



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 10th June 2010 at 7.30pm at Whiteshill Village Hall

Present: Councillors Rebecca Charley, Gerri Kimber (from 8.45pm), Peter Hood, Greg Dance, Nigel Smith, Vanessa Price, Louise Scott, Helen Dunn (Parish Clerk), District Councillor Philip Booth, Chief Executive of SDC David Hagg, Deputy Monitoring Officer Alison Sharpe.

Introductions took place as 2 new Cllrs had been elected recently. Cllr R Charley took the Chair to begin

221/06/10 Election of Chairman of the Council

Cllr P Hood nominated and proposed J Rogers; this was seconded by Cllr R Charley. Although not there Cllr J Rogers had been spoken to and was happy to be Chairman. All in agreement

222/06/10 To receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

This will take place as soon as possible

223/06/10 To receive the councillors' Declaration of Acceptance of Office

These were all signed; those not present will be signed as soon as possible

224/06/10 Election of Vice-Chairman of the Council

Cllr P Hood nominated and proposed Cllr R Charley and Cllr L Scott seconded. All in agreement. Cllr R Charley took the position and then continued to Chair the meeting as the Chairman was absent.

At this point Chief Executive David Hagg spoke to the Cllrs regarding the issues surrounding the wrong results at the Elections being published. He offered his sincere apologies, and stated that there was no need for a recount, it had been an administrative error, where a full investigation is taking place. A small discussion took place before Cllr R Charley offered thanks for coming and clearing up any issues. David Hagg and Alison Sharpe then left.

225/06/10 To appoint members to the Committees/Sub-Committees

The following committees were decided upon:

- Planning Committee: Cllrs J Rogers, G Dance, L Scott,, S Tomkins and V Price
- Finance Committee: Cllrs J Rogers, R Charley, G Kimber, P Hood
- PROW working party: Cllrs J Rogers, G Dance, L Scott, S Tomkins, N Smith
- Playing Field working party: Cllrs J Rogers, R Charley, G Kimber, P Hood, S Tomkins

226/06/10 To accept apologies for absence

Cllrs S Tomkins and J Rogers and County Cllr T Blackburn

227/06/10 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

There were none

228/06/10 Approval of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th May 2010

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th April 2010 had been previously distributed and were accepted and signed as a true record

229/06/10 Chair's announcements

- An e-mail had been received from Cllr J Rogers asking to give support to Cllr T Blackburn on the 20 is plenty campaign and a draft letter had been put together for sending off. An address would be needed to send the letter and given to all Cllrs for them to write their own letter of support **Action: Clerk and Cllrs**
- Also mentioned was the need for a petition, Cllr G Dance said he would organise this. **Action: G Dance**
- It was also mentioned about the Kenyan teachers coming over and it was believed only one could now make it, so it was decided to leave any games of Boules for another time



230/06/10 Report from County Councillor

Cllr T Blackburn was unable to attend but expressed that the Council should write in support of the 20 is plenty and a crossing at the School so as it could be represented at the GCC scrutiny committee he is due to attend.

231/06/10 Report from District Councillor

Cllr P Booth confirmed that the Bread Street Party had been booked an invoice to the Council will follow. There were 4 vacancies for Cllrs in the Randwick Parish. 3 Enforcements notices had been given in the area. The vandalised dog signs had been reported and Cllr P Booth had put a report on his blog about spraying dog poo pink which had got people talking!

232/06/10 To receive and consider reports from the Officer of the Council

The Clerk reported on the following important correspondence

- E-mail sent to SDC planning from Bread St Residents with regards to land being wrongly used, this had been forwarded to the Enforcement officer.
- GAPTC/Nailsworth consultation policy updates
- Vandalised sign on MWH/33/1 reported to Glos Highways, it was to be looked at
- Clerk asked what the next steps would be in getting the Notice board put up, it was decided that the Clerk should meet with Cllr R Charley to discuss this along with where the position of the new gates would go on the Playing Field to prevent cars getting stuck in the mud. **Action: Clerk/ R Charley**
- An E-mail had been received from Steve Marshall regarding the amount of rubbish being left in the Playing Field wooden bin by the shop – there had been extra bin bags left there and this was causing foxes to get in the rubbish causing further mess. It was resolved that the Clerk should contact the Scout hut and Football club to ask that they take all their own rubbish away with them. **Action: Clerk**
- The Clerk enquired about Broadband and utilities expenses, it was agreed that £10 a month for Broadband usage and £8 a month for utilities such as electricity and heating.
- The Clerk introduced a folder that would have various items in received by post, should anyone wish to take any of the items to read.
- Confirmed bin locations – clerk to contact Steve Marshall to place litter bin on wall by the Village Green, clerk to write to owners of field where the dog bin has been proposed to be placed to let them know **Action: Clerk**
- ROSPA report had been received where slight concern was on one of the items of equipment. Playing Field working party to look at. **Action: PFWP**

233/06/10 To discuss the issues regarding the Elections count

This was discussed earlier when David Hagg attended

234/06/10 Updates on actions from last meeting:

- Basketball hoop - This had been purchased, and the basket ball back board has been collected. This will progress when Cllr S Tomkins returns **Action: S Tomkins**
- Bench on Laburnum Crescent – It was suggested that this should be treated, Cllr L Scott will speak to the residents and arrange it and to also fix the 3 slats that have become loose. **Action: L Scott**

234/06/10 Finance and formal notices

- Resolution: The payments were approved in accordance with the budget
 1. Refreshments for Annual Parish meeting and Parish Plan event £65.18
 2. Mrs H Dunn Clerk's salary £291.90
 3. Travis Perkins £66.69
 4. Glasdon Direct – purchase of litter and dog bin £182.95
 5. Mrs H Dunn Clerks expenses £26.00 (top up of phone and postage)
 6. Gloucestershire playing fields membership renewal £50.00
 7. Steve Marshall – Village maintenance £180.00
 8. Playsafety Limited – ROSPA report £81.08
- Report on current financial position – The Clerk has not yet received any statements from the bank accounts therefore an estimated account sheet was given to all Cllrs.



- To sign letter stating the change of address and contact details for Tridos bank account and Lloyds TSB – the appropriate Cllrs signed all paperwork. Clerk to send off.

235/06/10 Village Gateway

To receive an update on the village gateway – At present there is no more information on this. Cllr T Blackburn is awaiting for the 20mph speed to be assessed before this can be pushed forward

236/06/10 Crime and Disorder Report

To receive Neighbourhood Watch Report – Nothing to report at present, Cllr P Hood is planning to attend the Stroud Cluster group meeting taking place on 23rd June at Stroud Police Station

At 8.45pm Cllr G Kimber arrives

237/06/10 Playing Field Working Party

- Receive an update from the Playing Field Working Party – The Playing Field working party only meet every other month, therefore nothing to report this time.
- To discuss ongoing use of football pitch – The Clerk had written to both Painswick and Whiteshill Football clubs but as of yet no response had been received. An e-mail had been received from another football team looking for a home pitch. Discussions arose from this. It was commented that a proper booking system would have to be implemented with bookings going through the Council. There would need to be fair usage of not just football but other activities and quiet time etc. It was decided to wait for a response from the teams regarding their usage before anything was taken forward.
- To discuss Tree inspections with regards to the collapsed branch – It was discussed that a proper Tree inspection should take place on the trees around the Playing Field since the collapse of a branch off one of the big trees. The Clerk and Cllr R Charley had looked up some numbers, Cllr R Charley to contact SDC Tree Officer for advice. It was also mentioned that a Sycamore tree was growing in Cllr G Kimber's garden and the Playing field. Cllr G Kimber would like this looked at and removed. The Playing Field working party will look at it
Action: R Charley/PFWP

238/06/10 Public Rights of Way Working Party - footpaths and highways

- Receive an update from the Public Rights of Way Working Party including MWH/15/1 – Clerk to check with Cllr J Rogers if anything had been progressed towards this
- To discuss the Lightwood Lane wall collapse response - consideration of bollards? – An e-mail had been received from PROW stating that unfortunately no help could be given and that the responsibility lies with the owner. The Council objected to the bollards in the fact that they were not in keeping with the area.
- To discuss the installation of the Playing Field alleyway lighting – This had been installed without the Cllrs aware it was happening, it was decided to wait to see if an invoice was received and then reply accordingly. Cllr G Dance will check to see if light is working. No comments had been received from residents.
- To receive and make a decision on e-mail from John Kay regarding the bungalows access – An e-mail had been received recognising the situation and a couple of possibilities were suggested. It was decided that the planning committee would meet before the next planning meeting and look at the situation with the possibilities and make a decision after. It was also stated that this could be more information to support the 20mph speed limit.
- To receive 20 is plenty updates – The 20 is plenty signs have been removed – by Glos Highways, Clerk to ensure they are returned. There is a parish forum being held at Minchinhampton Offices on July 20th where discussions will take place on the new guidelines to be introduced for 20mph in Gloucestershire. Cllrs J Rogers, L Scott and G Dance to attend – Clerk to make the bookings

239/06/10 Planning and Environment Committee

1.1. Planning Applications for review

- S.10/0877/HHOLD 4 Woodside Terrace, The Close, Ruscombe. Erection of outbuilding
- S.10/0923/HHOLD Lynworth, Lower Kitesnest Lane, Whiteshill. Erection of replacement garage

The above 2 applications went through with no comments

- S.10/0399/HHOLD revised plans for Ael Y Bryn, Upper Kitesnest Road, Whiteshill

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Full Council decided to leave no comments on the above application

- S.10/1000.HHOLD 3 Hillside, Bell Pitch, Whiteshill, GL6 6BP

Cllr L Scott will look at this application and send response to Clerk

- Permission received for:
 - S.10/0478/HHOLD Inglewood, Lightwood Lane, Randwick. Erection of extension
 - S.10/0584/HHOLD Rosedale, Lower Kitesnest Lane, Whiteshill
 - S.10/0478/HHOLD Inglewood, Lightwood Lane, Randwick
- Clerk's advice with regards to planning – The Clerk had recently been on training course where it was pointed out that all planning applications should be heard at a Council meeting or a separate planning meeting which is open for the public to attend.

240/06/10 Parish & Emergency Plans

- To discuss the next step in the Parish Plan – Discussions took place where it was stated that another event should take place in July so as to get it publicised in the WaRbler, or a leaflet drop. It was suggested that Marilyn Cox be invited to attend to give a small talk on what the steering group would be expected to do and how the process would work in getting the plan up and running. The Clerk is in the process of compiling an e-mail list of parishioners so to keep all informed of the progress. A suggestion of holding the next event at the shop was put forward. Clerk to also put the information gathered from the coffee morning on the website.
Action: Clerk
- To discuss "Does WRPC need a Play Policy?" based on article in the Playing Field magazine – This was discussed and it was felt that the Playing Field Working Party could look into it to draw up a draft policy to combine with the usage of the football field.
Action: PFWP

241/06/10 Allotments

- To receive an update from the Allotments Association – Items are due to be ordered and it would need people's time to be there on delivery of goods etc.
- To receive an update regarding the funding application – Information had been received back from the Big Lottery Funding, the clerk to send off for some items.

242/06/10 Report from the Whiteshill School Governor

- Update from the School Governor – As John Mutton is no longer on the Council it was resolved that this needs no longer to be a regular item on the agenda. This can be put on as and when necessary.
- Update on School railing flower boxes – These were being purchased this week and taken to the school. Cllr S Tomkins to follow up.
Action: S Tomkins

243/06/10 To consider attendance at forthcoming external meetings for which the clerk has received details

- National seminar on Common Land and Town and Village Greens Thurs 1st July day event
- Playground management training seminar Thurs 1st July 6 – 9pm
- South West Allotments Officer's Forum Tues 22nd June 9.30 – 3.30

No Cllrs wished to attend any of the above meetings

244/06/10 Dates of next meetings:

- 24th June Planning Committee 8pm at the Village Hall
- 8th July Full Council meeting 7pm at the Village Hall – the school to do a small presentation – clerk to check with school.

It was noted that the railings had now all been painted and straightened by the payback team. This had been organised by Cllr P Hood and thanks was given.

The chairman closed the meeting at 9.50