

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 12 JANUARY 2017

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs J Tomblin (Chairman), Cllr Mrs S Cameron, Cllr Mrs P Chester-Master, Cllr Mrs R Freyne, and Cllr Mrs C Sutton

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs C Braidwood (Clerk)

1. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Cllr G Edwards (Personal), Cllr N Price (Personal) and Cllr S Parsons

2. Declarations of Interest & Code of Conduct

2.1 To Receive Member's Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda

None

2.2 To Receive Updates to Members Register of Interests

None

3. Minutes from Previous Meetings

3.1 Acceptance and signing of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 November 2016

RESOLUTION 01/17

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

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

CDC's Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule

The Chairman advised that that she had attended a meeting at CDC and reported that a list of priority works for the District has been drawn up and that in the future developers would be required to contribute to the cost of these. However, this would not replace local Section 106 Agreements.

5. Village Design Statement

Revised Statement

It was noted that the revised version of the Statement is currently with GRCC for checking and it was agreed that once it is finalised it should be made available to download from the website and available in hard copy on request. Notification should be included in the Village Newsletter.

Action: CB

Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr Mrs Freyne advised that, building on from the Design Statement, she would fully support a Neighbourhood Development Plan being carried out and that this would help to preserve the Village as an entity for the future. Furthermore, she recognised that professional help would be needed.

Action: CB

The Clerk was requested to bring further information on the process to the next meeting.

6. County and District Councillor – Cllr Shaun Parsons

Not available.

7. Questions and Comments from the Public

None

8. Playing Field

Play Area Report – Cllr G Edwards

Not available

Removal of Redundant Stile and Installation of Signs

Deferred to the next meeting.

9. Village Hall – Cllr Mrs C Sutton

Cllr Mrs Sutton advised that a damp report has been received indicating that the problem is in structural joins. The surveyor has recommended that the outside breeze block wall should be rendered to protect it from the elements. It was noted that the roof of the outbuilding abutting the Hall and owned by the adjoining property has been repaired.

The Committees funds are currently healthy due to frequent and regular bookings. There are now 3 Yoga classes but Pilates has finished.

10. Village Affairs Police – Crime Report

Not available

Winter Maintenance Work

- Deferred to the next meeting when Cllr Price will be available.
- It was decided to ask Mr C Huck if he would be able to cut the grass on the verge outside Village Farm in order to keep Village maintenance costs down.
- It was noted that Gloucestershire Highways had cut back the trees on Kingshill Lane and although further work would improve them, it was decided not to do so as it would increase the pressure on the Village maintenance budget.
- Cllr Mrs Chester-Master advised that the ivy on her wall which borders the Village road, would be cut back shortly.
- It was reported that the holly bush outside Pear Tree Cottage overhung the footway and could be a hazard to pedestrians.

Action: CB

Removal of Village Payphone and Adoption of Kiosk

In hand and waiting for BT to progress.

Village Litter Pick

It was agreed to carry out the litter pick on Saturday, 25 March meeting at 10 am at the gate to the Church.

Notification should be in the Village Newsletter and the Clerk was requested to book the litter picking equipment from CDC.

Action: CB

11. Finance

11.1 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Status up to 31 December 2016 RESOLUTION 02/17

The Clerk was requested to moved £182.40 from Donations to VAT in the Cash Book but otherwise it was resolved to adopt the report.

11.2 To Approve Bills for Payment : Attached Schedule RESOLUTION 03/17

It was resolved to pay the Bills as detailed on the Schedule.

11.3 Grounds Maintenance Contract for 2017 – 2019 RESOLUTION 04/17

It was resolved to accept Bibury Landscaping quotation for the coming 3 years including maintenance of the wildflower path on the central reservation of the A419 at the old Toll Bar.

11.4 Budget for 2017 – 18 RESOLUTION 05/17

It was unanimously resolved to set the budget as per the attached schedule.

11.5 Precept for 2017 – 18 RESOLUTION 06/17

It was unanimously agreed to set the Precept at £10,656 plus £383 Local Council Tax

Support Grant giving a total of £11,039.

12. Planning

12.1 New Planning Applications - None

12.2 Planning Applications Responded to Since Last Meeting

12.3 Decision Notices Received

16/04728/FUL Preston Mill Barn Swindon Road Preston CIRENCESTER Gloucestershire GL7 6ET Erection of single storey side extension
PERMITTED 4 January 2017

12.4 Any Urgent Planning Items Received since Publication of the Agenda

16/05245/OUT Land West Of Kingshill Lane Cirencester Gloucestershire

Outline application (with all matters reserved for subsequent consideration) for residential development (up to 375 dwellings), infrastructure, ancillary facilities, open space and landscaping, creation of new vehicular access and emergency vehicular access from Kingshill Lane

16/05246/OUT Land West Of Kingshill Lane Cirencester Gloucestershire

Outline application (with all matters reserved for subsequent consideration) for residential development (up to 130 dwellings), infrastructure, ancillary facilities, open space and landscaping, and creation of new vehicle access from Kingshill Lane

It was noted that the access has been moved nearer to the Football Club and a footpath had been included in the plans that runs the length of the site but has only one entrance/exit onto Kingshill Lane. Concern was expressed that there are no public transport links to the site.

It was agreed to request an extension from CDC for response and that a public Village meeting would be held on Thursday, 2 February. Residents comments could then be included in the formal response to the applications.

In the meantime, the Chairman would make the hard copy of the application to residents on request and a letter drop and email notification of the meeting would be sent out.

13. Chairman's Report

Cllr Mrs Tomblin advised that she had received complaints about dog faeces on the pavement and requested that the Clerk include a warning in the Village Newsletter.

Action: CB

14 Correspondence

Cotswold Hare Trail - Noted

GCC – Watercourse Mapping Project - Noted

GCC – Changes to Bus Services - Noted

CDC – Request for the Electoral Register

Cllrs Mrs Tomblin and Freyne request data copies and Cllr Mrs Chester-Master requested a hard copy. No one wanted monthly updates.

GAPTC - Nomination for Buckingham Palace Garden Party

Action: CB It was agreed to nominate Mr Rex Canton.

CDC – Ambulance Response Rates - Noted

15 Any Other Business

None

16 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Thursday, 2 March 2017 at 7 pm in the Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.14 pm