

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2011
AT BISLEY WI VILLAGE HALL**

Present:

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| Mr R Utley | Chairman |
| Lesley Greene | } Bisley Ward |
| Mr P Thorp | |
| Mr R K Brooks | } Eastcombe Ward |
| Mrs V Nairn | |
| Anna Bonallack | |
| Mr J Ellis | |
| Mr R N Budgeon | } Oakridge Ward |
| Mr G Newton | |
| Mr M Bell | |
| Mr P M Morris | Clerk |

In attendance: District Councillor Mr D le Fleming.
One member of the Public also attended.

- 11.11 1 **Election of Chairman**
Following the resignation of Mr P Thorp as Chairman, Council members wished to record their appreciation of his hard work and leadership for more than 3 years.
Councillor R Budgeon proposed Councillor R Utley as the new Chairman; this was seconded by Councillor R K Brooks and was unanimously approved by Councillors present. Councillor R Utley accepted the position and thanked members for their confidence in appointing him as Chairman.
- 11.11 2 **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies for absence were received from Mr D Hunt, Mr P Bradley and County Councillor Mrs J Nash. An apology was also received from Village Agent Ching Lin.
- 11.11 3 **Declaration of Interests**
Mr R Utley declared an interest in item 10 – receipt of cheque as reimbursement of items purchased on behalf of Bisley Ward. Also Cheque for payment to work completed at Bisley Pavilion in his capacity as a Plumber. Mr Utley vacated the meeting whilst this payment was discussed.

- 11.11 4 **Public Participation**
There was no participation by the member of the public attending the Meeting.
- 11.11 5 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 5 October having been circulated to all councillors were approved unanimously and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.
- 11.11 6 **Matters Arising**
Oakridge Precept now received.
- 11.11 7 **District Council Matters**
A copy of District Councillor Mr D le Fleming's report to the meeting is at Annex A to these Minutes.
- 11.11 8 **County Council Matters**
In the absence of County Councillor Mrs J Nash, there was no report submitted.
- 11.11 9 **Matters for Discussion**
- a) Photovoltaic Panels Parish Pavilions**
New feed in tariffs completely negate previous calculations. Energy Group to recalculate but still to apply for Grant to avoid deadline. Energy Group to acquire tenders for supply and installation.
- b) Funding for Photovoltaic Panels**
This item withdrawn, considered as covered within previous item.
- c) Neighbourhood Warden**
It was considered that that this service had not lived up to expectations and it was agreed that the contract would not be renewed in January 2012.
- d) Post Box Tunley**
The Clerk reported he had been informed by the Post Office that the Post Box was to be reinstated. Councillors requested the Clerk write a letter to Mr Airton thanking him for his research which provided valuable information to demonstrate to the Post Office that they had made a gross error of judgement by removing the box originally.
- e) Trees and Allotments**
Bisley and Oakridge reported that they intended to plant trees to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee. These trees would be supplied free by the Woodlands Trust.

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Finance

Financial Statement

Receipts October 2011

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| Bank Interest | £ 3.17 |
| Bisley Cricket Club | £100.00 |
| Tennis Court Fees | £ 15.00 |
| Total Receipts | <u>£118.17</u> |

The following payments were approved by the Parish Council

| | £ | VAT | Total |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Charity of the Ancient Parish of Bisley | 50.00 | | 50.00 |
| BT Internet Services | 45.00 | 9.00 | 54.00 |
| CIX Online Ltd | 67.44 | 13.49 | 80.93 |
| GCC – School Triangle road marking | 740.00 | | 740.00 |
| Severn Trent – Oakridge Allotments | 178.70 | | 178.70 |
| Severn Trent – Windyridge Allotments | 193.31 | | 193.31 |
| Severn Trent – Eastcombe Allotments | 117.35 | | 117.35 |
| JNC (Fire Protection) Ltd Oakridge Pav. | 22.95 | 4.59 | 27.54 |
| R Utley Plumber – Fittings Bisley Pav. | 8.80 | | 8.80 |
| R Utley – Play Area Maint. – Bisley | 133.38 | 26.18 | 159.56 |
| Clerks salary – September 2011 | 758.51 | | 758.51 |
| HMRC – Tax & NI | 257.04 | | 257.04 |
| I Trueman – Strimming Eastcombe | 63.00 | | 63.00 |
| I Trueman – Teeds Hill Bisley | 120.00 | | 120.00 |
| GAPTC – Training Course M Bell | 80.00 | | 80.00 |
| Wicksteed | 820.20 | 164.04 | 984.24 |
| Totals | 3,655.68 | 217.30 | 3,872.98 |

Petty Cash Payments – October 2011 £51.46

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| Cash Balance as at 31 October 2011 | £43,419.17 |
| Bisley Lock-up Balance as at 31 October 2011 | £2,139.83 |
| Westbury Gift Balance as at 31 October 2011 | £10,000.00 |
| Parish Office Reserve as at 31 October 2011 | £17,000.00 |
| Bisley Pavilion Reserve as at 31 October 2011 | £1,266.38 |
| Capital Projects Reserve as at 31 October 2011 | £9,250.00 |

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Planning

Planning Applications

Bisley

S.11/1992/TCS - The Old Mansion Far Wells Road Bisley GL6 7AQ - Works to beech/ash/sycamore - Support

S.11/1873/FUL - Parlour Farm Bisley Road Bisley GL6 7NH - Creation of Access to Business Units – Support

Oakridge

S.11/1901/HHOLD - Frampton Cottage Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7NY Description: Extension to provide additional floor area to bedroom & en-suite. – Support

S.11/2060/HHOLD - Puck Mill Farm Frampton Mansell, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 8JQ. Proposed replacement of existing ancillary building (garage/store) with building comprising of garage and home office / study above - Support - Reasons / Comments: We support the application, we particularly support the home/office as we support the principle of jobs/employment within the parish. It is important to have locally based business.
We also support the construction materials and the reuse of the tiles from the old building.

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Correspondence

CPRE Newsletter
The Playing Fields Association Newsletter
Clerks & Councils Direct
Bisley WI Village Hall – request to nominate Parish Council representative on Committee. It was agreed that Mr P Thorp should retain this position.
Mr P Thorp letter of resignation as Chairman.

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Ward Matters

a) Bisley Ward

The Clerk had received a request from an Art Student at Cheltenham University to feature the Bisley Lock up in a film production. Permission was granted.

b) Eastcombe Ward

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

c) Oakridge Ward

The Pavilion roof was now weatherproof and members were looking forward to the new Clock being placed in the tower. The cost of the clock (£450.00) has been covered by a generous Parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous

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Date and Place of Next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in Bisley WI Village Hall on Wednesday **7th December** commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

ANNEX A TO

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES November 2011

District Councillor's Report to Parish Council November 2011

Planning Scheme of Delegation

The rights of the Parish Council representative may require some further discussion. The proposal is that only DCC members, Council officers, and the Ward councillor can attend site meetings. As previously mentioned, the applicant, supporters, opposers and the Parish Council representative will be able to attend and speak at DCC meetings.

Councillors remain concerned regarding Planning representation not being permitted to attend site meetings. It was agreed that a letter confirming these concerns be written to Barbara Tait.

Canal Restoration

Further to my report last month, the report on progress of the canal project (including Brimscombe Port) can be found on the SDC website (www.stroud.gov.uk) in the minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 22 Sept 11.

Expanding Use of Renewable Energy/New Build Programme of Council Housing

Further to my report last month, details of the proposals made to the Cabinet meeting on 22 September relating to:

- using Feed in Tariffs to fund improvements in the efficiency of council homes and protect tenants from fuel poverty
 - new build housing using renewable energy/energy efficiency schemes
- can be found in the minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 22 Sep (as above).

Local News

Information has been published recently on:

Tourism: The Cotswold Tourism Local Assessment Scheme, which is designed to improve standards of accommodation in the County; also plans for the Stroud Special Tourist Train.

Museum at Stratford Park: there are plans to reopen the walled garden at Stratford Park

I can obtain further details if required.

Graffiti Removal Service: the Council has a service for removal of graffiti: the contact is Chris Acock on 07811 263075

Daniel le Fleming
Nov 2011