in the maps as follows: (i) the Village Field in Tickenham is not included under 'green spaces'; (ii) Nailsea Rugby Club is not shown as being relocated and the site developed; (iii) proposed development at Youngwood Lane, Nailsea, is not shown.

Clerk/28.03.16