

MINUTES OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD at
7.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 3rd September 2003 at BISLEY WOMEN'S
INSTITUTE HALL

Mr N S Rogers	}	
Ms L Greene	}	Bisley Ward
Mr J P L Perkins	}	
Mr D W Workman	}	
Mr R K Brooks	}	Eastcombe Ward
Mrs J W Russell	}	
Mrs O M Turner	}	
Mr R N Budgeon	}	Oakridge Ward
Mr A E Davis	}	
Mrs T A Howes		Clerk

In attendance: District Cllr D Le Fleming
0 members of the public were present

03.09 1. **Apologies for Absence**

Mrs P Carrick (illness) ,Mr R Bryant (holiday), Mr N Carter(holiday).
In the absence of Mrs Carrick it was proposed by Mrs Russell that Mr N Rogers chair the meeting , this was unanimously seconded and Mr Rogers took the chair.

03.09 2. **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present

03.09 3. **Declaration of Interests**

There were no declarations of interests

03.09 4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 6th August having been circulated were amended as follows: page 49:03.08.8 "bill" was substituted for "cheque". The minutes were than approved and the chairman signed the minute book.

03.09 5. **Matters Arising**

a) **Mr A Turner- GCC Highways**

The clerk informed the meeting that Mr A Turner from GCC Highways would attend the meeting on 3rd December at 7.00pm.

b) **Employment of Handy man**

Discussion on this was deferred until Mrs Carrick reported back at the next meeting.

c) **Post Office Services**

Concern was expressed that those pensioners who would like to open a Post Office Card Account would not necessarily have any of the means of identification requested. The clerk was asked to write to David Drew on this matter as to how such a system could work. All members agreed that a list of services published in the local Newsletters would be of considerable help to parishioners.

d) **Reply re planning from I Gobey SDC**

The meeting discussed at length their concern that the planning process at SDC was failing in its procedures. Mr Le Fleming was asked if he thought that the eight week response time set for dealing with applications was causing rushed decisions. Mr Brooks cited an example of how a planning decision elsewhere had been challenged by asking for a judicial review, when it was found that the planning procedure followed was faulty. Mr Budgeon agreed to look into the cost to the Parish Council and other implications of a judicial review. The clerk was asked to write again to Mr Gobey expressing concerns on the welfare of planning at SDC and with regard to a judicial review.

03.09 6. **District Council Matters**

Concerning Post Offices Mr Le Fleming suggested that bus passes or pension books could be used as an identifier when applying for an account. Regarding "duty of care" on playing fields Mr Le Fleming was still awaiting a response from M Rowan at SDC.

Mr Le Fleming passed an e-mail to Mr Brooks concerning the sewer leak at Bismore, and asked if perhaps a local surveyor would be able to help SDC and Severn Trent Water identify the source of the leak as this was still undetermined. Mr Brooks agreed to look into it.

Mr Le Fleming said he had been contacted by Mrs Lloyd regarding a picnic bench at Oakridge playing field but understood that Mr Bryant was dealing with this issue. In the absence of Mr Bryant this was deferred until the next meeting.

Mr Davis asked Mr Le Fleming for a review of kerbside recycling after its first year, and if SDC or GCC had any plans to extend the recycling to include all plastics and cardboard. Mr Le Fleming said he would discuss recycling with County Councillor C Fellowes and report back. The clerk was asked to invite a member of SDC environmental contracts team to a subsequent meeting to discuss recycling issues.

03.09 7. **County Council Matters**

There was nothing discussed under this heading.

03.09 8. **Finance**

Receipts August 2003

	<u>£</u>
Bank Interest	18.20
Teeds Rise Improvement Fund	142.58
NPFA (Gift Aid – Bisley Gift)	<u>4230.77</u>
	4391.55

Payments – September 2003

£

VAT

Total

Ian Bullimore (Eastcombe Grass)	29.00
	29.00
D Workman (T Butt & Stroud Farm Services)	
58.48	
	58.48
Rigby Taylor Ltd (Bisley Gift – Football equipment)	
	636.13
	101.21
	737.34
T W Hawkins (grass cutting)	
	583.00
	102.03
	685.03
British Telecomm	
	69.26
	12.12
	81.38
Oakridge Village Hall Trust	
	1000.00
	1000.00
Eastcombe Newsletter (S137)	
	100.00
	100.00
Glos Playing Fields Association (annual Subs)	
	50.00
	50.00
T A Howes (August salary)	55

03.09 9. **Matters for Discussion**

- a) **GCC – grass verges contracts**
Ms Greene reported that the verge from Bisley to Stancombe and beyond was again unwalkable by those who use it regularly. The clerk was asked to contact GCC Highways to cut the verge urgently.
- b) **RUPP's and PROW's**
Mr Brooks and Mr Workman had both examined the maps from the Countryside Agency marking proposed open land. Mr Brooks agreed to make comments on the Council's behalf, including queries on access, quality of the land and if it could change in the future.
Mr Workman raised issues concerning the erection of metal "kissing gates" in the parish by the County Council without having first informed the Parish Council. All members agreed that these were not in character with the local landscape and the clerk was asked to write to the chief executive of GCC raising our concerns.
- c) **GMO's – Draft Statement**
Mr Workman presented a statement which the members agreed and thanked him for. It was agreed to publicise the statement on the Parish website, in the local press and at a meeting of SDC next week.
- d) **Quality Parish Status**
The members thought this a large subject to cover and consequently Mr Budgeon suggested a working group to identify issues that need dealing with. Mr Perkins and Mrs Russell agreed to form the working group with Mr Budgeon and report at a subsequent meeting.
- e) **Rural Grants 2003/4**
The clerk had passed the information and application forms to each ward chairman and would send information to Mr Brooks to be advertised on the website.
- f) **Playing Pitches/Green Spaces Strategy**
The clerk had passed the forms to each playing field warden and would co-ordinate information on receipt and return it to SDC.
- g) **Councilor's Allowances**
The elected councillors were made aware of allowances payable if they so wished.

03.09 10. **Planning**

The following applications have been received during the past month and the Council's responses indicated where received:

SO3/1413 - Frampton Place, Frampton Mansell – Planning application for alterations to existing garden wall & erection of store/greenhouse – Support – this will make an attractive & interesting addition to the property.

SO3/1415 – FramptonPlace – Listed Building application as above – Support

SO3/1518 – Eastcombe Post Office House – Demolition of single storey extension & erection of 2 storey extension – No Observations

SO3/1513 – Mill House, Oakridge Lynch – renewal of S98/1396 for erection of 2 storey extension - Support

03.09 11. **Correspondence**

The following correspondence has been received during the last month and was on the table for inspection.

Countryside Agency
Stroud & District CVS

Compact Working Group
Glos Police Authority

Report

SDC

SDC

Oct

Inspector Neighbourhood Area

2003-09-01 GRCC

Roadshow 22nd Sept

Standards Board for England
officers

Digital Stroud

computing, marketing

Various thank you letters – S137

SDC

Countryside Focus

Newsletter

Meeting on 12th September

Newsletter

Annual Report

Chief Constable's Annual

Waste disposal

Transport Forum Meeting 21st

Minutes of meeting 17th June

Stroud District

Guidance for monitoring

Free courses –

Agenda of meeting 4th Sept

03.09 12. **Ward Matters**

a) **Bisley**

The clerk was asked to contact SDC regarding the proliferation of Japanese Knotweed near the site of the Saxon Cross.

Mr Workman informed the meeting that new football posts had now been received courtesy of the Bisley Gift and that RDS Football Club had moved to the Bisley pitch.

b) **Eastcombe**

In the light of recent enquiries the clerk informed the meeting that any car boot sales taking place on Parish Council grounds, and not directly connected with the Parish Council, should carry their own public liability insurance.

c) **Oakridge**

Mr Davis asked if the clerk could get a specific closure date for Farm Lane for the scheduled drainage works.

Mr Budgeon asked for water fluoridation to be added to next months agenda for discussion.

03.09 13. **Date and Place of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 1st October at Bisley WI Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.40