

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
ON WEDNESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT BISLEY WI VILLAGE HALL**

<b>Present</b>	Mike Bell		Chairman
	Hazel Saunders	}	
	Lesley Greene	}	Bisley Ward
	Dave Partridge	}	
	Mike Eccott	}	Eastcombe Ward
	Mr R Brooks	}	
	Roger Budgeon	}	
	Dennis Robbins	}	Oakridge Ward
	Rod Simcox	}	
	Mrs D Meredith		Clerk
	Mr P M Morris		Clerk
	Mr Nigel Cooper		District Councillor
	Mr Keith Rippington		County Councillor

- 18.08 1. **Apologies for Absence**  
Apologies for absence was received from District Councillor Tim Williams and Parish Councillor for Bisley Ward Martin Brown.
- 18.08 2. **Declaration of Interests**  
None.
- 18.08 3. **Approval of the Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 1 August**  
The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 1 August 2018 having been circulated to all councillors were approved unanimously.
- 18.08 4. **Matters arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings**  
There were no matters arising from the previous Minutes.
- 18.08 5. **Public Participation**  
Three members of the public were in attendance.  
Mrs Meredith was welcomed as the new Clerk.  
MG requested that the access road to All Saints Church, also known as Parsons or Rectory lane, be re-surfaced due to its poor condition. Chairman confirmed that the issue will be raised at the next Highways meeting. Keith Rippington suggested that the council note other roads that need attention and clarified that some of the contractor short programs have been postponed.
6. **Agree Parish Council response to the following Planning Applications**

- a) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1458/HHOLD**  
Property\_Address: Hartwell Cottage Wells Road Bisley Stroud Gloucestershire GL6 7AG  
Description: Erection of gate.  
Decision: 3 **Support**
- b) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1681/TCA**  
Property\_Address: Evimiz Cheltenham Road Bisley Stroud Gloucestershire GL6 7BJ  
Description: Reduce the height and spread of a tree in the back garden. Reduction to be approximately 1-2 metres  
Decision: 3 **Support**
- c) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1691/FUL**  
Property\_Address: Middle Lypiatt Grange Middle Lypiatt Stroud Gloucestershire GL6 7LW  
Description: Demolition of existing timber outbuilding, and erection of a pool house and indoor swimming pool.  
Decision: 4 **Comments only**  
Reasons / Comments: Whilst we appreciate the proposed design aesthetic of the swimming pool, the pre-planning consultations with SDC, and thoughtful consideration of the local heritage, we have concerns that swimming pools are huge energy users and there appears to be no mitigating infrastructure (such as integrated renewable energy systems) in the application. As such we question whether this development has considered issue of sustainable development and its impact on climate change (SDC Strategic Objective SO5) (Core Policy CP14)
- d) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1809/FUL**  
Property\_Address: Land To The Rear Of Fieldholme Waterlane Oakridge Gloucestershire  
Description: Removal of polythene tunnel , replace with a timber shed. (E392035, N204705)  
Decision: 3 **Support**
- e) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1636/FUL**  
Property\_Address: Land At Bakers Paddock Oakridge Lynch Stroud Gloucestershire  
Description: Change of use of paddock to dog exercise areas and erection of new dog unit/day room and stable block (part retrospective).  
Decision: 2 **Object**  
Reasons / Comments: The Planning Officers will need to consider and ask for confirmation that the following concerns are being dealt with:-
1. Dog waste and faeces.
  2. Dogs are not kept on the site overnight.
  3. Can it be confirmed that the proposed extra stabling will not be used as part of the dog unit. The application for the dog unit does not appear large enough for the number of dogs being mentioned.

We note there is considerable noise from the site at times both canine and human,

can the applicant, and the Planning Officer illustrate in the Decision Notice, that this is considered and informs the decision. The site is in very close proximity to 3 dwellings and not much further to the ones and Lillyhorne. This application represents a considerable escalation in the use and activity of a rural field which currently has agricultural/equine use. We are concerned about the inclusion of the medical facilities and could imagine that this might require overnight accommodation for dogs and staff. How would this be dealt with? In the event that the council is minded to support this application we would request that a condition be applied that no overnight accommodation for dogs or people is permitted on site.

f) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1613/HHOLD**

Property\_Address: 1 Broadway The Broadway Oakridge Lynch Stroud Gloucestershire GL6 7NX

Description: Rear single storey extension for utility, WC and new stairs

Decision: 3 **Support**

g) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1634/LBC**

Property\_Address: Kings Farm Tunley Sapperton Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 6LW

Description: Installation of timber prefabricated stables within the confines of curtilage listed existing walls of original Cowhouse/Milking Parlour and general upgrading and stabilising of freestanding stone wall

Decision: 3 **Support**

h) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1682/TCA**

Property\_Address: 1, Jasmine Cottage, Dr.Crouch's Road, Eastcombe, GL6 7EA

Description: Fell Spruce Tree

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: This tree appears to have outgrown its surroundings.

i) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1665/TCA**

Property\_Address: Parkview, Eastcombe, GL6 7ED

Description: Fell Chameacyparis Lawsoniana

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: This tree has been allowed to grow too large in its present location and is starting to cause damage to the surrounding walls and building.

j) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1361/TPO**

Property\_Address: St, Elizabeth's Drive, Eastcombe, GL6

Description: Reduce 3 x Lime Trees by 4m

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: These trees are causing problems (restricting light and falling leaves) to an adjacent house in Bracelands and the owner of this property has applied to have their height significantly reduced. If permission is given then, as these trees are protected, this work should be undertaken by a suitably qualified Tree Surgeon such that any damage is kept to a minimum.

k) Planning\_Ref\_No: **S.18/1686/HHOLD**

Property\_Address: 61, Stonecoat Ridge, Bussage, GL6 8JY

Description: Single Storey Front & Rear Extensions

Decision: 3 **Support**

Reasons / Comments: Although the standard of information supplied is of very poor quality it is understood that this application is in keeping with other extended properties within this location. Materials to be used are compatible with those on the original construction and there are no obvious access problems or limitations.

I) Planning\_Ref\_No: S.18/1356/HHold

Property\_Address: Mullions, Dr. Crouch's Road, Eastcombe, GL6 7EA

Description: 2 x Single Storey Extensions

Decision: 4 **Comments only**

Reasons / Comments: This is a revised application which replaces a proposed double storey extension with two single storey extensions, to the west and east ends of the existing building. The original application was refused because of concerns raised about the proximity of the neighbouring property (St. Just) and vehicular access to the new garage (car port).

This new application addresses the problem of the adjacent property by reducing the height to a single storey and reducing the width to the boundary by 600mm. However, by introducing a second extension to the east end of the building, this now has implications on the neighbouring property of Highlands where there will be a major increase in window area overlooking their rear garden and patio. Furthermore as this second extension's footprint encompasses the existing garage, parking will now be limited to a gravel area immediately in front of this extension as the existing gate and walls will be removed. This may well lead to an increase in 'on road' parking which is already congested.

18.08 7. **County Council Matters - (Councillor Keith Rippington**

Councillor Keith Rippington stated that there was nothing new to report. He informed the meeting that the issue for the Equine incinerator was likely to go to the Planning Committee on 22 November 2018 and a planning site visit has been organised for 15 November 2018. At the time of the meeting there were 210 responses for, 85 against and 125 neither. The Parish Council's objection was noted at the last Council meeting.

Bisley ward made an official complaint regarding the drainage in Bearlands and that the slow sign on the road by the allotments has not been repainted. Peter Morris reported that the gully cover has been stolen from Brockley Acres, Highways have been informed.

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

District Councillor Tim Williams was not in attendance and his report appears in Annex A of the minutes. District Councillor **Nigel Cooper** represented Tim Williams at the meeting and his report appears in Annex B of the minutes.

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18.08 9. **Matters for Discussion**

a) **Neighbourhood Development Plan Event**

Councillors Roger Budgeon and Lesley Greene agreed to represent the parish at the meeting in early October.

b) **Tree Maintenance Survey**

Agreed to add the greens at Eastcombe and Stonecote Ridge, also Teeds Rise. Lesley Greene asked for the tree survey results to be placed on the website.

c) **Village Design Statement Strategy**

Lesley Greene and Martin Brown have done a lot of work on this during the summer on behalf of Bisley Ward.

Mike Eccott has worked with a small group and drafted a design with a further session booked 10 September for Eastcombe Ward.

Roger Budgeon for Oakridge Ward stated no progress has been made and informed the meeting that he feels disillusioned with Stroud District Council planning department. The Chair asked for the District Councillor to confirm that this is not a waste of time who stated that the Neighbourhood Plan does indeed become part of the Local Plan.

18. 8 10. **Finance**

**Payments for September 2018**

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

<b>Cost code</b>	<b><u>Details</u></b>	<b>£</b>	<b><u>VAT</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
4070	Stroud District Council – Garage Rent - <b><i>Direct Debit</i></b>	53.95	10.79	64.74
4202	R & J Pearce Ltd – Pavilion Boiler & Showers replacement	4,170.00	834.00	5,004.00
4260	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd – Safety Inspections Bisley Play Areas	60.00	36.00	216.00
4310	Eastcombe Play Areas	60.00		
4445	Oakridge Play Areas	60.00		
4020	BT – Telephone / Broadband – <b>Direct Debit</b>	178.06	35.61	213.67
4222	I Trueman – Erect sign in Bisley Allotments	35.00.		35.00
4000	P Morris - Clerk's Salary	937.21		969.81
4004	Office rent	20.00		
4002	Mileage expenses	12.60		
4000	HMRC – Tax & NI	189.27		189.27
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
4230	J B Joinery – Refurbish Bisley Noticeboard	725.00		725.00
4200	Npower – Bisley Pavilion <b>Direct Debit</b>	57.17	2.86	60.03
4040	Pear Technology – Annual Subscription	200.00	40.00	240.00
4040	GRCC – Annual subscription	25.00		25.00
4320	I Truman – Grass cutting Eastcombe	441.00		441.00
4446	AE Evans Ltd – Replacement parts	243.40	48.68	292.08
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>8,192.25</b>	<b>1,152.86</b>	<b>9,345.11</b>

Hazel Saunders raised concerns about the costs of refurbishing the Bisley noticeboard. Peter Morris explained that he had raised the problems about the poor condition of the noticeboard for some time and was requested to organise its repair. The cost was due to the exceedingly poor condition and it required a complete rebuild. This was, however, one third of the cost of a replacement. Peter explained that, if necessary, the cost to the Ward could be recovered from Parish reserves.

18. 8 11      **Correspondence**

There were no items of correspondence.

18. 8 12      **Ward Matters**

**Eastcombe**

Defibrillation training in Eastcombe Village Hall 9 October at 7:30pm – contact Bob Brooks to attend.

**Oakridge and Bisley**

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

The Chair wished to place on record his gratitude for 8 years of sterling effort by Peter Morris as Clerk and proposed the Council applaud his contributions. A gift was kindly received by Peter and he thanked the Parish Council.

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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 **3 October 2018** commencing at 7.30pm.  
There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:10pm

## **ANNEX A TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2018**

### **Parish Councillor matters**

Cllr Brooks brought a matter to me concerning light pollution across at Ferris Court. As discussed at the flower show, I have spoken to David Jackson and then been forwarded to one of his colleagues to continue our discussion. I have arranged some time with him for the week of my return. I will let you know WC 10<sup>th</sup> September as to the best next steps.

### **Environmental Strategy review**

Stroud District Council adopted its 20 year [Environment Strategy](#) in Feb 2007. The overarching focus of the Strategy was to 'help us live within environmental limits'.

The action plan outcomes set out within the Strategy were reported at the Council's Environment Committee in September 2017, and the achievements were recognised. However, the Committee members agreed that the Strategy needed to be reviewed. A member led group was set up to review the Strategy and the Group made the following recommendations:

- To keep the Strategy vision
- To reduce and refine the priority areas from 5 to 4
- To have a separate programme of initiatives and actions that could be regularly monitored and updated.

All Councillors have until **September 30<sup>th</sup> 2018** to complete the survey - Found on the SDC website or [here](https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/SDCES2018/): <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/SDCES2018/> for digital copies of this report.

### **New Chief Executive**

Many of you will remember that I said David Hagg is stepping down as the Chief Executive of SDC. Stroud District Council announced on the 9th August that Kathy O'Leary has been appointed as its new Chief Executive.

The selection process involved councillors, council employees and external stakeholders, with the recommendation being made by an all-party group of councillors and party leaders.

Members of the council voted unanimously in favour of the recommendation.

### **The next meetings are:**

- 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018 – Environmental committee
- 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 – Full council meeting

## **ANNEX B TO PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2018**

### PLANNING

As you know SDC was the first Council in Gloucestershire to adopt a Local Plan (LP), that was in November 2016. At that time it was agreed that the LP should be reviewed every 5 years, that process has already started. The Government have made several pronouncements regarding planning and have set a target of 300,000 new homes to be built per year. Current figures vary depending on which statistics you look at, and whether its "starts" or "completions", 150,000-175,000, a considerable increase whichever way. A new national standard method for calculating housing numbers has been announced. This means that our revised plan must make provision for an additional 5698 (minimum) new homes across the district during the new plan period (2018-2038). Our current plan calls for 456 per annum, the new figure equates to 638. There are currently existing permissions for 5761 dwellings, and another 1301 allocated to sites, awaiting planning permission.

The net results is that we have to find land to accommodate another 5698 homes.

This will be subject of intense debate and consultation about the various options open to us over the next 2 years, our new LP draft must be submitted for examination and public enquiry by the end of 2020.

Cllr. Nigel Cooper