

**MINUTES OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD at
7.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY 7th JANUARY 2004 at BISLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
HALL**

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

In attendance: District Cllr D Le Fleming
County Cllr Mr C Fellows

2 members of the public were present

04.01 1. **Apologies for Absence**

Mrs J Russell (illness)

04.01 2. **Public Participation**

Public participation was invited and the first speaker commented on the possible provision of a cycle lane on the road that links Bisley with Eastcombe and Bussage, and also Bisley with Stroud. Some costings were put forward for the provision of a white line on the existing carriageway.

Ms Green voiced support for the idea and the clerk was asked to explore the possibilities of funding a feasibility study and of partnership funding for such a scheme.

Mr Bryant commented that he thought this scheme was not feasible due to the minimum width restriction on what is already a narrow road, and provision of a cycle lane would involve land purchase.

The next item raised was the possibility of provision of a sign to indicate the whereabouts of Bisley cemetery, perhaps on the fork at Toadsmoor. This was to be discussed further at the next Bisley Ward meeting.

04.01 3. **Declaration of Interests**

Ms Greene declared a declaration of interests in item 9e) as chair of the Frith Youth Centre.

04.01 4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2003 having been circulated an amendment was agreed to item 6) to add – “that the Parish Council would want to be engaged with the District Council in any planning consultations regarding Windyridge with respect to the planning gain anticipated for Bisley.” The clerk was asked to write to SDC on this matter and it was thought that input from Bisley residents was most important with respect to future plans for Windyridge. Mr Dickens and Mrs Brown as members of the public present expressed a willingness to attend the February Parish Council meeting when Angela Barlow from the Gloucestershire Rural Community Council would speak about Parish Plans. A public meeting may be called after this, if deemed necessary, to discuss Windyridge.

The draft minutes having then been approved were signed by the chairman.

04.01 5. **Matters Arising**

a) **Stancombe Speed Limit**

Ms Green and Mr Perkins agreed to meet J Lindsay and Inspector Pickersgill on 26th January at Stancombe triangle to progress on the speed limit.

b) **Mobile Speed Sign**

The clerk reported that Painswick Parish Council had agreed to a third share in the purchase of a mobile speed sign and was looking into the cost of insurance against theft and vandalism. It was proposed by Mr Brooks that the meeting agree to the purchase of a sign and seconded by Mr Perkins. There was one objection from Mr Davis on cost.

It was therefore carried and the clerk would report back on the cost of insurance and liaise with Mr Brooks on providing more information for Painswick Parish Council with a view to purchase.

c) **Playground Inspections**

A response from GAPTC had been circulated and discussed. Mr Brooks suggested that the clerk send our current inspection policy to the Insurance company for approval whilst awaiting further information from the GPFA.

This was agreed with a view to progressing this matter at the next meeting.

d) **Highways Parish Partnership**

One representative from each ward for a meeting with Y Mulla and A Boyes from GCC was agreed. These were Mrs Russell, Mr Bryant and Mr Perkins. The clerk would arrange some possible dates.

e) **Parking at Thomas Keble School**

The clerk circulated a map showing proposed zigzag lines by GCC Highways on the bend near the school. It was generally thought that this would be better than nothing and the clerk was asked to query the legal status of the zigzags.

04.01 6. **District Council Matters**

- a) District Councillor Le Fleming clarified that the PC was in support of a modification order request for a footpath in Tunley.
- b) A tree felling notification was passed to Mr Brooks along with an order to remove asbestos contaminating a footpath in Toadsmoor.
- c) Regarding the retrospective planning application for uPVC windows and door at Hampstead Buildings; Mr Le Fleming asked if the PC would still oppose this if a condition that they were to remain only for the length of the present occupancy and then be replaced, were put upon any approval. Mr Perkins stated that the PC's objections would still stand.

04.01 7. **County Council Matters**

County Councillor Fellows reported that a major funder of the Coverage Care scheme had withdrawn funding and consequently new funding was being sought from County Council and Government. He said that Coverage Care currently supported 900 homes.

The meeting asked if some information could be provided on how any remaining money from the GCC winter maintenance schedule might be spent. Cllr Fellows would report back on this.

Mr Davis raised the subject of Aston Down under this heading for the input of both County and District Councillors.

Cllr Fellows assured the meeting that in discussions with M Williams (strategic manger for waste disposal), he had been told there were no licences for waste activities at Aston Down. He also indicated that despite closing dates to the contrary, that development was currently halted by the Highways Authority who were undertaking a traffic impact assessment, and this could take up to six months.

A request for an environmental impact assessment had been refused by government.

The meeting agreed that to make informed observations about Aston Down and to discuss further then more information was needed.

The clerk was asked to write to SDC asking about any overall site plan and for details of the planning applications, and timetables involved for any comments to be forwarded.

Also if a public meeting was called the clerk was asked to invite a representative from SDC to attend.

04.01 8. **Finance**

Receipts December 2003

	<u>£</u>
OVHT	765.96
GAPTC Refund	35.00
Aquila Wayleaves	<u>44.40</u>
	845.36

Payments – January 2004	£	VAT	Total
B Bryant (Oakridge Rec Ground)	112.50		112.50
Pipex Communications (Internet)	67.44	11.80	79.24
Wicksteed Leisure (Jubilee fund)	652.05	114.11	766.16
Tony Cullimore (playground bark)	206.85	34.46	241.31
T Banyard (pavilion cleaning)	40.00		40.00
J Toms Ltd (silver jubilee trees)	24.25	4.25	28.50
Npower	6.46	0.32	6.78
Eastcombe Pavilion Fund (cleaning)	360.00		360.00
Carson Contractors Ltd (Oak Vill Hall)	110.00	19.25	129.25
PJ Shutters & Blinds (Oak Vill Hall)	653.00	114.28	767.28
Western Carpet Fitters (Oak Vill Hall)	348.94	61.06	410.00
Ian Ridder Electrical (Oak Vill Hall)	526.97	92.22	619.19
H Brown & Sons (Oak Vill Hall)	1800.00	315.00	2115.00
Electronic imaging solutions (photocopier)	14.52	2.54	17.06
Severn Trent Water	24.63		24.63
Ditto	8.58		8.58
Ditto	19.81		19.81
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T Howes (December salary)	459.65		459.65
Inland Revenue	32.08		32.08
J Davis	25.00		25.00
Petty Cash	30.00		30.00
Total			6311.83

Petty Cash Payments	£74.75
Cash Balance as at 31 st December 2003	£27,028.91
Bisley Gift Balance	£6,436.87
Bisley Lock Up Balance	£1,908.44

04.01 9. **Matters for Discussion**

- a) **Parish Plan**
The clerk informed the meeting that Angela Barlow would attend the February meeting to discuss Parish Plans and would commence at 7.00pm. Public participation would be encouraged.
- b) **Public Rights of Way**

The clerk had received a letter from John Parsons (PROW) to indicate that he would be walking the route known as Tanners Trail and would write with his comments.

It was agreed that the clerk be point of contact for all correspondence regarding the Rights of Way Improvement Plan.

Mr Brooks pointed out that the letter received from Defra said that they are funding a project to rediscover forgotten bridleways, which may be relevant to our parish.

c) **Transport Plan**

This item was deferred.

d) **Councillors Allowances**

The clerk was asked to contact Mike Rowan of SDC to ask if the PC could just continue paying a chairmans's allowance as currently practised.

e) **Frith Youth Centre**

Ms Greene left the meeting whilst this was discussed.

The clerk was asked to write to Mrs Newson in support of the Frith Youth Centre and to ask for details of a specific project that the PC may contribute towards, which could be discussed again in February.

Ms Greene rejoined the meeting.

f) **Eastcombe Scout & Guide Group**

The clerk was asked to write to Eastcombe Scout & Guide Group again asking for a specific project to contribute towards.

04.01 10.

Planning

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

CO339/FUL – Driftcombe, The Scrubs – erection of 2 storey extension

CO335/FUL – Througham Slad Manor – Alterations & additions to existing dwelling & cottage

CO327/LBC – Througham Slad Manor 0 Alterations to existing dwelling & adjacent cottage

CO414/FUL – Todsbridge, Bisley – Erection of extension & installation of dormer window

CO424/COU – Stancombe Farm, Bisley – change of use to outdoor school for horses

CO462/FUL – Butchers Arms, Oakridge – Erection of dwelling & garage

04.01 11. **Correspondence**

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

GRCC	Rural Regeneration Magazine
Local Council Review	Journal
GAPTC	Vacancy on committee – closing date
19 th Jan	
Community Safety	Meeting 28 th Jan
GPFA	Meeting 30 th March & annual report
Allotments regeneration	
Initiative	Meeting 24 th March
CPRE	Appeal for support – copy to all

It was agreed that P Dawes and O Turner attend the GPFA conference on 30th March.

It was agreed that L Greene attend the Allotment Regeneration meeting on 24th March.

There was no representative put forward for the Crime & Disorder meeting on 28th January but the clerk was asked to write and clarify the Parish Council's legal responsibilities under the Crime and Disorder Act. It was agreed the clerk could participate in the visit to the Houses of Parliament on 16th February.

04.01 12. **Ward Matters**

a) **Oakridge**

The clerk was asked to:

- 1) contact GCC Highways regarding the provision of a width restriction sign at the top of Chapel Hill where a lorry had demolished a wall.
- 2) Order the shredder from SDC for the recreation ground at Oakridge
- 3) Request the filling of the grit bins

Mr Budgeon and Mr Davis agreed to liaise on investigating possible funding for wall rebuilding and hedge regeneration and to report back.

b) **Eastcombe**

The clerk was asked to contact Mr Davis regarding the wall repairs at the recreation ground.

The meeting was reminded that the Parish Meeting in April was due to take place at Eastcombe Village Hall and the clerk was asked to book the venue.

c) **Bisley**

The clerk was asked to contact GCC Highways to replace the finger post at Wells Road and BT regarding the outstanding raised cover repair.

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

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 4th February at 7.00pm at Bisley WI Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.40.