

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2014 AT BISLEY WI
VILLAGE HALL**

Present:

Jane Walker	}	Bisley Ward
Mr R K Brooks	}	
Peter Nairn	}	Eastcombe Ward
	}	
Mike Bell	}	
Dennis Robbins	}	Oakridge Ward
Roger Budgeon	}	
Mr P M Morris		Clerk

In the absence of Mr Roger Utley the meeting was chaired by Mr Bob Brooks.

County Councillor Jason Bullingham and District Councillor Tim Williams were also in attendance.

14. 11 1. **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies for absence were received from Roger Utley, Shelagh Utley, John Mulligan, Rachel Walker and Sarah Maingot.
14. 11 2. **Declaration of Interests**
Dennis Robbins declared an interest in items 6c and 9e..
14. 11 3. **Public Participation**
There were seven members of the public and two members of the local Constabulary in attendance.
- Sergeant T Moss informed the meeting that he had received a complaint regarding a resident parking on the junction of the High Street and Wells Road in Bisley. The resident had been informed that he was causing an obstruction and agreed to park elsewhere in the future.
- Several members of the public wished to register their concerns regarding Planning applications S.14/2205/FUL and S.14/2190/FUL
- The Chairman explained that both these applications were included on the Meeting Agenda and would be discussed by Councillors later.

14. 11 4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 1 October 2014**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 1 October 2014 having been circulated to all councillors were approved unanimously and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

14. 11 5. **Matters arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes

14. 11 6. **Agree Parish Council response to the following Planning Applications**

S.14/2205/FUL

Officer Responsible: Humphrey Mpezeni

Property Address: Little Sherwood Tunley, Sapperton, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 6LW

Description: Demolition of existing dwelling and garage and erection of a replacement dwelling with double garage.

Decision: **2 Object**

Reasons / Comments: This proposal changes the scale of the dwelling in the woodland making it much bigger and therefore giving it much more of a presence in woodland.

This proposal for a replacement house does not fit the size criteria laid down in the NPPF or the Local Plan for a replacement house. The larger house will have obvious increase traffic movements and more human activity on and around the site. Having said that the impact from the human prospective is not great because it is the wooded area but the impact on the flora and fauna could be much greater so we feel that a plan should be sought to minimise this impact. The Forestry Commission and Natural England expressed a view that much effort needed to be put into mitigation of the development impact and we do feel a landscape plan should be part of the proposal.

We consider that on balance we would not object to the size of the development, more to its lack of acknowledgement of the fact that it is in a woodland setting so a visual design/plan accepting/welcoming the wild setting is essential - again a landscape plan should be included.

The development is adjacent to a listed building and harm to this setting should be considered and mitigated for.

The one issue that is not clear on the proposal is the levels and datum point, this needs to be clarified and then a decision can be made. We suggest that if the datum zero brings the main floor to the same height as the existing bungalow floor that would be clear and acceptable. The finish roof height needs to be clear compared the Listed Building next door.

Greater advantage could be taken with the topography and building finished heights if it is moved further west but this is encroaching further into "nature's territory", so a compromise and an accurate consideration of the levels would help consideration of this point.

The reality is that something is going to change on this site and most of this proposal is OK, it just needs the levels clarifying and the landscape plan completing.

Interests declared: No

S.14/2152/FUL

Officer Responsible: Humphrey Mpezeni

Property Address: New House at Fennells Farm, Lypiatt, Stroud, Gloucestershire.

Description: Relocation of existing portal-framed barn.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

Interests declared: No

S.14/2190/FUL

Officer Responsible: Sarah Crawley

Property Address: Broadway, The Broadway, Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7NX

Description: Erection of new dwelling

Decision: 2 **Object**

Reasons / Comments: We object to the proposal on the following grounds:- 1. The design using the timber cladding on half the elevations does not give continuity with this building or the surrounding buildings, it does not complement them either, because it is close on a confined plot it clashes badly. The design is not local vernacular, outstandingly new, or even low impact.

2. The plot is small and gives the appearance of a house crammed in. The splitting of the plot of land from the original house leaves both plots smaller than those of the surrounding houses and makes the new dwelling look out of place.

3. The position compromises the vista of the listed building to the east.

4. The proposed access across the verge and on the "green space" splay to the footpath will compromise the local amenity.

Interests declared: Yes

Details of any interests declared: One councillor, Dennis Robbins declined to take part in any discussion about this proposal.

S.14/2268/FUL

Officer Responsible: Sarah Carruthers

Property Address: Access Track, Middle Lypiatt, Stroud, Gloucestershire.

Description: Creation of new access track and hard standing to serve barn

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: We find no planning grounds on which to object to this application, but are puzzled to see that work on constructing this track appears to be underway already, before the planning application has been decided.

Interests declared: No

S14/2304/TCA

Officer Responsible: Mark Hemming

Property Address: Beam Ends, Eastcombe

Description: Tree removal

Decision: 1 **No observations**

Interests declared: No

S.14/2313/HHOLD

Officer Responsible: Sarah Carruthers

Property Address: 2 Church Hill, Bisley, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7AB

Description: Erection of summerhouse (to replace garden shed)

Decision: 3 **Support**

Interests declared: No

14. 11 7. **County Council Matters - (Councillor Jason Bullingham)**

A copy of County Councillor Mr J Bullingham's report to the meeting is at Annex A to these Minutes

14. 11 8 **District Council Matters – (Councillor Tim Williams)**

A copy of District Councillor Mr T Williams's report to the meeting is at Annex B to these Minutes..

14. 11 9. **Matters for Discussion**

a) **The John Taylor Foundation**

No volunteers to accept appointment as trustee.

b) **Report to Gloucestershire Environmental Trust**

Report approved. .

c) **Grass cutting Oakridge Churchyard.**

Graduate Gardeners quote was approved for 2015/16 season.

d) **Reclassify Byway at Bismore to Ferris Court**

Agreed to support Byway to be open to all Traffic. Clerk to inform GCC.

e) **Grass cutting Oakridge Allotments**

R H Attwood was awarded the contract.

f) **Transfer archived documentation to new location.**

It was agreed to transfer archived documents to Eastcombe Village Hall and an annual rent of £25 for the room was approved.

g) **Eastcombe Bus Service**

Stagecoach to impose changes to timetable and monitor.

Cotswold Green Bus Company have agreed to run a once per day return service from Eastcombe to Stroud, The Parish Council wishes to place on record its gratitude to Gloucestershire County Council for its support of this new service.

14. 11 10 **Finance**

Payments for November 2014

The following payments were approved by the Parish Council

Cost code	Details	£	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
4020	BT – Broadband	39.00	7.80	46.80
4460	ST Water – Oakridge Pavilion	137.87		137.87
4000	Clerk’s Salary – April 2014	819.77		819.77
4000	HMRC – Tax & NI	239.22		239.22
4405	RH Attwood - Grass cutting Oakridge	187.50		
4400	Grass cutting Burial Ground	107.14	80.07	480.42
4250	Grass cutting Teeds Rise	105.71		
4410	ST Water - Oakridge Allotments	107.15		
4410	Far Oakridge Allotments	74.90		182.05
	Town & Country Ground Maint.- Supply & fit			

4330	new Post and modify gate-Eastcombe Allt.	230.00		230.00
4030	CIX Online – Web services	67.44	13.49	80.93
4315	ST Water – Eastcombe Allotments	61.95		61.95
4201	Richings Contractors – Repair Drain	360.00	72.00	432.00
4425	JNC Fire Protection Ltd – Oakridge Pav.	28.85	5.77	34.62
4201	K Harris – Cleaning Bisley Pavilion	159.00		159.00
4201	R Utley – Light switch Bisley Pavilion	7.99		
4008	County records Office copy doc's	7.50		
4008	Mileage expenses	26.56		
4008	Car Parking	3.00		45.05
4320	I Trueman – Strimming Eastcombe	45.00		45.00
4055	J B Joinery – Bournes Green Notice Board	400.00	80.00	480.00
4201	Viking – Cleaning materials Bisley Pav.	30.73		
4037	Flash Drives - Admin.	14.77	9.10	54.60
4036	Viking – Monitor – Admin	121.26	24.25	145.51
4405	RH Attwood – Grass cutting Oakridge	187.50		
4400	Grass cutting Burial Ground	107.14	58.93	353.57
	Totals	3,676.95	351.41	4,028.36

14. 11 11. **Correspondence**

The following items of correspondence had been received since the last meeting:

Clerks & Councils Direct
 Stroud & District Motor Club
 CPRE – Countryside Voice & Fieldwork

14. 11 12 **Ward Matters**

Bisley Ward.

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

Eastcombe Ward

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

Oakridge Ward

Damage to Solar Panel on Pavilion roof to be replaced weather permitting.

Each of the Wards submitted their proposed Precept figures to the Clerk.

14. 11 13 **Date and Place of Next Meeting**

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in Bisley WI Village Hall on Wednesday **3rd December 2014** commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

ANNEX A TO

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES NOVEMBER 2014

County Councillors Monthly Report - October 2014

Free NHS Health Check

Gloucestershire residents are being urged to take advantage of a free NHS Health Check to ensure their heart is in good condition and to avoid becoming a victim of a silent killer.

Heart disease often has no symptoms so can develop unnoticed, but a health check available to people aged between 40 and 74, tests for risk factors for the condition as well as diabetes, kidney disease, stroke and dementia. The health check calculates each person's individual risk of developing heart disease and a health worker will offer advice and support about how to reduce this risk and improve or maintain the person's health. Treatment or medication can be offered if necessary but often the risks can be improved by making one or two changes to diet or lifestyle.

A recent poll carried out by the British Heart Foundation found that many adults are unaware of the risk factors for CHD, which is responsible for more than 74,000 deaths across the UK every year. The main symptoms of CHD include chest pain, heart attacks and heart failure and contributing factors are high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes and smoking.

People aged between 40 and 74 without a pre-existing heart condition or risk factor (such as diabetes or high blood pressure) can expect to receive a letter from their GP, once every five years, inviting them to undergo an NHS Health Check. Those who have not received a letter yet can expect to be sent one over the next few years and we would urge them to take up the opportunity. If concerned, people can contact their GP practice to find out when they will be called.

For more information on free NHS Health Checks visit

www.nhs.uk/Conditions/nhs-health-check/Pages/NHS-Health-Check.aspx

Gloucestershire Food Waste

Gloucestershire will now be using the latest technology to treat food waste and turn it into green energy. This month the county council has signed a new contract with Andigestion Ltd who is building a new anaerobic digestion waste facility at Wingmoor Farm near Bishop's Cleeve.

Since 2008 Gloucestershire County Council has been treating food and garden waste and now treats around 22,500 tonnes each year, collected from homes by the county's district councils.

As well as producing bio fertiliser which can be used on local farms, the facility, due to open in spring 2015, will turn recycled food waste into green energy. Anaerobic digestion uses the sort of bacteria that exist naturally in the sediment of lakes and ponds to break down organic waste. It also creates

energy in the form of gas and electricity that will be enough to power over 3,000 homes.

The new food waste treatment facility is part of a bigger plan to manage Gloucestershire's waste in a more environmentally friendly and cost effective way including the proposed energy from waste facility at Javelin Park which would stop a further 150,000 tonnes of household waste going to landfill once we've reduced, reused and recycled as much as possible. Because anaerobic digestion is best suited to food waste, a separate new contract has been awarded to MF Bennion Ltd for mixed food and garden waste collected from the Cotswolds and processed at Rosehill Farm, Dymock. Here bio fertiliser is produced for use on local farmland and is also available to purchase at the Household Recycling Centres. These two new contracts will continue to prevent food waste ending up in landfill.

Those living in Gloucester, Cheltenham, the Forest of Dean and Tewkesbury can now line their food caddies with plastic carrier bags as well as corn starch bags or paper. Residents' collection services will remain the same. The difference will be made when waste leaves a household then goes on to be recycled in the most effective, sustainable and environmentally friendly way.

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ANNEX B TO

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES November 2014

District Councillor's Monthly Report October 2014

There were three items that concerned our area on the agenda:

1. **Carbon management programme update.**
2. **Review of dog waste bins in the area**
3. **Multi-service contract: Ubico service delivery option.**

Carbon management programme update.

The committee was to resolve:

- To recognise the achievements and performance to date.
- To consider the future programme, capital costs, revenue and carbon saving.
- To create task and finish group to consider the integration of the broader carbon management programme with the work on new build and retrofit in tenant services with a combined energy strategy.
- To maintain our existing eco-management and audit system registration and use the requirement to produce an annual environmental statement to report progress against our environmental delivery plans.
- To include (as part of the environment committee budget set out for 2015/16 to be recommended to the strategy and resources committee as a budget proposal) £30,000 of salary and other savings from the environmental health budget to fund the continued provisions of the home energy advice and support programmes in the district.

The CMP is an internal management document. Monthly officer meetings take place to review progress and to discuss further action.

Decision: Unanimous vote.

Review of dog-waste bins in the area

The council were deciding whether to adopt a suitable protocol for the future of dog waste management.

A consultation with the public spaces manager recommended that litterbins be used in replace of the certain dog bins to increase the amount around the district. Equally if there were dog bins in the same location as a litter bin it would then be removed.

The reason behind this was:

'The council does not have a statutory responsibility to provide dog waste bins and in the current financial climate is it considered prudent to review other options for the waste to reduce the rising costs.... There is no allocation for the provision of dog bins, with the cost of waste collection met from the existing budget'

The proposals aim was to peg costs of dog waste collection whilst also increasing the available bins for dog owners. The dog waste was identified as

going into the same landfill `s other waste as well as also being collected by the same Lorries as litter and domestic waste.

A question was asked regarding collection of certain bins not purchased by the District. The response was that if the parish council wants to buy additional bins, the district would still pick up the collection costs.

The options for the council to advise on were: 1) any bin will do 2) remove dog bins located near litter bins 3) remain with the status quo.

In fact none of these options were chosen and in the end the decision was made to suspend a decision awaiting evidence based on the question- are these indeed the most cost effective way of collection whilst maintaining the public's access to bins?

It was agreed that within 6 months a review would take place and a report made regarding other viable options.

Multi-service contract: Ubico service delivery option

The decision was to set out the terms and implications of the council becoming a shareholder in Ubico Ltd in the event that the council makes a decision to place a contract for delivery of its refuse collection, recycling street cleansing, litter collection, grounds maintenance and building cleaning as of July 2016.

Two decisions were to be made;

1. Concluding from the last meeting- the council becoming a shareholder.
2. To approve the governing principles set out in paragraphs 3,4, and 5 of the report. (Terms of acquiring a share/ membership of the company/withdrawal from the company in the future)

Decision: Motion carried

Timothy E R Williams

District Councillor of the Bisley Ward