MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4th August 2010 AT BISLEY WI VILLAGE HALL

Present:	Mr P Thorp		Chairman
	Ms L Greene Mr P Bradley Mr R Utley	} } }	Bisley Ward
	Mr R K Brooks Mrs V Nairn Mr J Ellis	}]]	Eastcombe Ward
	Mr G Newton Mr R N Budgeon Mr D Hunt	}]]	Oakridge Ward
	Mr P Morris		Clerk

In attendance: County Councillor Mrs J Nash and District Councillor Mr D le Fleming.

10.08 1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Anna Bonallack.

10.08 2. **Declaration of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest declared.

10.08 3. Public Participation

Three members of the public were present, each were involved with the BCCS and thanked the Parish Council for its support in helping to finance the organising of the presentation event when they received The Queen's Award for Volunteer Service from the Lord Lieutenant for Gloucestershire.

They specifically wished to thank our chairman Mr Peter Thorp for all the moral and physical assistance he provided in preparing the venue for the successful event.

The Trophy & Certificate were displayed.

10.08 4 **Ward and Parish Appointments**

The following appointments were agreed by the Parish Council:

Mr Norman MacLeod Snow plough co-ordinator

10.08 5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 7 July 2010 having been circulated to all councillors were approved unanimously and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

10.08 6 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

10.08 7. **District Council Matters**

District Councillor Mr D le Fleming reported to the Meeting on the following issues:

District Councilor's Report to Parish Council 4 Aug 2010

Bisley Community Composting Scheme

Congratulations to the committee on five years successful operation and the presentation on 26 July.

Impact of government expenditure proposals

Members will have seen the government proposals for decentralised, locally driven government and encouragement of what is called 'people power'. It seems there may be scope for community organisations to take over and run (or develop) local projects but the question of funding is of course crucial.

Oakridge Planning Appeal

I understand the appeal relating to Peter's Cottage is to open on 10 August at Ebley Mill.

Planning policy and control in the absence of regional government

I understand the intention is to continue to apply the RSS in conjunction with our existing local planning policies, pending finalisation of the Stroud District Local Development Framework/Core Strategy.

Village Design Statement

Conrad Moore is in touch with Phil Dawes and I understand there is now only one outstanding issue to resolve.

Current matters

I have no significant matters to report from Council or Cabinet meetings this month.

10.08 8 County Council Matters

County Councillor Mrs J Nash reported the following information to the Meeting:

Playbuilder Funding.

Councilor Nash informed the meeting that she had raised the issue of the cancellation of funding for the Eastcombe Play Area and would receive a response by the end of August.

Fire Stations

Four new Fire Stations approved for Gloucestershire, two each for Cheltenham and Gloucester.

Incinerator

Unaware of any decision to date.

10.08 9 Matters for Discussion

a) Planning briefing sessions

The Clerk informed the meeting that three Councillors had been reserved places at the Upton St. Leonards venue on Monday 6th September. However, two further requests had been received after the cheque had been raised to cover the fee of £10 per attendee. A further submission would need to be made.

b) Additional authorised signatories

Four further signatories were approved for the purpose of signing cheques. This would provide cover in the event of Councillors being unavailable for any reason.

c) Appointment of Internal Auditor

The Chairman reported that there had been no progress in appointing an Internal Auditor and requested that Councillors give some thought to suggesting suitable persons and report back at the next meeting.

d) Play builder scheme

Councillor's were very disappointed at the withdrawal of funds for the Eastcombe Play Area and thanked members responsible for all the effort that was made putting the scheme together only to be thwarted at the last moment.

It was agreed that other methods of funding should be considered eg. Lottery Grant.

Eastcombe Ward is to look at funding repairing/upgrading of play area if all else fails.

e) Energy Working Group

Roger Budgeon reported that he was pleased with progress being made.

f) Recycling boxes

It was agreed that an initial stock of 50 boxes would be stored at Holbrook Garage and that this would be monitored.

10.08 10 Finance

Receipts June 2010

Bank Interest	£2.78
Allotment Rents	£58.00
Tennis Court Membership	£45.00
Total Receipts	£105.78

The following payments were approved by the Parish Council

	£	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
T W Hawkins –Grass Cutting	£1,545.00	£270.38	£1815.38
BT	£98.43	£17.22	£115.65
BT	£120.91	£21.15	£142.06
Bisley Computency	£49.50		£49.50
Moles Services – Burial Grounds	£300.00		£300.00
Unipar Services – Repair to speed sign	£242.83	£42.50	£285.33
Carson Contractors - BCCS	£250.00	£43.75	£293.75
Ian Trueman	£529.50		£529.50
Dell Inc – New Laptop	£467.23	£81.77	£549.00
GAPTC – Planning Course	£30.00		£30.00
E F Pike – Internal Auditor	£120.00		£120.00
Playground Services – Repair Windyridge	£650.00	£113.75	£763.75
Npower – Bisley Pavillion	£106.94	£5.35	£112.29
D Holbrow – Maintenance Eastcombe	£94.80		£94.80
Bisley Fencing	£635.00	£111.12	£746.12

D Richards	£96.00		£96.00
Cotswold Skip Hire - BCCS	£185.00		£185.00
Clerk Salary – July 2010	£852.77		£852.77
HMRC – Tax & NI	£215.33		£215.33
Totals	£6589.24	£706.99	£7296.23

Petty Cash Payments – July 2010	£60.66
Cash Balance as at 30 July 2010	£28321.07
Bisley Lock-up Balance as at 30 July 2010 Westbury Gift Balance as at 30 July 2010-	£2,138.50 £10,000.00
Parish Office Reserve as at 30 July 2010	£17,000.00
Bisley Pavilion Reserve as at 30 July 2010	£4,141.38
Capital Projects Reserve as at 30 July 2010	£4,750.00

10.08 11 **Planning**

No Planning Applications have been received during the past month.

Councilors to enquire why no report received from SDC on Planning Application responses.

Road at Spring Bank Tunley. Number of complaints regarding erection of fence has narrowed road and made it impossible for cars to pass. Clerk to write to Highways relating to these complaints and requesting an update on situation.

10.08 12 **Correspondence**

The following correspondence received during the past month was available for inspection by Councillors:

Gloucestershire Local Transport Plan

Gloucestershire Police Authority Annual Report

Gloucestershire CC Environment Directorate – Road safety improvement

War Memorial Trust

Time & Place – working to save young lives on the road

10.08 13 Ward Matters

a) Bisley Ward

Bisley Ward had no matters to report that were not covered elsewhere in the meeting.

b) Eastcombe Ward

Ward chair requested Clerk to review and update 'Freedom of Information Act' ref. Parish Council

c) Oakridge Ward

Pavilion project moving forward – new quotes in progress.

Councilors had received several complaints from Parishioners regarding the erection of a fence at 'Springbank' Tunley. This has caused a narrowing of the highway and made it impossible for vehicles to pass. The Clerk was requested to write to Gloucestershire Highways informing them of our concerns and requesting their official response.

10.08 14 **Date and Place of Next Meeting**

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in Bisley WI Village Hall on Wednesday 1st September 2010, commencing at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 20.50 hours.