

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 1ST APRIL
2014 IN THE PARISH ROOM OF THE CHURCH**

Present: Councillors: J. Burgess (Chairperson) S. Cook, L. Lumley, P. Ashman, I. Eve and Lynn Thornton (Clerk)

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61/14 Open Forum
Nothing to report.

62/14 Apologies
Cllr Childs.

63/14 Declarations of Interest by Councillors
None.

64/14 Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4th March 2014 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

65/14 Planning

The Council has received notification regarding the following planning application:

- a) S/.13/2616/FUL– Riverside bungalow – erection of replacement dwelling (outline) SUPPORTED

66/14 Accounts

a) Incomes received and payments for authorisation

Wilkins	45.24	Allotment rent
Bird	38.36	Allotment rent
Drewett	23.65	Allotment rent
Dungworth	12.73	Allotment rent
Howard	55.92	Allotment rent

Payments for Authorisation

L Thornton	374.00	Wages (March 2014)
GAPTC	170.42	Annual Subscription
St Barts Church	10.00	April meeting room
Coaley Village Hall	38.00	Jubilee room hire
Local Answer	315.00	April/May newsletter
L Thornton	65.00	Newsletter editing
Greenville Grounds	175.00	Churchyard mowing

- b) 4th quarter accounts inspected and approved by the full council.

- 67/14 Clerks Report
1. The clerk updated the council on Coaley woods, workmen have been in there identifying storm damage and this will be dealt with in due course.
 2. The clerk advised the manhole cover at West End has been repaired.
 3. SDC have announced all planning applications will now be advertised in the gazette and Stroud News and Journal.
- 68/14 Tennis Courts to be discussed
 Cllr Burgess has met with Helen Wilcox and Fiona Porter, they are happy with the proposal the council put forward. The courts will still be locked and a payment is required to use them, proposed key holders are the shop and pub, Cllr Burgess to confirm this. Funds need to be transferred and ring fenced for the courts. The committee will then dissolve and transfer all obligation and responsibility to the council. Cllr Burgess/
 Clerk
- 69/14 Upper Silver Street Farm
 Cllrs Burgess and Cook met with Mr & Mrs Payne regarding moving the container on the property, Mr & Mrs Merrett are willing to pay. There are 3 possible options: Cllr Burgess
1. Move into the field.
 2. Move into the courtyard, this may cause problems with vehicular access.
 3. Move away from the wall.
- The work should only take 2/3 months; Cllr Burgess will go back to Mr & Mrs Merrett and discuss the options.
- 70/14 Speaker for the APM to be decided.
 The councillors discussed inviting the wildlife warden or the new owners of the Fox and Hounds to the meeting to speak. Cllr Burgess will ask the new owners if they are interested when he visits them regarding holding the tennis court keys. Cllr Burgess
- 71/14 Affordable housing
 Cllr Burgess has been contacted by GRCC as they identified there is a need for affordable housing in the village. Council decided to wait until the 4 new houses are built and the outcome of these.
- 72/14 Footpaths, ditches and stiles to be discussed
 The Stile by Hodgecombe farm needs a new step, clerk to report to PROW. Dr Gammon spoke to the Cllr Cook regarding the drainage ditch which comes down the village, it runs along Norton's Alley, turns right and then left through 2 fields belonging to Ashmead Farm then reappears at the back of the school. Clerk to write to Mr Griffiths about reinstating the ditch in his field. Clerk
 Cllr Cook reported the bridleway has now been fenced off on Richard Carter's property. Clerk
 The clerk has sent letters to all the residents of Watkins Terrace, no responses to date.

- 73/14 Allotment Update
Hamshill has been fenced and gated around the storage area.
Far Green allotments need attention, the ones by The Ham are well tended but the others are in a poor condition. Clerk
The clerk has started receiving signed regulations and payment for the allotments, will chase those who pay for Far Green and see if they wish to continue and how to move it forward.
- 74/14 Village Maintenance
Cllr Cook has checked the bus shelter at far Green and it is fine for purpose.
- 75/14 Highways repairs and maintenance
Nothing to report.
- 76/14 Playarea Update
Nothing to report.
- 77/14 Matters for forward consideration
Tennis Courts
- 78/14 Items for press release and publication
Minutes

Meeting closed at 8.23pm