

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 12 MAY 2016

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs J Tomblin (Chairman), Cllr Mrs S Cameron (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Mrs P Chester-Master and Cllr G Edwards, Cllr Mrs R Freyne, Cllr N Price, Cllr Mrs C Sutton.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs C Braidwood (Clerk)

1. Election of Chairman

To hold office until the Annual Council Meeting 2017

RESOLUTION 11/16

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Chester-Master Seconded: Cllr Mrs Sutton

And unanimously resolved to elect Cllr Mrs Tomblin to serve as Chairman for the forthcoming year.

Chairman's Acceptance of Office

Cllr Mrs Tomblin signer her Acceptance of Office.

2. Election of Vice Chairman

To hold office until the Annual Council Meeting 2017

RESOLUTION 12/16

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Tomblin Seconded: Cllr Edwards

And unanimously resolved to elect Cllr Mrs Cameron to serve as Vice Chairman for the forthcoming year.

3. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Cllr Shaun Parsons (GCC and CDC)

4. Declarations of Interest and Update Register of Members' Interests (as required)

None

5. Acceptance and signing of Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday, 5 March 2015

RESOLUTION 13/16

The Minutes were unanimously agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Planting / Sowing on Central Reservation at Toll Bar

Action: NP & CS It was agreed that Bibury Landscaping would spray the area to clear the weeds and Cllr Mrs Sutton would obtain wild flower seed from Meg Blumson.

7. Village Affairs

Community Noticeboard

The Clerk confirmed the magnetic backing for the inside of the board has been sourced and the header is being engraved. Mr Kendrick has advised that he will commence work on the board as soon as the header board is ready.

Action: CB

Police Report – Attached

Noted

Spring Clean

The Chairman thanked everyone who had helped, noted that some people were unavailable due to the short notice and that the turnout has been disappointing. It was agreed to avoid confusion in the future by scheduling the event for the last weekend in March every year to coincide with the clocks being changed. The Clerk was requested to include this on the agenda for the January meeting and include in the Village Newsletter the same month.

Action: CB

8. Questions from the Public

None

9. Playing Field

9.1 Annual Safety Report

RESOLUTION 14/16

It was noted that the report shows that some repairs are needed on the old slide and Cllr Edwards agreed to see what materials are needed and to carry out the work. The rope ladder also needs replacing.

Action: NP & GE

Bibury Landscaping would replace the bark under old slide.

9.2 Update on Refurbishment of Play Area Equipment

It was noted that the installation has been completed and all of the grant funding received.

9.3 Arrangements for the Launch and Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations – 11 June 2016

- 6 people will be need to set up the tent over lunch time.
- Mr and Mrs Canton have kindly offered to provide electricity.
- Use the urn from the Village Hal but Cllr Price will make enquiries about replacing the existing one which has some defects.
- Use tables from the Village Hall and arrange for transportation that morning.
- Ask people to bring picnic rugs or chairs
- Cllr Mrs Freyne will supply mugs
- Cllr Mrs Tomblin to supply tea, milk and sugar and to price up cartons of juice and bottles of water in addition to making a cake
- Cllr Edwards is unable to attend but will make enquiries of parents of young children to organise games / races and Football game
- Advertise in the Newsletter
- Obtain Plaque for play equipment
- Consider Planting a tree in the autumn to commemorate the Queen's 90th Birthday.

10. Village Hall

The Clerk was requested to check conditions of the Transparency Fund grant and, if possible, cancel the Village Hall broadband installation until Gigaclear fibre is available in Village towards the end of this year.

Action: CB

11. Finance

11.1 Budget Report and Bank Reconciliation for Year Ending 31 March 2016 – attached RESOLUTION 15/16

It was resolved to approve the Report.

11.2 Audit Return for Year Ending 31 March 2016

RESOLUTION 16/16

It was resolved to approve the Financial and Governance Statements and the Return was duly signed by the Chairman and the Clerk (RFO).

11.3 Bills for Payment

RESOLUTION 17/16

It was resolved to approve the following bills for payment

Busy Fingers – Newsletter Printing	£29.11
J-Bookkeepers – Internal Audit	£90.00
Playsafety Ltd – Play Area Safety Check	£270.00
Sovereign Design – Balance for Play Area	£10,962.70
C Braidwood – Clerk's Expenses	£21.84
Bibury Landscaping – Grasscutting	£360.00

11.4 Insurance Renewal (Three Year Agreement)

RESOLUTION 18/16

The quotation from current provider was noted and it was agreed to seek alternative quotes and agree by email.

11.5 To Consider Donation Requests:

RESOLUTION 19/16

It was unanimously resolved to make the following donations:

- Citizens Advice Bureau £50.00
- Gloucestershire Archives £50.00

- 12. Planning**
- 12.1 New Planning Applications**
- 16/01391/LBC Pear Tree Cottage Preston Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5PR**
Repoint outside of property
No Objections
- 16/01516/LBC Buttress Cottage 90 Preston Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5PR**
Replacing window on east elevation with a set of French doors
No Objections
- 15/05165/OUT Land To The South Of Love Lane Cirencester Gloucestershire**
Outline application for the erection of up to 88 dwellings, to include vehicular access off Park Way; new pedestrian and cycle links to the wider area; improvements to Siddington School, including improved access facilities and the erection of a new purpose built school hall; a solar park; ecological enhancements; strategic landscaping; and associated infrastructure
Preston Parish Council objects to this application due to the loss of the green space that provides a buffer between the Town of Cirencester and the Village of Siddington.
- 12.2 Planning Applications Responded to Since Last Meeting**
- 16/01213/HEDGE Cirencester To Fairford Gloucestershire**
Removal of hedgerow sections as detailed in submitted plans
No Objections
- 12.3 Planning Decisions Received - None**
- 12.4 Planning Correspondence**
CDC Draft Housing Plan 2016 – 20 Consultation 3 May – 14 June 2016
Noted. It was agreed to develop a response by email.
- 12.5 Tree Works - None**
- 13. Correspondence**
- Police & Crime Commissioner – Road Safety Initiative**
It was agreed that there seems to be less traffic through the Village since the installation of the traffic lights at the London / Burford Road junction. However, there is still some concern about traffic speeds.
- 14. Any Other Business**
- Uncontrolled Dogs**
Members had been made aware of residents' concerns about uncontrolled dogs being allowed to wander into gardens and on private land. It was agreed that Members would speak to local dog owners to make them aware of this issue.
- 15. Date and Time of Next Meeting – Parish Council Meeting**
Thursday, 7 July 2015 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25 pm