MINUTES OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD at 7.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY 10 JANUARY 2001 at EASTCOMBE BAPTIST CHURCH

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 A C Newman	}	Oakridge Ward	
Mr R S Bryant	}		
Mrs E F Jordan		Clerk	
In attendance: District Cllr L C Greene			
1. Apologies for Absence			
County Cllr C Fellows (previous appointment) and Parish Cllr R Budgeon (illness)			
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2. Public Participation			
There was nothing under this heading			

Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 December

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 December 2000 had been circulated to all members. Mr Newman asked whether the figure for the precept agreed at that meeting had been altered after Oakridge Ward's subsequent discussion and was told that the figure in the minutes remained as had been resolved at the meeting. The minutes were then approved and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

4. **Matters Arising**

a)

3.

Eastcombe Accident

The wall has now been repaired satisfactorily.

b) County Highways letters

<u>Kerbing in Oakridge</u>: The Clerk was asked to reply to the Divisional Surveyor's letter of 20 December, stating that the Parish Council wished to be consulted on all planning applications for kerbing in the Parish prior to the work being carried out.

White Lines: The Clerk was asked to reply to the Senior Divisional Technician's letter insisting, once again, that the white lining in Bisley is completed as a matter of urgency.

The Divisional Surveyor's Office had also suggested that centre line marking at Nelson Hill corner was not appropriate due to the width of the road. The Clerk was asked to write and ask that this be looked at again as it was a very fast corner.

c) Yearly repair of roads

The Wards are to let the Clerk have a list of roads that need repairing which can then be forwarded to the Divisional Surveyor's Office.

d) Winter Plans

It was suggested that the County Highways' arrangements for road gritting and snow clearance over the Christmas holidays was totally inadequate and grit bins had not been filled, in many areas, before the bad weather. The Clerk was asked to write a strong letter of complaint and the Chairman will contact County Cllr Fellows in this respect.

Stancombe Triangle

e)

Plans are progressing satisfactorily. The question of cones to offer some sort of protection had been suggested to the Traffic Manager but it was considered that this was impractical.

f) New Options for County Council

No action was to be taken on this.

g) Message in a Bottle

Bisley: Matters are progressing satisfactorily.

Eastcombe: Hope to be organised by February

Oakridge: Will deal with at next Ward Meeting

5. **District Council Matters**

District Cllr Greene told the meeting that there had been some flooding in Bisley recently but sandbags had not been available. Stroud District Council's Engineer will be providing sandbags in the future for minor drainage problems.

6. **County Council Matters**

Nothing was raised under this heading. County Cllr Fellows is to be contacted to request that he attends the next meeting.

7. Finance

Receipts:

Lloyds Bank Interest	12.77
Rent from Eastcombe Allotments	97.50
	110.27
Cash Balances as at 31 December 2000	£6124.08

Payments:

	Service	VAT	Total
The Audit Commission (1998 & 1999)	443.20	77.57	520.77
N Power – Bisley Pavilion	19.92	.99	20.91
Severn Trent Water – Oakridge Village Hall	47.48		47.48

	Total Payments		78.56	£1136.11
Eastcombe Baptist Church (2 meetings)	30.00		30.00
Inland Revenue/National Insurance				21.43
Salary Cheque – Clerk (December)				405.95
E F Jordan (Clerk's Petty Cash)				50.00
Severn Trent Water – Eastcombe Allotn	nents	13.10		13.10
Severn Trent Water – Bisley Allotments		19.42		19.42
Severn Trent Water – Oakridge Allotme	nts	7.05		7.05

THE LOCK-UP

Credit Balance as at 31 December 2000

£1841.26

The Clerk had made enquiries regarding the Lock-up Account in order to achieve a better rate of interest which is presently .4% net monthly. It was agreed to transfer the account to a Lloyds Bank Premier 14 Days Notice Account with interest of 2% net monthly.

8. Matters for Discussion

a)

20 mph Speed Limit in Bisley

An acceptable plan has now been received and a letter will be forwarded to the Traffic Manager.

b) Stancombe Village Sign

Bisley Ward is in favour of village signs for Stancombe. A site meeting is to be arranged and a resident of the village will be asked to attend.

c) Trees

The Chairman asked for agreement to have trees removed that were growing round the Cherry Piece and on verges at Waterlane as the County Council will not undertake this work but have approved it. Agreement was given.

d) Skateboard

The Parish Council are not interested in purchasing this.

e) Census

Each Ward will arrange for a notice to be put in their newsletters informing of the forthcoming Census.

f)
Children's Playground Annual Inspection – April 2001

A notice has been received from RoSPA that the playground equipment will be inspected in April.

g) Windyridge

The Chairman of the Planning Sub-Committee for Bisley gave a report on the progress of the development. It is hoped to hold a Public Meeting in the W I Hall towards the end of January.

h) Rural Access Study

A volunteer was asked for to take part in this steering group. The Chairman asked for consideration to be given to this by the next meeting and stated that she would be willing to take part if no other member of the Council felt they were able.

i) NALC Publication

The Clerk was authorised to order the Local Council Review at an annual subscription of £9.99.

Items not on the Agenda but requiring immediate discussion:

Interruption to Electricity Supplies:

The Clerk was asked to put notices on Eastcombe, Stonecote Ridge and Bisley Notice Boards giving details of how to claim compensation for loss of power, if it was over 18 hours, for the period 12/13 December

Modernising Local Government

The County Council wished to forward their Programme of Best value Reviews by CD ROM instead of a hard copy. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that the Parish Council was agreeable.

The Clerk was asked to write to the County Council's Head of Secretariat asking for more time to consider the Council's Programme of Best Value Reviews 2001/2.

Planning

9.

The following planning applications had been received and considered during the month of December:

Eastcombe:

Badgers Brook, Bismore – Erection of 2 garages and repositioning of retaining wall – it was considered by the Planning Sub-Committee that this would have too much impact on the environment.

Land adjacent to Cotswold View, Bisley Road – Outline application for 1 dwelling – it was considered to be detrimental to the existing development and set a precedent for further development.

Oakridge:

Limbricks Farm, Waterlane – diversion of footpath – no objection

Vale Cottage, Oakridge Lynch – erection of extension – no objection

It was suggested that a new policy be adopted for reporting on planning applications and Mr Brooks is to prepare a paper of his thoughts on the subject for the next meeting.

10.

Correspondence

During the month, the following correspondence was received which has not been circulated to council members but was available on the table at the meeting.

It was decided not to give donations to either The Wild Life Trust or the Gloucestershire Crime Reduction Programme

Sender	<u>Subject</u>
DETR	Our Countryside: the future
English Heritage	Power of Place
Gloucestershire Constabulary	Drug Plan 2000 and beyond
Crimestoppers	Autumn/Winter 2000 handout
SDC Development & Leisure	Re: Stroud District Local Plan
SDC Housing & Environmental Services	Energywise
Stroud & District Volunteer Bureau	Annual Review 1999/2000
Gloucestershire Rural Community Council	Jumpstart – Evaluation and Future Development
The Church of England	Table of Parochial Fees
The Countryside Agency	Rural Gloucestershire – The Future – A Fair Deal – Conference Invitation
Gloucestershire Rural Community Council	Rural Voice
The Wild Life Trusts	Request for Donation
NALC	Local Council Review
Office for National Statistics	Part-time Enumerator Vacancies

RoSPA Children's Playgrounds Annual

Inspection 2001

Police & Community Consultative

Meetings

Invitation & Agenda for Meeting in Stroud, Wednesday, 17th January

2001

Gloucestershire Crime Reduction

Programme

Junior Citizenship 2001 – request for

donation.

11.

Ward Matters

a)

Bisley

As the High Street is in an acceptable state, the Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Department to request that Severn Trent carry out urgent repairs after their recent work.

b)

Eastcombe

The cleanliness of the roads and footpaths are unacceptable. The Clerk is to contact the appropriate department.

There are other road repairs still outstanding and the Clerk is to contact the Highways Department.

c)

Oakridge

Various roads in the area need sweeping – the Clerk is to contact the Highways Department.

12.

Date and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held at the Bisley Women's Institute Hall at 7.30 on Wednesday, 7 February 2001

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