

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5 AUGUST 2015 AT BISLEY WI
VILLAGE HALL**

Present:	Mr Roger Utley	Chairman
	Jane Walker	}
	Shelagh Utley	}
	John Mulligan	}
	Mr R K Brooks	}
	Peter Nairn	}
	Mike Bell	}
	Roger Budgeon	}
	Mr P M Morris	Clerk

In Attendance:

Eight members of the public were in attendance

The Chairman opened the meeting by announcing that Sarah Maingot had resigned as a Parish Councillor and would therefore not be attending this or future meetings.

15. 08 1. **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies for absence were received Dennis Robbins and Rachel Wright.
15. 08 2. **Declaration of Interests**
There were no declarations of interest.
15. 08 3. **Public Participation**
Two members of the public presented the case for support from the Parish Council for vehicular access to Blandfords Cottage, Oakridge.
Two members of the public requested the Councils support in objecting to vehicular access to Blandfords Cottage, Oakridge..
15. 08 4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 3 June 2015**
The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 1 July 2015 having been circulated to all councillors were approved unanimously and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.
15. 08 5. **Matters arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings**
Severn Trent Water had re-routed the water supply to the private property bordering the King V car park and made a commitment

to repair the tarmac. The Chairman expressed the Parish Council's gratitude to the householder for his co-operation in resolving this issue.

15. 08 6. **Agree Parish Council response to the following Planning Applications**

a) S.15/1557/TPO

Property Address - The Paddocks Middle Hill, Eastcombe, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7DR

Description: Prune lower branches of one Lime Tree.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

b) S.15/1584/TCA

Property Address: 1 Cotswold Cottages, Eastcombe, Stroud, Gloucestershire

Description: T1 Goat Willow - Fell

Decision: 1 **No observations**

c) S.15/1661/TCA

Property Address: All Saints Church, Church Hill, Bisley, Gloucestershire

Description: T1 Yew tree - Prune to give 2m clearance around Lichgate to protect structure.

T2 Lime & T3 Yew trees - Crown raise to 5m on side overhanging garden.

T4 Lime tree - Crown raise to 5m over garden and remove basal epicormic growth.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

Interests declared: Yes

Details of any interests declared: This application is made by the Parish Clerk on behalf of Bisley-with-Lypiatt Parish Council, which is responsible for the maintenance of the All Saints' Churchyard.

d) S.15/1550/HHOLD

Property Address: Nydene, Wells Road, Eastcombe, Stroud

Description: Single storey extension

Decision: 1 **No observations**

e) S.15/1563/HHOLD

Property Address: St Michaels Cottage Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7NZ

Description: New garage and store.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

f) S.15/1606/HHOLD

Property Address: Penn House, Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire

Description: Revised application in relation to S.14/2810/HHOLD & S.14/2811/LBC for material change (concrete tiles to natural slate tiles).

Decision: 3 **Support**

g) S.15/1607/LBC

Property Address: Penn House, Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire.

Description: Revised application in relation to S.14/2810/HHOLD & S.14/2811/LBC for material change (concrete tiles to natural slate tiles).

Decision: 3 **Support**

h) S.15/1609/HHOLD

Property Address: Windmill Cottage, Througham, The Camp, Stroud

Description: Erection of oak framed double garage with home office in the loft.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

i) S.15/1425/HHOLD

Property Address: 1 Swedale, Bisley Road, Stancombe, Bisley

Description: Replacement of timber with Hardie weather board

Decision: 3 **Support**

j) S.15/1426/HHOLD

Property Address: 2 Swedale, Bisley Road, Stancombe, Bisley

Description: Replacement of timber with Hardie weather board

Decision: 3 **Support**

k) S.15/1641/HHOLD

Property Address: Lyday House Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7NU

Description: Erection of extension to include new porch and replacement conservatory.

Decision: 3 **Support**

l) S.15/1642/LBC

Property Address: Lyday House Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7NU

Description: Erection of extension to include new porch and replacement conservatory.

Decision: 3 **Support**

m) S.15/1679/HHOLD

Property Address: Priests Hollow, Calfway Lane, Bisley, Stroud

Description: Construction of an open sided car port.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

n) S.15/1711/FUL

Property Address: Paul Mead, Wells Road, Bisley, Stroud
Description: Proposed new dwelling and associated landscaping
Decision: 2 **Object**

Reasons / Comments: 1. The proposed development breaches the Settlement Boundary but does not comply with Policy HN10 of the extant Local Plan.

2. The proposed development is located in the Bisley Conservation Area and should therefore comply with Policy BE5 of the extant Local Plan. The use of timber cladding and raised seam zinc roofing in the design is not compatible with adjacent buildings, particularly given the proximity to the Central Core of the Conservation Area, where the buildings are overwhelmingly of Cotswold stone construction with stone tiled roofs. This building will also be clearly visible from a number of vantage points around the village and the mismatch in materials will be striking.

o) S.15/1768/TCA

Property Address: Stonecroft, High Street, Bisley, Stroud
Description: T1- Piptosporum Tenuifolium- Fell to ground level.
Decision: 1 **No observations**

15. 08 7. **County Council Matters - (Councillor Jason Bullingham)**

Councillor Bullingham's report to the meeting is at Annex A to these Minutes

15. 08 8 **District Council Matters – (Councillor Tim Williams)**

Councillor Tim Williams report to the meeting is at Annexe B to these Minutes.

15. 08 9 **Finance**

Payments for August 2015

The following payments were approved by the Parish Council

Cost code	<u>Details</u>	£	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
4020	BT – Broadband	46.50	9.30	55.80
4008	R Utley – Invoice 1			
4008	Mileage expenses	16.65		
4261	Play eqpt. to Horsley recycling	9.90		
4262	Fencing Parts	5.38	1.08	
4037	Printer Paper	9.35		
	Invoice 2			
4008	Mileage expenses	2.25		

4210	Bonfire debris to Horsley recycling	9.90		
4210	Progreen Ltd – KGV Playing Field Maint.	118.71	23.74	
4262	Stroud Farm Services – Gate Catch W/ridge	3.73	0.74	201.43
4455	B & S Chains – Spares for Oakridge Play Equipment.	22.44	4.49	26.93
4000	Clerk's Salary	837.44		846.44
4230	Land Registry enquiry x 3	9.00		
4000	HMRC – Tax & NI	245.10		245.10
4201	K Harris – Cleaning Bisley Pavilion	99.00		99.00
4005	Viking – Paper Shredder	96.97	19.39	116.36
4050	R H Attwood – Grass cutting Playing Fields	359.17		
4221	Bisley Allotments	30.00		
4250	Teeds Rise	54.17		
4405	Oakridge Footpaths & Waterlane	128.75		
4421	Oakridge Allotments	60.00		
4400	Oakridge Burial Ground	62.50	138.92	833.51
	Totals	2,226.91	197.66	2,424.57

15. 08 10 **Matters for Discussion**

a) Healthwatch Gloucestershire

Councillors elected to decline the offer of a presentation.

b) Tree Hazard Survey

The quotation from Tree Maintenance to update the Parish tree survey was approved.

c) County Archives Office

An appeal from the County Archives Office for a donation of £500 was agreed.

d) Fibre-Optic Broadband

The Chairman reported an article in the Bisley News claiming that Bisley “has been led up the garden path” over the promised upgrade to fibre-optic broadband. The article quoted a letter from the BT Fibre Enquiries Team which stated that properties whose telephone lines were connected directly to their local exchange, instead of via a roadside cabinet (i.e. most of the houses in and around Bisley village), would not be included in the rollout of fibre-optic broadband.

This appeared to be a statement of BT's policy relating to the company's own fibre-optic rollout programme. It was not the policy of the Fastershire project, which was a joint undertaking by Gloucestershire and Herefordshire County Councils to bring fibre-optic broadband to at least 90% of homes in the two counties. The Broadband Campaign Officer at Gloucestershire

County Council had clarified that work to upgrade the Bisley telephone exchange was expected to begin in November 2015 and that fibre-optic broadband would be made available to most properties in the locality.

e) Access to Blandfords Cottage

The owners of Blandfords Cottage had asked the Parish Council to support their campaign to establish a right of vehicular access to the property. Following a Freedom of Information request by the Parish Council, Gloucestershire County Council had supplied copies of all the documents it held relating to this matter. Included in these documents was a letter written by the County Council's Network Manager on 15 May 2015 which stated that none of the information supplied to the County Council had made a conclusive case for vehicular access to the property. It was therefore clear that, unless the Parish Council could provide new information on the matter, it would serve no purpose for the Parish Council to become involved. It was agreed that the Council held no new information and that it would not join the debate.

15. 08 11

Correspondence

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

Allotment & Gardener
Countryside Voice
Cobalt Unit – Summer 2015 Projects
University of the 3rd Age
Letter from Bisley All Saints Church Treasurer thanking the Parish Council for its financial support regarding the grass cutting of the Church Yard.

15. 07 12

Ward Matters

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

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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 2nd **September 2015** commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

ANNEX A TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES AUGUST 2015

County Councillors Monthly Report - July 2015

Mobile Phone Coverage Across Gloucestershire

Gloucestershire County Council will look into ways they can help local people get better phone connections in rural areas.

At a full council meeting county councillors passed a unanimous motion to investigate how mobile phone companies can provide increased coverage across Gloucestershire.

Councillors agreed that improvements to phone signals in hard to reach areas could avoid isolation, make it easier for people to make contact with emergency services and support rural businesses.

The council's Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee have been tasked to carry out the work.

Bid To Bring More Power To Gloucestershire

County councillors have backed a motion to bring greater resources and responsibility from Whitehall in London back to Gloucestershire.

At a full council meeting county councillors unanimously agreed to continue to work with district councils, the NHS, police and other key partners to prepare and present a devolution proposal to government.

The bill of devolution is an opportunity for Gloucestershire to take greater control for its public services based on what people need and want. The county would have more responsibility over social care and health spending, local transport networks, business rates and education and infrastructure.

For the past few months, the council has been talking to its district partners about what services they would like to see devolved and yesterday's vote cemented cross-party support for the move.

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ANNEX B TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES AUGUST 2015

District Councillors Monthly Report - August 2015

Council Meeting Thursday 16th July.

It sought to accept the recommended housing provision figures of at least 11,400 dwellings between 2006-2031 in the local plan that was advised by the local planning inspectorate.

As the Council does not have a statutory responsibility to provide dog waste bins, a report was submitted to the Council to review available options to both reduce existing costs and to prevent rising costs in the future.

For our ward, six bins will be affected, each owned by Bisley-with-Lypiatt Parish Council.

It is important to note that, in addition to 415 dog waste bins, there are a further 1500 litter bins across the District. Following changes to waste legislation, it is now deemed acceptable for those litter bins to also be utilised for disposal of bagged dog waste. Furthermore, dog owners may also take bagged dog waste home with them and dispose of it in their normal household refuse.

Where damaged or stolen Council-owned dog waste bins are reported, a review of the need for that bin will be undertaken. Where no absolute need for the bin exists, for example where a suitable litter bin is in close proximity, the dog waste bin may be removed from the location

The Council will not now be providing additional dog waste bins unless exceptional circumstances are identified. Where organisations may wish to provide additional dog waste bins, they will be advised that they will be required to cover the cost of both provision and emptying of the bin.

The chair of the council is allowed to choose three charities he wants the council to support this year. He has selected the following:

- Winston's wish
- The Food Bank
- Guide Dogs for the Blind

Standing down of the Vice Chairman from the full council.

Due to personal circumstance the elected Vice Chair of the full council has chosen to stand down. They felt it wasn't possible to conduct their duties to the best of their ability.

Timothy E R Williams
District Councillor of the Bisley Ward