

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2017 AT BISLEY WI VILLAGE HALL

Present

Mike Bell		Chairman
Hazel Saunders	}	
Lesley Greene	}	Bisley Ward
Michael Garratt	}	
Peter Nairn	}	
Mike Eccott	}	Eastcombe Ward
Mr R Brooks	}	
Roger Budgeon	}	Oakridge Ward
Dennis Robbins	}	
Mr P M Morris		Clerk

In attendance- Keith Rippington County Councillor

Prior to opening proceedings the Chairman informed attendees that he had received a letter from Peter Nairn informing him of his decision to stand down as a Councillor representing Eastcombe Ward effective on the 30 November 2017.

The Chairman thanked Peter for the excellent service he had provided to the community.

17. 11 1. **Apologies for Absence**
Apologies for absence were received from Jacqui Ayers.
17. 11 2. **Declaration of Interests**
Michael Garratt declared an interest in Agenda item 10 a).
17. 11 3. **Public Participation**
One member of the public was in attendance.
No issues where raised.
17. 11 4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 4 October 2017**
The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 4 October 2017 having been circulated to all councillors were approved unanimously.
17. 11 5. **Matters arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings**
There were no matters arising from the previous Minutes.
17. 11 6. **Agree Parish Council response to the following Planning**

Applications

The Chairman felt it appropriate to make the following statement regarding the planning application for an animal incinerator at Fourways Farm, Waterlane.

Unfortunately the PC does not make any Planning decisions, we are only a consultee, in this particular case the County Council will make the decision. So in light of this, if they choose to ignore our recommendation and give approval, our procedure is to make sure they have thought of certain aspects of their decision and include conditions which support our parishioners. In practice this is phrased as below, which basically means if they choose to overrule us and give permission would they consider the attached conditions.

Comments - If the Council is minded to allow this incinerator we would recommend the following conditions are attached:-

We then put in considerations that actually need addressing in the process of implementing the approval. In this particular case if it is difficult to achieve the conditions our purpose in raising them is achieved.

In the case of clear Planning Policy supporting our recommendation it is straight forward to object and quote Policy, but if the policies are conflicting or other consultees are not united we usually quote issues to make sure the deciding authority has considered them.

a) S.17/2197/HHOLD

Property Address: Middle Lypiatt House, Bisley

Description: double garage, polytunnel, lower lawns, swimming pool

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: : important the roof of the garages etc. are turfed & the garages do not exceed the stated height, in order to mitigate the impacts on the curtilage of this important grade 2* listed building.

b) S.17/2009/FUL

Property Address: Upper Southmead Farm Cheltenham Road Bisley

Description: demolition of farmhouse & new build

Decision: 2 **Object**

Reasons / Comments: because the present building is worthy of listing & an important historic building of great character & value.

c) S.17/2300/TCA

Property Address: 1 The Lindens, Eastcombe

Description: Dying Elm-Fell.2 Lime, remove decaying stem, reduce in height and width by 5-8m.3 Remove deadwood.

Decision: 1 **No observations**

d) S.17/2323/HHOLD

Property Address: Bracebridge House Calfway Lane Bisley
Description: replace garage roof
Decision: 1 **No observations**

e) S.17/2319/FUL

Property Address: Land at rear of Brockley, Eastcombe
Description: New dwelling
Decision: 2 **Object**
Reasons / Comments: The original scheme had first floor windows overlooking Jullundun, whereas the current has no windows overlooking. However it still has a limited amount of amenity space. It is a very small plot in comparison with the established grain of development in the locality. So although the impact of the dwelling on the amenities of surrounding properties is significantly reduced compared to the original proposal we are minded to object to this proposal.

f) S.17/2333/HHOLD

Property Address: Stonecrop Cottage,
Oakridge Lynch, Stroud
Description: Proposed new extensions
Decision: 1 **No observations**

g) S.17/2376/TCA

Property Address: Overdale, Fidges Lane, Eastcombe, Stroud
Description: Various tree works as per schedule and plan submitted on 02.12.2015.
Decision: 1 **No observations**

17. 11 7. **County Council Matters - (Councillor Keith Rippington**

Councillor Keith Rippington provided an update on the proposed incinerator for the disposal of equine carcasses at Forways Farm, Oakridge.

As of the most recent update (prior to the most recent Parish Council meeting) dated 16th October 2017. Of the 11 Consultees who had responded there was 1 Objection – from Bisley-With-Lypiatt Parish Council and 10 Consultees with no objection, those Consultees with no objection were as follows:

Stroud District Council
County Highways
Principal Acoustic Advisor
Principal Air Quality Advisor
Principal Ecologist
Environment Agency
Natural England
Severn Trent Water
Cotswold Conservation Board
Public Health England

There was one Consultee who was yet to respond – County Public

Health
Public Representations (as of 16.10.17) – Objections 110; Supporting
105

The current overall expiry date of the re-consultation is 13th November.
It is anticipated that a decision as to whether the application will need
to be referred to the Planning Committee should be made during the
week commencing 20th November.

17. 11 8. **District Council Matters – (Councillor Tim Williams)**

District Councillor Tim Williams was not present and his report to the
meeting is at Annex A to these Minutes.

17. 11 9. **Matters for Discussion**

a) January 2018 Parish Meeting

It was agreed to hold the January 2018 on Wednesday 10 January.

b) Precept 2018-19

Budgets for Fiscal Year 2018/19 were approved, maintaining the
same Precept as last financial year. The effect on council tax rates will
not be known until the Tax Base is announced by Stroud District
Council.

The first tranche of Community Grants for FY2018/19 was agreed as
follows:

What's On Magazine	£150
Bisley News	£150
Eastcombe Newsletter	£150
Frith Youth Club	£500
Eastcombe Scouts & Guides	£500
Stroud Citizens Advice Bureau	£250
Royal British Legion	£100
Total	£1,800

c) Tree Charter Agreement

It was agreed that the Parish Council should sign up to the Tree
Charter Agreement.

17. 11 10 **Finance**

Payments for November 2017

The following payments were approved by the Parish Council

Cost code	Details	£	VAT	Total
4070	Stroud District Council – Garage Rent - Direct Debit	65.47		65.47
4030	CIX Online – Web Services	67.44	13.49	80.93
4201	HomeFree – Cleaning Bisley Pavilion	31.00		31.00
4460	Water Plus – Oakridge Pavilion Direct Debit	76.82		76.82
4000	P Morris - Clerk's Salary	873.35		873.35
4000	HMRC – Tax & NI	229.90		229.90
4050	R H Attwood – Grass cutting Playing Fields	359.17		
4221	Bisley Allotments	30.00		
4250	Teeds Rise	37.50		
4405	Oakridge Footpaths & Waterlane	128.75		
4421	Oakridge & Far Oakridge Allotments	60.00		
4400	Oakridge Burial Ground	62.50		
4405	Oakridge Fountain Piece	29.17		
4403	Strim Oakridge Play Area Soft Surface	17.50	144.92	869.51
4468	Broxap – Grit bin Oakridge	124.00	24.80	148.80
4008	M Garratt – Ink cartridges for computer	39.00		39.00
4015	Graduate Gardeners Churchyard Maintenance – Bisley	687.50	137.50	
4016	Churchyard Maintenance - Oakridge	480.00	96.00	1,401.00
4020	BT – Broadband	46.20	9.24	55.44
4216	C Load – Remove tree from Windyridge Play Area	1 2.00		12.00
4221	R H Attwood – Strim Bisley Allotments	60.00	12.00	72.00
	Totals	3,517.27	437.95	3,955.22

17. 11 11 **Correspondence**

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

Clerks & Councils Direct
CPRE

17. 11 12 **Ward Matters**

Eastcombe & Oakridge

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

Bisley

Request to place an item on next month's Agenda regarding

modification orders to footpaths within the Ward.

17. 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 **6 December 2017** commencing at 7.30pm.
There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm.

ANNEX A TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES NOVEMBER 2017

District Councillors Monthly Report – October 2017

Parish Nov Meeting

On Thursday we had a full council meeting but the agenda was extremely light. The majority of the meeting was taken up with members questions. I thought it would be good to present some of these questions to the group to provide transparency.

The new online planning system, promising many things including being more “user friendly” was launched on October 9th.

When will it be working properly?”

Staff within Development Management have been taking a number of calls from individuals seeking to register on the new system which is very different and a vast improvement when compared to the previous offer.

In the majority of cases, individuals have been assisted over the phone in creating accounts and logging in. Over 800 accounts have been successfully created to date. A user guide was issued to Parish Councils after Kingswood Parish volunteered to trial the new system. Previous events have also been held for Parish Council clerks. Some technical issues have been encountered in relation to users who seek to login via mobile devices but these have been straight forward to overcome. The software supplier for Public access has been contacted about an issue with accessing a very limited number of documents and this will be resolved shortly.

Lastly, the link from the SDC home page to email alerts has recently been amended to direct users away from the registration page for general email alerts and towards the Public Access planning search pages.

Can the leader assure us that in future due consideration is given to the elderly, vulnerable and disadvantaged who do not have access to email or have email accounts?

Whilst the Council is actively promoting user friendly self-serve online services, there will be provision for services over the phone for residents who do not have online access.

Regarding the increase in parking charges at Council-owned car parks. In an email to all Members on 2nd October, it was stated that a consultation will take place. Did any consultation take place between this Council and the Town Councils or Chambers of Trade?

The car park tariffs have not been increased for six years and the current increases are intended to ensure that the charges remain appropriate and proportionate.

As car park tariffs already exist in Stroud, Stonehouse and Painswick, there is no constitutional requirement to consult with the Town Councils and Chamber of Trade before increasing tariffs.

A full parking review will be undertaken in 2018 to consider further regulation of other car parks in the Stroud District. Any recommendations from this review will go through the committee process.

Tim Williams