

MINUTES OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD at 7.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 6 FEBRUARY, 2002

at BISLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HALL

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

In attendance: County Cllr Mr C Fellows

No members of the public were present

Mr Michael Rowan was unable to attend the meeting to talk on the Model Code of Conduct but will attend the March meeting.

was asked to contact the appropriate authority.

c) **Windyridge – Sod Cutting**

Invitations have now been received for the Sod Cutting at Windyridge and it was noted that the original date had now been changed to 11th March.

d) **DEFRE Quality Parish & Town Councils**

The Clerk confirmed that the Council's comments in respect of the above draft had been sent and acknowledged.

e) **Street Lighting**

The Clerk confirmed that a letter had been sent to the Community Safety Partnership indicating that no street lighting was required in the parish.

Mr Carter told the meeting that the Ward members had considered the question of a pedestrian crossing on the Eastcombe to Bisley road and could not see a suitable site and did not feel that it would be beneficial. The Clerk was asked to contact the County Council.

Mr Flint asked whether an answer to the letter sent to Sovereign Housing in respect of the ownership of the playground at Windyridge had been received. As there had been no answer to date, the Clerk was asked to chase it.

02.02 5. **District Council Matters**

There was nothing raised under this heading

02.02 6. **County Council Matters**

Mr Fellows told the meeting that he had handed a document to the Clerk showing all the road improvements and repairs for the next financial year. The Clerk will make this available to Councillors. Mr

Flint asked whether it was certain whether these works would take place and Mr Fellows assured him that the work would be done unless prevented by circumstances beyond the Council's control

He also stated that approval had been given by the County Council for the expenditure of £55K out of the next two years budget for a new classroom at Blue Coats School at Bisley.

Mr Bryant asked whether it was possible to ascertain the amount of the winter roads maintenance budget had been spent so far – this figure is not known.

Mr Fellows was asked if he knew when the work at Stancombe Triangle would commence. He was unable to answer and the Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Authority for this information.

Mr Fellows stated that £1000K of grant money would be available next year for permanent Jubilee projects.

02.02 7. **Finance**

Receipts	£	VAT	Total
			£
Interest			
Bisley Cricket Club – Hire of Pavilion			258.00
Hire of Bisley Pavilion			25.00
Oakridge Allotments – Rent			<u>12.00</u>
			<u>£295.00</u>
Payments			
JNC (Fire Protection) – Bisley Pavilion	21.25	3.72	24.97
Sodexo (Grass cutting)	124.00	21.70	145.70

Bisley W I (Hire of Hall)			12.00
E F Jordan (January Salary)			440.24
Inland Revenue (Tax & NI Payments)			<u>25.32</u>
	145.25	25.42	<u>£648.23</u>

Cash Balance as at 31st January 2001 - £11,139.09

The Clerk told the meeting that there was still cash available to spend this financial year and the Wards will consider this for the next meeting.

Mr Brooks proposed that the money promised to the organisations in receipt of the Rural Grants this year should now be given. Mr Carter seconded this and it was passed unanimously.

02.02 8. **Matters for Discussion**

a) **Eastcombe Allotments**

The solicitor and County Council are checking the Bisley Enclosure Award to confirm ownership of the allotments by the Parish Council.

b) **Planning – New Scheme of Delegation**

This document had been circulated to Planning Sub-Committee Chairman and the Clerk was asked to copy it to all Councillors. Mr Brooks said that it was not clear where or at what point Parish Councils would be notified of applications. Decisions should be forthcoming within 3 weeks. The District Council is trying to meet government guidelines. It was suggested that in order to reduce the time scale, e-mail could be used.

Mr Budgeon stated that he had received enquiries as to whether planning permission was needed for various activities, i.e. home working, sale of produce by farmers. The Clerk was asked to contact GAPTC for guidance on this.

c) **Meeting – David Drew MP**

Councillors were asked to let the Clerk know if they wished to attend at meeting with our David Drew MP on 27 March in Horsley Village Hall.

d) **Dr Crouch's Road Closure – Jubilee Celebrations**

The Ward had no objection to this.

e) **Transport Plan**

The Chairman stated that she had had a meeting with Mrs Turner and District Cllr Greene to pursue this project and be eligible for a grant. They are obtaining advice from a Consultant in respect of the best way forward and exploring every alternative, i.e. bus in partnership with adjacent parishes, taxi service as well as suitable routes and timings. She will report back in due course.

f) **Parliamentary Question – Second Homes**

David Drew MP had requested the Council's views on the subject of second homes. The Council considered the questions put to them and the Clerk was asked to reply to Mr Drew.

g) **Bus Service – Fare Increase**

A letter had been received from the County Council showing the increases for next year. The Council found these to be acceptable.

h) **Aims and Objectives for 2002/03**

The Chairman asked the wards to consider these and report back at the next meeting.

02.02 9. **Planning**

The following applications have been received and the following are the Council's responses during the last month.

3 Jasmine Cottages, Eastcombe

Extension to existing building – revised plans – No Observations.

Berrimans, Lypiatt

Erection of garages and 2 storey extension – Support

Stancombe Garage, Stancombe

Extension to dwelling and refurbishment etc. – Object – This is a major residential development totally out of keeping and outside the settlement area. Should be retained for small-scale commercial use only as at present.

Rectory Farm, Lime Kiln Lane, Bisley

Erection of 2 storey and single storey extension - Support

Battlescombe Farm

Revised Consultation – Support.

02.02 10 **Correspondence**

The Following correspondence was received during the Month of January.

Henley Oak Limited	Golden Jubilee Sales literature
Gloucestershire Crime Reduction Support Unit	Junior Citizenship 2002
Gloucestershire Ambulance Service	Dates for Public Consultations
Gloucestershire County Council	Councillor Leaflets
Gloucestershire Ambulance Service	Invitation to public consultation

02.02 11. **Ward Matters**

a) **Bisley**

Mr Flint stated that although the 20 mph speed restriction appeared to be working to a certain degree, there were still people speeding through the village. The Clerk was asked to contact the police to enquire as to the possibility of a speed gun and also the County Council to see if it would be

possible to install flashing lights to encourage motorists to slow down.

Mr Flint asked the Clerk to contact Severn Trent in respect of a drain in Wells Road which appeared to be broken.

b) **Eastcombe**

Mr Carter asked whether a reply had been received from Thomas Keble School in respect of the fence on the recreation ground. The Clerk said that they were awaiting a quotation.

Mr Brooks said that all the drains at Bismore Hill were blocked. The Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Authority and ask for all the drains in the parish to be cleaned.

c) **Oakridge**

The grit bin recently installed by the Highways Authority in the correct place has been moved. The Clerk was asked to contact them and ask for it to be reinstated.

02.02 12 **Date and Place of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at Bisley W I Hall at 7 30 p.m. on Wednesday, 6 March 2002.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.