

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER 2015 AT BISLEY WI  
VILLAGE HALL**

<b>Present</b>	Mr Roger Utley		Chairman
	Shelagh Utley	}	
	John Mulligan	}	Bisley Ward
	Mr R K Brooks	}	
	Peter Nairn	}	Eastcombe Ward
	Rachel Wright	}	
	Roger Budgeon	}	
	Mike Bell	}	Oakridge Ward
	Dennis Robbins	}	
	Mr P M Morris		Clerk

**In Attendance:**

Mr Tim Williams                      District Councillor

15. 10 1.    **Apologies for Absence**  
Apologies for absence were received from Jane Walker
15. 10 2.    **Declaration of Interests**  
There were no declarations of interest.
15. 10 3.    **Public Participation**  
Five members of the public were in attendance  
There were no issues raised by members of the public.
15. 10 4.    **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday  
2 September 2015**  
The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday  
2 September 2015 having been circulated to all councillors were  
approved unanimously following an amendment to item 15. 09 1  
identifying Mr R Brooks as the Vice Chairman and not Deputy  
Chairman as stated and also correcting a spelling error in item  
15. 09 8. The Chairman signed the Minute Book.
15. 10 5.    **Matters arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings**  
There were no matters arising from the previous Minutes.

15. 10 6. **Agree Parish Council response to the following Planning Applications**

**a) S.15/2069/HHOLD**

Property Address: Winsley Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7NZ

Description: Replace sloping flat asbestos roof with a gabled tiled roof (Revised Plans Rcvd 21.09.2015).

Decision: 3 **Support**

Reasons / Comments: This will be an improvement.

**b) No: S.15/2028/FUL**

Property Address: Land Parcel To North Of The Birches Oakridge Lynch, Stroud, Gloucestershire

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Decision: 3 **Support**

Reasons / Comments: We support this proposal, as outlined in our Village Design Statement this is exactly what the village needs. It needs small bungalows that serve as move on accommodation within the community that the ageing residents can progress to as there larger family home becomes increasingly inappropriate for their needs. The fact that this proposal lies outside the current village boundary does not weigh very heavily compared with the need for small housing units. Recently the parish council recommended permission for house across the road from this proposed development for the same reasons.

There have been many proposals in the past for enlarging smaller houses, adding another storey to a bungalow, and dividing a plot with an existing small house and replacing it with more larger family houses. All have contributed to the loss of dwellings suitable for ageing local villagers who wish to stay in the community but reduce the burden of looking after a large family home.

Additionally this plot is within easy walking distance of the village shop, the pub the bus stop, village hall and the other community assets. It is important for communities to be able to cater for all age groups to support them through all their needs and maintain the social structure of a community.

The proposal does not in any way harm the AONB as it is situated with a housing group of similarly constructed houses. The older part of the village is set on the hillside and can be

seen in the long distant views.

The District Council should seek to achieve its housing numbers by allowing developments like this in villages to maintain vital harmonious communities that cater for all ages.

**c) S.15/1918/LBC**

Property Address: Stanmore, High Street, Bisley, STROUD, GL6 7BA

Description: Installation of secondary glazing

Decision: 3 **Support**

Reasons / Comments: The Parish Council believes that all building owners should be encouraged to make their buildings more energy efficient, regardless of whether those buildings are listed or not.

**d) S.15/2196/HHOLD**

Property Address: Studdridge, Fidges Lane, Eastcombe, Stroud

Description: Erection of outbuilding for incidental use and storage.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

**e) S.15/2263/TCA**

Property Address: White House, Eastcombe, Stroud Gloucestershire GL6 7DN

Description: Various works to trees as per submitted schedule.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

**f) S.15/2187/HHOLD**

Property Address: Nufilia, Eastcombe, Stroud GL6 7DY

Description: Rear extension, increase in height of ridge to front gable, addition of dormer windows, new window to east elevation.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

**g) S.15/2206/FUL**

Property Address: Nufilia, Eastcombe, Stroud GL6 7DY

Description: Proposed new dwelling.

Decision: 2 **Object**

Reasons / Comments: The size and position of the proposed new building will have an impact on the adjacent new housing. The parking spaces will cause obstruction to the parking spaces for the new housing.

**h) S.15/2285/TCA**

Property Address: Orchard Cottage, Eastcombe Stroud  
GL6 7ED

Description: Dawn Redwood - Fell. Replant with Silver Birch and fruit trees

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: Comments from our Tree Warden: No objection to felling the dawn redwood as it does dominate the garden and cutting back isn't ideal. However, I don't think birch should replace it, as these too grow very tall.

**i) S.15/2239/DISCON**

Property Address: Sylvanus, Eastcombe, Stroud  
Gloucestershire

Description: Discharge of condition 4 (materials) of  
S.14/1420/HHOLD

Decision: 1 **No observations**

**j) S.15/2287/OUT**

No information regarding this planning application was available on SDC website.

15. 10 7. **County Council Matters - (Councillor Jason Bullingham)**  
Councillor Bullingham was not present; his report to the meeting is at Annex A to these Minutes

15. 10 8 **District Council Matters – (Councillor Tim Williams)**  
Councillor Tim Williams's report to the meeting is at Annex B to these Minutes.

15. 09 10 **Matters for Discussion**

**a) Parish Precept 2016-17**

It was agreed that Ward Budgets would be submitted to the November Parish Council meeting.

**b) First Aid Facilities Allotment Sites**

The Clerk reported that he had received an enquiry regarding the responsibility of the Parish Council to provide First Aid facilities at allotment sites.

He was awaiting clarification on several points raised with the National Allotment Society.

**c) New Dog Waste Bin Protocol**

The Environmental Protection Manager had written to the Parish Council with an informal request for the Council to make a voluntary contribution towards the cost of emptying Parish Council-owned dog waste bins (£446.16 per annum).

Councillors noted that the emptying of dog waste bins was erratic (in the past 3 years the contractor had failed to empty the bins in Bisley on at least 48 occasions) and that a new regime

for waste collection was due to be introduced in 2016. The Parish Council had asked, through the District Councillor, for clarification on what the arrangements for emptying dog waste bins would be under the new regime and had received no reply. It was agreed that the Council would not consider contributing towards the cost of emptying dog waste bins until this information was provided. Chairman to reply to Environmental Protection Manager accordingly.

15. 10 10 **Finance**

**Payments for October 2015**

**The following payments were approved by the Parish Council**

<b>Cost code</b>	<b><u>Details</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>VAT</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
4015	Sam Kelly Tree Surgery Ltd – Bisley Churchyard	315.00		315.00
4040	Glos. Playing Fields Association – Annual Subscription	50.00		50.00
4320	I Trueman – Grass cutting Eastcombe	310.50		310.50
4000	Clerk's Salary	837.64		837.64
4000	HMRC – Tax & NI	244.90		244.90
4201	K Harris – Cleaning Bisley Pavilion	165.00		165.00
4020	BT – Telephone	60.50	8.10	68.60
4050	R H Attwood – Grass cutting	359.17		
4221	Playing Fields	30.00		
4250	Bisley Allotments	54.17		
4405	Teeds Rise	128.75		
4421	Oakridge Footpaths & Waterlane	60.00		
4400	Oakridge Allotments	62.50	138.92	833.51
4310	Oakridge Burial Ground	275.00		275.00
4261	Metalweld – Repair Slide Eastcombe	210.00	42.00	252.00
	Bisley Fencing – Supply and fit gate to Van Der Breen Play Area			
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,163.13</b>	<b>189.02</b>	<b>3,352.15</b>

15. 10 11 **Correspondence**

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

Stroud Valleys Project

Longfield Hospice Magazine

15. 10 12 **Ward Matters**

**Bisley**

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

**Oakridge**

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

**Eastcombe**

The outdoor table tennis table had been installed at the Playing Fields.

15. 10 13 **Date and Place of Next Meeting**

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in Bisley WI Village Hall on Wednesday **4 November 2015** commencing at 7.30pm.

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

## **ANNEX A TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2015**

### **County Councillor's Monthly Report - September 2015**

#### **Would You Like To Be Part Of The County's School Appeals Panel?**

Gloucestershire County Council is calling on residents from all walks of life to consider a volunteer role on the schools appeal panel. Members of the panel play an important part in helping parents or carers in Gloucestershire to have their voice heard. The panel will be asked to consider the reasons why a child hasn't got a place at their preferred school or why a pupil has permanently excluded from school, whilst understanding the special circumstances of the parent or guardian's case.

In each appeal the panel is made up of at least three people including a chair, one person with a background in education and one panel member without direct experience in education or only in a volunteering capacity. The council is particularly interested in receiving applications from parents or carers of children currently registered at a school in Gloucestershire. All panel members will receive training which is refreshed at least every two years. Appeals are arranged so that they are heard for half a day or a full day depending on the amount of appeals received. The role is voluntary although all panel members are entitled to expenses, such as travel when attending panel hearings and training.

For more information or to get involved, contact:

**[democratic.services@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@gloucestershire.gov.uk)**

#### **Gloucestershire's Bid For More Power Forges Ahead**

Gloucestershire's devolution bid is gathering pace as detailed proposals are submitted to government. Last month a statement of intent document, We are Gloucestershire, was sent to Ministers to confirm our county's enthusiasm to take greater control of our public services. It was developed by countywide partners Gloucestershire County Council, the six district councils, GFirst Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and NHS Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). After reviewing our statement of intent the government has indicated that our bid is worth exploring. And a government representative was appointed to work with the partners to develop our detailed bid and firm up what Gloucestershire is asking for.

On Friday 4th September, a full submission outlining exactly what Gloucestershire wants, how it would work and what the benefit would be has been sent to Whitehall for consideration. Gloucestershire expects to hear back from Ministers later in the autumn. Devolution would allow Gloucestershire to have responsibility for public services based on what people need and want. Partners would have more say over social care and health spending, local transport networks, business rates, education and infrastructure. It also continues to build on the excellent joint working that is already going on in the county. The detailed bid is an ambitious pitch however it will start the conversation with government about the future for Gloucestershire.

Following the same format as the statement of intent, the bid outlines five

sections:

1. Accelerating growth – infrastructure, planning, transport, business skills and employment;
2. Health and social care – single vision for health and social care, delivered collectively by partners, based on what local people really need;
3. Community safety – joined up public protection and safeguarding practice to improve outcomes for some of our most vulnerable people;
4. Finance and assets – getting the best out of the £3billion public sector money spent in Gloucestershire by commissioning together and investing together to prevent demand in future;
5. Governance – establishing a single point of governance to remove barriers without merging organisations.

Both the statement of intent and the full bid is available to see at :

**[www.weareglos.com](http://www.weareglos.com)**

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## **ANNEX B TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OCTOBER 2015**

### **District Councillor's Monthly Report - October 2015**

#### **1. Working in partnership for a safety Gloucestershire**

During last week's meeting of the Member's Development Group it was apparent that there was perhaps a general unawareness of a Road Safety action group/representation in the Stroud District Council area. I am therefore alerting Members to the existence of the Stroud Road Safety Liaison Group (SRSLG), which is one of three such action groups in the County. The groups are supported by the Gloucestershire Road Safety Partnership (RSP), which has responsibility for reducing the number of people being killed or injured in road traffic collisions in our county, through road safety education, training and publicity, including awareness, deterrent (enforcement, incl. safety cameras), courses for the elderly and speed awareness courses as an alternative to prosecution, etc.

The RSP, based at the Tri-Service Emergency Centre at Waterwells, Quedgeley, works with all the emergency services and the county council in making Gloucestershire a safer place for everyone. In 2005, 53 people were killed on our County's roads and in 2014 this had reduced to 29.

The SRSLG meets 3 or 4 times a year in the Committee Room, Ebley Mill, usually on a Wednesday, starting at 1430 and finishes about 1600. Members comprise representation from RSP, GCC, Town and Parish Councils, Institute of Advanced Motorists, RoadPeace, Glos Driving Instructors Association and Gloucestershire Association Parish and Town Councils and others. As Stroud District Council's Senior Community Safety Officer, Ashley Nicholson attends, as do Cllrs Chas Townley and John Jones as SDC's appointees to the Group. County Councillor Dr John Cordwell chairs the meeting and I am a co-opted member and Minute Secretary.

If not already, I encourage your communities to become active participants in the SRSLG, please contact me if you would like further details. Alternatively, please raise any road safety concern through either Ashley, Chas or John, so that it can be raised at the next meeting or if of an urgent nature through the RSP on 01452 888714 or email [roadsafety@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:roadsafety@gloucestershire.gov.uk). More information about road safety in Gloucestershire can be found by visiting the RSP website at: <http://roadsafety-gloucestershire.org.uk/>

#### **2. Council's youth work**

The contact details for the Council's youth work contractors (Youth and Community Services) working in the respective localities, are as follows; Overall Co-coordinator for all locality based work is Vicki Gamston; [vicki.gamston@youthandcommunity.org.uk](mailto:vicki.gamston@youthandcommunity.org.uk) ; Tel: 07760 898485

Our closest is in Chalford: Simon Gillings; [simon.gillings@youthandcommunity.gov.uk](mailto:simon.gillings@youthandcommunity.gov.uk) ; Tel: 07557 790899

### **3. Verge cutting**

A Resident wants to know if people are aware of the new contractor doing verge cutting and if people are making use of it. – my experience even this late into the season is that Amey usually react within 4 days.

[Gcchighways@amey.co.uk](mailto:Gcchighways@amey.co.uk)

### **4. Full council meeting**

The next full council meeting is Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

### **5. Rural crime watch**

A scheme ran by Gloucestershire police and provides members of the ward with emails. To sign up, please fill in the forms that are attached to this report.

### **6. Any other matters**

Any matters from parish councillors that have arisen within that ward that need some action please advise in meeting.

- Location of Dog Bin that needs number. `Have raised the issue but awaiting confirmation that is it sorted.
- The bin that needs to be fixed. I have asked the council to sort it and have finally got through to the correct person. Which strangely, isn't the same for both cases may I point out.
- You received the charities that will accept bulky waste Items forwarded to the Clerk.

**Timothy E R Williams**

*District Councillor of the Bisley Ward*