

**MINUTES OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD at 7.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY 4th JULY 2001 at BISLEY W I HALL**

Mrs P Carrick	Chairman
Mrs J M Martin	Bisley Ward
Mr J P L Perkins	Bisley Ward
Mr N S Rogers	Bisley Ward
Mr T G Carter	Eastcombe Ward
Mr R K Brooks	Eastcombe Ward
Mrs J W Russell	Eastcombe Ward
Mrs O M Turner	Eastcombe Ward
Mr R N Budgeon	Oakridge Ward
Mrs E F Jordan	Clerk

In attendance: District Cllr L C Greene, County Cllr C Fellows

01.07 1. Apologies for Absence

M Flint (holiday), R Bryant (previous appointment) and T Newman (holiday)

01.07 2. Public Participation

As there were no members of the public present there was nothing under this heading

01.07 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th June having been circulated to all members were approved and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

01.07 4. Matters Arising

a) Severn Trent Water

It was noted that the Wards who had recently had their water cut off whilst John Kennedy undertook remedial work to the pipes, had experienced very few problems and where there was a problem, this had been dealt with speedily and in an efficient manner by John Kennedy.

b) Bisley 20 mph and 30 mph Speed Restrictions

This matter is progressing smoothly.

c) Whiteway Hill - Restriction Signs

A letter had been received from the Highways Department explaining that they had a legal obligation to warn the general public of traffic hazards, which was an overriding factor when they made their decisions.

d) Middle Hill Footway

This is going ahead satisfactorily and the Parish Council's Solicitor is in touch with the County Council

e) Stancombe Triangle

A revised plan has been received and the Ward is happy with this

f) Eastcombe Recreation Ground Play Equipment - Thomas Keble

A letter has been received from the Head Master apologising for the pupils leaving litter and using the play equipment during their 'study leave'. It was agreed that the situation should be monitored over the next few weeks. A quotation for the repair of damaged walls is now being sought.

g) Bisley Pavilion Dustbin

This has now been delivered and is in place.

01.07 5. District Council Matters

District Cllr Greene told the meeting that the Windyridge Planning Application had been recommended and included a play area, which will serve the new development only.

She will shortly attend a meeting regarding the impact of the Foot and Mouth epidemic on tourism and asked for comments. Mr Brooks said that there had been confusion with the different yellow and orange notices sent out to replace the 'Closed' signs. It was also noted that although the footpaths were opened on a Saturday, the telephone help line number on these notices was only available during office hours Monday to Friday.

Mr Perkins said he understood many millions of pounds had been allocated to farmers during the outbreak but businesses affected were not being compensated to the same degree.

Cllr Greene will put these points to the meeting she attends.

01.07 6. County Council Matters

Cllr Fellows was told that flooding on the Bisley to Camp road has occurred since the Highways Department put kerbs on some corners to prevent potholing. The Chairman and the Clerk will bring this up at their next meeting with the Highways Department.

Cllr Fellows had received a copy letter regarding the 20 mph speed limit in Bisley and passed a copy to the Clerk for photocopying. He told the meeting that the work would start soon after the appropriate parties had signed this document.

01.07 7. Finance

Receipts	£
R K Brooks - Sale of Eastcombe Mower	10.00
Hire of Bisley Pavilion	5.00
Mrs S F Gardiner - Donation towards Oakridge Pavilion	1000.00
Oakridge Football Club Donation	50.00
Bank interest	9.32
	£ 1,074.32

Payments	Services	VAT	Total
	£	£	£
N Power - Bisley Pavilion	25.27	1.25	26.52

BT - D J Taylors final telephone bill			62.44
Jeremy Simmons Landscapes Ltd			
Stonecote Ridge grass cutting	167.00	29.23	196.23
June 2000			
Accott Mower Services - Eastcombe Strimmer Service			74.42
John Miller (Corsham) Ltd - Oakridge Mower repairs	32.54	5.69	38.23
E F Jordan - June Salary			412.05
Inland Revenue			13.74
Petty Cash			50.00
Oakridge PCC - upkeep of closed churchyard			500.00
Mrs P J Carrick - Chairman's allowance 2001/02			300.00
Bisley Newsletter			50.00
Eastcombe Newsletter			50.00
Oakridge Newsletter			50.00
Gloucester Rural Community			15.00
Gloucestershire Playing Fields			25.00
CAB Stroud			75.00
CPRE Annual Subscription			17.50
Cotswold Canals Trust			20.00
Victim Support, Stroud			30.00
Stroud District Volunteer Bureau			50.00
Cotswold Hospice			50.00
Women's Royal Voluntary Service			50.00
Stroud Valleys Open Studios			10.00
Macmillan Cancer Relief - Gloucestershire Appeal			25.00
Wiltshire County Council - Grass cutting April/May	631.68	110.54	742.22
Bisley Women's Institute			10.00
Severn Trent - Oakridge Village Hall			60.24
Severn Trent - Bisley Allotments			24.43
Severn Trent - Eastcombe Allotments			16.79
Severn Trent - Oakridge Allotments			9.17
D W E Robbins - Oakridge Pavilion Repairs	255.00	44.63	299.63
Alex Bryant - Oakridge grass cutting			57.50
John Miller (Corsham) - Strimmer repair Oakridge	34.93	6.11	41.04
Totals	1,146.42	197.45	£ 3,452.15
Cash Balance as at 30th June 2001			£ 13,393.75
Lock-up account balance as at 11.6.01			£ 1,856.87

01.07 8. Matters for Discussion

a) Rospa - Ward Reports

Bisley: There were no adverse comments on the report. The Clerk was asked to purchase notices saying 'No Dogs' and 'No Kite Flying'.

Eastcombe: There are one or two points to be looked at but nothing serious. The Ward Chairman had spoken to Mr Gardiner and the Clerk was asked to contact him for a quotation to deal with the items in question. The meeting agreed that the repairs should go ahead if the quotation was for less than £500.

Oakridge: There were no adverse comments on the report for Oakridge and all necessary repairs and painting will be undertaken. There is a spare swing and it was suggested that this could be sold.

Waterlane: Some of the equipment requires painting in non-lead paint.

b) Windyridge

This is progressing satisfactorily and goes to Committee next week and work should start shortly. The latest plans were on display last weekend and a few residents called in to see them.

The Chairman had some leaflets explaining 'shared ownership' for anyone interested. It was stressed, once again, that anyone interested in this housing should have their names on the housing list and have local connections either through family or work.

c) Bisley Pavilion

There have been one or two problems and the code for the lock was changed last week, which resulted in one or two complaints. Mr Rogers is to liaise with the Cricket Club in future but Mrs Martin still has overall responsibility for the recreation ground and booking of the Pavilion. A meeting has been arranged with the Cricket Club and the Bear Inn Cricket Team next week with cleaning as the main issue.

Oakridge Pavilion

There are now funds available to do the necessary work that has already commenced. Mrs Gardiner has donated £1,000 in memory of her late husband, the Parish Council has pledged £1,000 and Mr Raphael £1,500.

d) Grants

A meeting has taken place between Mr Budgeon, Mr Brooks and Mr Perkins with a view to completing the necessary forms for a Parish Plan. A meeting with the GRCC is planned next week to discuss this further.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Parish Council will produce a Parish Plan. This resolution was proposed by Mr Budgeon and seconded by Mr Brooks.

e) Insurance of Assets

Some assets owned by the Parish Council are not insured. The Clerk has obtained a quotation for insuring these which was accepted by the Council and it was agreed to consult Mr Newman on the reinstatement value of the Bisley and the Oakridge Pavilion and other buildings for insurance purposes.

It was agreed that at this time, the playground equipment would not be covered.

f) GAPTC AGM - Agenda Items

The Council had received propositions for the above meeting in October. These were all acceptable.

Parish Councillors were asked to complete and return to the Clerk the Ballot Papers for the election of two County Committee Members for GAPTC.

g) Stroud District Local Plan

This is being circulated to the Wards and will be returned to the Clerk in due course.

h) Pest Control

It has become obvious that there is a serious and unacceptable infestation of rats in the district and the Clerk was asked to write to the Pest Control at the District Council requesting that the baiting of main sewers, if not already done, should be a matter of high priority.

i) Road Improvements

Now that improvement and kerbing work is being undertaken on the Bisley to Camp Road, it was requested that the Clerk and the Chairman request the Highway's Department to improve and kerb (where necessary) on the Eastcombe to Bisley Road at their next meeting.

The meeting was told that the Highways Department had painted white lines on the Bisley to Oakridge road to improve safety and reduce the speed of motorists.

Last year, the Council was informed that improvements would be made to The Vatch at Eastcombe including a footpath. The Clerk was asked to enquire as to the progress of this scheme.

There are large trees overhanging The Vatch, which are being knocked off by large vehicles. The Clerk is to ask the Council to cut these back

01.07 9. Correspondence

Gloucestershire County
Council/Gloucestershire Rural
Community Council
Gloucestershire Police Authority

Conference Report

Invitation to Policy and

01.07 9. Correspondence

	Community Consultative Meeting
Gloucestershire Crimestoppers	News Update
Gloucestershire Health Authority	Letter re Health Improvement Programme
SDC Community Safety Partnership	Minutes of meeting held on 6 June
CPRE	Annual Report & invitation to AGM
SDC	Housing Strategy 2001/2005
CPRE	Planning Update

01.07 10. Ward Matters

a) Bisley

The brown signs to Selsley Herbs are now in place. The Clerk was asked to enquire as to when the yellow AA signs will be removed.

b) Eastcombe

A vehicle has damaged the rubbish bin at the entrance of the Allotments. The Clerk was asked to inform Stroud District Council. The same vehicle also damaged the stone wall. The Clerk was asked to get a quotation for its repair.

A letter has been received indicating that Miss Gaston's term as a Primary School Governor expires in September. Miss Gaston is willing to continue in this role if there are no other volunteers.

A complaint has been received of people playing golf on the Recreation Ground. The Council did not feel that they could take any action on this but the situation would be monitored.

c) Oakridge

The Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Department in respect of the surface of a slip road in Far Oakridge, the road to the shop and the road from the School to Farm Lane. There is a continuing problem with water outside Mrs Blair's garage.

01.07 11. Date and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at Bisley W I Hall on Wednesday 1st August 2001

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.