

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6th MAY
2014 IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL**

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

REF

78/14 Open Forum

The chair welcomed John Hobson to the meeting. Mr Hobson was disappointed to see the results for the council elections and therefore would like to put himself forward to return to the council. This was very welcomed by those councillors returning for another term. Clerk to liaise with Mr Hobson.

79/14 Apologies

None.

80/14 Declarations of Interest by Councillors

None.

81/14 Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1st April 2014 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

82/14 Planning

The Council has received notification regarding the following planning application:

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

83/14 Accounts

a) Incomes received and payments for authorisation

Wilcox	20.62	Allotment Rent
Biesly	36.28	Allotment Rent
Coopey	11.55	Allotment Rent
SDC	6500.00	1 st instalment of precept

Payments for Authorisation

L Thornton	374.00	Wages (April 2014)
Playsafety Ltd	81.60	Playarea inspection
GoPak	942.19	VH Grant S137
Aon	1196.95	Councils insurance
Greenville Ground	175.00	Churchyard grass cutting
L Thornton	9.20	Stamps

- 84/14 Clerks Report
1. The clerk confirmed the council has received a response from the secretary of state regarding the letter which they sent. The letter has been placed in the circulation envelope.
 2. SDC has written to invite the council to comment on proposals concerning sheltered housing in the district. Responses needed by 23rd June.
 3. The clerk advised the council of the district decision regarding the changes to electoral boundaries. From 2016 all councillors will be up for election at the same time once every four years. This move will save the district £300,000 each four year period.
- 85/14 Tennis Courts to be discussed Cllr Burgess/
Clerk
- Cllr Burgess has spoken to the pub and they are happy to be key holders, just need to confirm with Martin Gregg keys can be left in the shop. There are 3 sets of keys. The aim is to hand over all the funds and transfer everything over for the June meeting. Cllr Burgess to write up the agreed running procedures. Cllr Burgess advised the council that someone has approached the tennis committee to run weekly children's lessons on the courts, the council would be happy to see this go ahead. Cllr Cook has looked into the issue of the horsetail weed, there is a product on the market promoted as able to kill this weed but it needs perseverance. The optimum time to spray is July.
- 86/14 Upper Silver Street Farm Cllr Burgess
- Mr & Mrs Merrett would like the discussion with Mr & Mrs Payne put into writing, as this will help them whilst trying to sell the house.
- 87/14 Footpaths, ditches and stiles to be discussed Clerk
- Norton's Alley has Knot weed as the right hand side in the field as you go from the recreation field. As this is Gloucestershire CC land, clerk to contact the council and discuss the issue. The step has not been repaired from the recreation field by the tennis courts, clerk to chase.
- 88/14 Allotment Update Clerk
- The clerk has received a letter from Darren Howard requesting permission to erect a greenhouse and small shed on the allotment. All councillors supported this request.
- 89/14 Village Maintenance Clerk
- Cllr Childs has advised the local PC that she is stepping down and the clerk will inform once her successor has been allocated.
- 90/14 Highways repairs and maintenance
- Cllr Burgess asked for an update regarding the passing bays on Peak Lane, clerk to chase.

- 91/14 Playarea Update
Rospa reports has been placed in the circulation envelope, there was only one area highlighted as a medium risk.
- 92/14 Matters for forward consideration
New Councillors
- 93/14 Items for press release and publication
Minutes

Cllr Burgess wished to thank all the departing councillors for all their hard work and service to the parish.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm