

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2018 IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Councillors: J. Burgess (Chairperson) S. Cook, G. Carter, B. Bywater and Lynn Thornton (Clerk)

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62/18 Open Forum  
Cllr Burgess welcomed Barbara to the meeting, Barbara Davis is in attendance should the council have any questions regarding the village hall committees grant application.

63/18 Apologies for absence  
Cllrs Hobson, Wait and Percy.

64/18 Declarations of Interest by Councillors  
None

65/18 Report from District Councillor Dewey and County Councillor Patrick  
Cllr Dewey's report attached as appendix I.

66/18 Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

67/18

Planning

- a) S.18/0591/FUL – Ham Farm – erection of farm building.  
Supported with comments.

68/18 Accounts  
a) Incomes received and payments for authorisation

D Bird	38.56	Allotment rent
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Payments for Authorisation

L Thornton	396.00	Wages March 2018
S Marshall	938.55	Village maintenance
Greenville Grounds	100.00	Grass cutting – Churchyard
L Thornton	8.70	Postage
A Hambling	318.48	Newsletter April/May
L Thornton	65.00	Newsletter editing

69/18 Clerks Report

1. The phonebox has now been adopted. Further to a conversation with Steve Marshall, when Slimbridge adopted the phonebox, BT ensured the phonebox was in good condition. Clerk to investigate further.
2. Cllr Carter and Percy have been booked on the new councillors course in May.
3. The clerk has submitted the paperwork to TSB to update the signatories. Cllrs have been asked to visit the building society and provide the necessary ID.

- 70/18 Tennis courts  
Cllr Bywater reported the padlock has been removed from the gate and not returned. Cllr Bywater will reinstate the padlock.
- 71/18 Village shop update  
Cllr Wait sent a report to the council prior to the meeting.  
The shop committee is looking into a new open/closed sign to be fixed either on a post or fixed to the concrete. Ellie Sainty joined the committee at the last meeting for an update on the pub. She is keen to have a “village” pub and is happy to co-operate with all groups and open to any suggestions as to how the locals would like to see it develop (such as special and charitable events, anybody would like to hold there).
- 72/18 Policing  
There has been reports of tyres being slashed at Far Green. Cam and Dursley have also had the same issue.
- 73/18 Speed Survey  
Cllr Bywater had nothing further to report regarding the speed calming measures proposed for the village.
- 74/18 Newsletter  
The council has received a resignation from Alison Hambling to produce the parish newsletter. Cllrs Burgess and Cook to deliver the final cheque and speak to Alison regarding her decision.  
A suggestion to produce a survey instead of the next newsletter to try and identify what parishioners would like was discussed.
- 75/18 Annual Parish meeting  
Clerk to request the main hall rather than the Jubilee room for the meeting, clerk to forward poster to Cllr Cook to update the photo.
- 76/18 Grant application  
The council discussed the application from the village hall cttee requesting financial support to carry out updates to the emergency exit facilities at the hall. The councillors voted to award £2900.00. Clerk to send letter to Mrs B Davis to confirm the amount and conditions.
- 77/18 Emergency Plan during bad weather  
The clerk has received a response from Nikki Humphries of SDC regarding the council producing a bad weather emergency plan, the council is to contact Nikki if they wish to pursue this.
- 78/18 Defibrillator  
Cllr Cook confirmed the village defibrillator is registered with the ambulance service, therefore anyone in need of the defibrillator will not have an issue accessing it.
- 79/18 Footpath, ditches and stiles to be discussed  
New allocation of the footpaths deferred to the next meeting.
- 80/18 Allotment Update  
Cllr Burgess had nothing to report. The clerk noticed lots of chopped trees on the allotment, Cllr Burgess to investigate.
- 81/18 Village Maintenance  
The new bench was deferred to the next meeting.

- 82/18     Highways repairs and maintenance  
Potholes have been noted on Peak Lane.
- 83/18     Playarea Update  
Cllr Bywater has met on site with a couple of companies to seek quotes for new play equipment, the equipment is aimed at older children.  
Greenfields and playahead submitted a couple of options. The council voted for the Tarzan rings with Greenfields. Clerk to instruct Greenfields.
- 84/18     Matters for forward consideration  
Newsletter  
Footpaths  
Bench
- 85/18     Items for press release  
Minutes

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.