CLERK'S REPORT – 26th March 2024

Confidential Matters – Agenda Item 3

The Parish Council resolves to exclude the Public and Press for Agenda Items 13 as publicity would be .prejudicial to the public interest, and the items are confidential.

Parish Matters and Works – Agenda Item 6

Parish Sweeper – The Parish Sweeper has resigned and we need to consider recruiting a placement.
He terminated his (self-employed) contract on 6th March (without notice), thus although he submitted a full timesheet for March (the first submitted since April 2023) he can't be deemed to have done more than 7.5 hours (@ £11.82 per hour so £88.65).
Paperwork as such that exists, states payments 'On Account', so arguably he is paid in advance.
The Parish Council should decide what final payment he should receive for March.

1. Nothing as the February payment was On Account for March – so he has been overpaid for March.
2. £88.65 on the basis above.
3. His full monthly payment of £384.15 based on the March Timesheet submitted.

Equipment and Facilities – Checks by Councillors to report

- **Village Playground –** Any Report
- **Neighbourhood Watch** – Louise Jones PCSO has provided a Crime Statistics Report.
- **Lockup** – Any Report
- **Miss Davis Garden** – Any Report
- **Village Hall** – Any Report
- **Car Park** – Report on possible provision of Charging Points
- **Parish Council Noticeboard** – A36 Petrol Station – As previously there have been no comments or complaints since 10th

Highways and Footpaths – Agenda Item 8

Brassknocker Hill Speed Limits and Weight Restrictions – Charles Carr to report.
Shaft Road - Tarmac drive extension protuding into road – Report on progress with B&NES Highways.
Tucking Mill Toads – Signage provided by B&NES Highways for the 6 week migratory and appears to have been successful. There was one unpleasant incident, but other than this the project appears to be effective. Signage is still in place as the period of the project is from dusk to midnight for the migratory period from Monday 12th February to Sunday 24th March. We await any feedback from the group once the period is complete.
Temporary Closure of Public Bridleway BA16/18, Mill Lane, Monkton Combe – Report on current situation.
Combe Down Allotments – A Report on the current situation regarding closure.

Correspondence Received – Agenda Item 10

B&NES Parish and Town Nature Action Plans: Guidance for Parish and Town Councils, and West of England Rural Fund
A portrait of HM The King is now being made available to town, parish and community councils.
D - Day 80th Anniversary 6th June 2024 – Consideration of what the parish may wish to do.
Creating Age-Friendly Communities in BaNES - we need your help
Reminder: B&NES Parish and Town Nature Action Plans Guidance for Parish and Town Councils

Other Matters to Report – Agenda Item 11

Bus 94 Service Update – Press Release: B&NES Saves 94 Bus from Trowbridge to Bath
B&NES has secured funding to match Wiltshire Council's support which will enable the 94 bus from Bath to Trowbridge to continue serving residents in Westwood, Limpley Stoke, Freshford and Monkton Combe, alongside several schools, the University of Bath and Avonpark care home. Wiltshire Council has been funding the service in its entirety since WECA stopped funding it a year ago.

Dates for Future Meetings – Agenda Item 12

To confirm dates for the coming year.
Tuesday 16th April 2024 – Annual Parish Meeting
PCSO Louise Jones would like to attend
Chantal Young - Village Agent – West of England Rural Network would like to attend.
Tuesday 14th May 2024 – Annual Parish Council Meeting

EA/2022/0254; Monkton Combe Parish Council vs Information Commissioner (ICO Case Reference: IC-160435-H5M4).– Agenda Item 13

The Clerk will provide a Confidential Report on the current position.