

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER 2015 IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL

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

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175/15 Open Forum
Nothing to report

176/15 Apologies
Cllr John Hobson

177/15 Co-option of new councillor
Penny Wait was co-opted onto the council.

178/15 Declarations of Interest by Councillors
None.

179/15 Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd November 2015 were approved and signed by the council.

180/15 Accounts

a) Incomes received and payments for authorisation

Tennis Courts	44.00	Court Hire
Waterend Farm	45.00	Newsletter Advertisement
Ecoarborist	60.00	Newsletter Advertisement
Clutterbucks	45.00	Newsletter Advertisement

Payments for Authorisation

L Thornton	382.00	Wages (November 2015)
The Local Answer	315.00	Newsletter Dec/January
N Power	62.02	Electricity for tennis courts
L. Thornton	65.00	Newsletter editing
SLCC	103.00	Annual subscription
L Thornton	3.72	Stamps
L Thornton	200.00	12 months office usage
Peter Ashman	100.00	Litter collection

b) 3rd quarter accounts were checked and verified.

181/15 Planning notifications

S.15/2589/FUL, Smithfield, Elmcote Lane, Cambridge - Change of use of an existing ancillary outbuilding to a residential dwelling house with associated works. **No Comment**

182/15 Clerks Report

1. Parish and Town council meeting takes place on Thursday 14th January at 7pm in the council chamber at Stroud District Council.
2. The clerk has received an update regarding neighbourhood wardens, SDC has now recruited more wardens which will bring them back up to full strength.
3. Peter Ashman emailed the clerk regarding the oak tree on Betworthy, it has grown substantially since it was planted and needs the ties replaced. Clerk to speak to Steve Marshall.
4. The public consultation on transport is ongoing, this ends on the 5th February.
5. Cllr Hobson has been contacted by PC Gemma Carman, the 2 community police officers would like to attend the February meeting. The council agreed to this request. Clerk to email PC Carman.
6. GRCC has sent through the updated survey, the council discussed the need to produce another survey as the last one was produced in 2012, the council voted to produce the survey with the February/March newsletter. A covering letter will also be written to accompany the survey to explain why the council is carrying it out.

183/15 Village Defibrillator

The defibrillator is ongoing, the produce show has agreed to donate to the cost as has the wives fellowship and a personal donation from Mr & Mrs Lumley as well as the original off of a personal donation. The clerk is waiting to receive confirmation of these offers in writing.

184/15 Solar Farm

The clerk has received an email regarding the alterations which are required on the contract, the council voted to approve these changes.

185/15 Tennis Court

Nothing to report

186/15 Emergency plan

Cllr Burgess emailed a template of the emergency plan to all councillors before the meeting, this was then discussed. The council agreed to send out the approved plan for all residents to read through and complete with the April/May newsletter.

187/15 Footpaths, ditches and stiles

The footpaths needs to be reallocated between the councillors to accommodate new councillors.

188/15 Allotments

Further to the request from Ms Crumpton to fix the the fence on 2 set dates this has not happened, the clerk has written to Ms Crumpton for an update on the situation. A response has not been received to date.

189/15 Village maintenance

Nothing to report

- 190/15 Highways repairs and maintenance
The clerk reported to the County Council highways department the passing bays on Peak Lane, there is £5000 in the pot to carry out work in Coaley. Andrew Middlecote the highways manager wanted the council to agree on where this money would be best spent, as this amount will not have a huge impact on the condition of Peak lane. The clerk has previously written to Andrew regarding traffic calming schemes on Peak Lane but the lane is not considered high risk, the clerk will ask for written confirmation on this. The council voted to spend the money on Peak Lane, clerk to advise and arrange a time to meet Andrew Middlecote.
- 191/15 Playarea
Cllr Lumley reported a lot of moss on the playarea. the clerk will meet with Steve Marshall to discuss getting this cleared and the bolts replaced.
- 192/15 Matters for forward consideration
Defibrillator
Emergency plan.
New councillor courses
- 193/15 Items for press release
Minutes

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

