

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY June 1st 2022 AT BISLEY VILLAGE HALL**

Present	Chairman Bisley Ward	Mike Eccott	ME
		Lesley Greene	LG
		Martin Brown	MB
		Hazel Saunders	HS
		Dave Partridge	DP
	Eastcombe Ward	Jenny Exley	JE
		Louie Wilkes	LW
	Oakridge Ward	Roger Budgeon	RB
		Dennis Robbins	DR
		Helen Jones	HJ
		Tony Martin	TM

Clerk
Ms A Deane

The Chairman ME reminded everyone that the meetings are recorded and please to speak clearly and no multiple conversations.

ME reminded the public that the public session is the only time they can comment.

1. Apologies for absence

TM, LW, DP and County Councillors Sue Williams

2. Declarations of interest

None

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held May 4th 2022

Approved

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

Adrian Montague to inspect a section of the wall of The Old Vicarage, which backs onto the churchyard to identify the work needed.

5. Public Participation – Members of the public were invited to address the Council

8 members of the public attended

- The owner of Frith House explained the two applications that are currently with Stroud District Council (SDC) planning and reasoning. See below. RB explained to the resident the thinking behind the Councils response, which will be explained as part of agenda item 8. LG asked about the creation of a meadow. The resident explained that there was a misconception of the removal of the top soil and it has been done to add the spoil to it to create a wild meadow.
- A resident asked about the Waterlane application and whether a business is going to be run. RB explained that the position at the moment is not a change of use. No commercial activity is noted, they would need a separate application for running a business. MB explained that if they did conduct a business without permission, it would be a case for SDC enforcement. RB confirmed that the Council would add the comment to its response that no commercial activity should take place if SDC are mindful to approve the application.

- Mr Leach, who had already met with ME and JE, explained that the residents have no objection to the expansion of the school, just the position, which is overbearing and intrusive on privacy. Residents were assured that local consultation would take place during pre-planning. There was only a presentation on April 6th with two days to make comments. Mr Leach spoke of the evidence received that there is a security issue and the local police are already dealing with bad and inconsiderate parking. Another resident agreed and said it was a very rushed process, with no communication. Originally there had only been a 2 storey building facing the residents, which has now been changed to 3 storeys. Other options had not been explored with no explanation of why not explored.

The session was closed

6. County Council Matters – To receive a report from County Councillor Sue Williams
No report received

7. District Council Matters – To receive a report from District Councillor Martin Brown
MB had already circulated his report and asked if there were any questions. The refugee situation in the Parish was raised. MB said that he was aware unofficially of 2 families going through the process in Bisley.

8. Agree the Parish Council Response to the following Planning Applications:

a) S.22/0918/FUL Thomas Keble School Eastcombe

Partial redevelopment of the existing school site.

ME confirmed that this application will be heard by the SDC planning committee, rather than it being a delegated decision. ME confirmed that this will not be before July and for residents to keep an eye on the website.

JE spoke to the plans in great detail, which were displayed via the overhead projector.

Support with comments.

It was agreed that the Clerk send the full PC response to Mr Leach, who left the meeting after this application was reviewed by Cllrs.

b) S.22/0934/TCA Jaynes Court, Back Lane, Bisley

T1 Beech with K.Deusta – fell

Support

c) S.22/0972/LBC Drakes House, High Street, Bisley

Structural repairs to main roof. Repairs to chimneys & rainwater goods. Removal of internal doors & partitions.

Support

d) S.22/1071/VAR Middle Lypiatt Grange, Middle Lypiatt

Variation of Condition Description: Variation of conditions 3 (landscaping plans) & 8 (ecology 1) for the application S.19/0547/FUL - Update plans & amend documents.

Support

e) S.22/0873/FUL, Land North Of Limekiln Lane Waterlane Oakridge

Erection of dwelling, home office and cart lodge, including landscaping and new access.

Object

f) S.22/0933/HHOLD The Pigeon House, Oakridge Lynch

Erection of rear extension, outbuilding & associated landscaping works

Comments

g) S.22/0913/VAR Waterlane House, Waterlane, Oakridge

Variation of Condition

Support

h) S.22/0794/FUL Hawthornden, Far Oakridge

Demolition of stables and construction of stables, relocation of swimming pool and decking area.

Object

i) S.22/0561/TCA Daneway Cottage, Dane Lane, Daneway, Sapperton

T1, 2 Hawthorn – Removal

Support

j) S.22/0956/FUL Frith House, Far Oakridge

Installation of a 72kWp ground mounted solar PV system

After discussions about the type of solar panels detailed in the application and the option to house them on roof space rather than in the grounds, it was agreed that the Council make comments only rather than support or object to the application.

Comments

k) S.22/0920/FUL Frith House, Far Oakridge

Conversion of existing barn to provide two staff accommodation units & land maintenance store

Support

l) S.22/1002/LBC Waterlane House, Waterlane, Oakridge,

Re-design of landscaping around natatorium. Minor changes following S.21/0534/HHOLD

Support

9. Matters for Discussion:

a) S137 grants for discussion and approval (see application forms)

I. What's on newsletter Oakridge

Approved

II. Bisley News

Approved

III. Oakridge Village website

Approved

b) Ash die back and local council replanting

The Clerk explained the Gloucester County Council (GCC) Scheme and the deadline for applications for either whips on PC land or trees on highways land of 31st July. Action: LG to take forward.

c) Play Areas Inspection Report – Work required in each ward – timescales, cost etc.

ME explained that the majority of the work was about matting, which is in poor state, plus some minor things that need resolving. Anything above ground level is not inspected. It was agreed that the Council should look for another inspection company. HS said that within a month of the report one of the cradle swings had broken and the deterioration had not been identified. HS confirmed that the two cradle swings will be replaced and the bridge needs replacing. A quote to replace has been received but not as yet taken up. HS to put together a proposal for Bisley. HJ to look at the report to assess the Oakridge requirements. ME said there was to be a presentation on proposals to enhance the Eastcombe paly area and so it makes sense to undertake all the work together. Action: The

Clerk to advise the Council at the July meeting what the reserves stand at and circulate the bank balances.

d) Proposal to avoid holding council meetings during school holidays especially half-terms

After a short discussion a vote was taken and it was unanimously agreed that in future Parish Council meetings would not take place in August and if there is a clash with half term dates then the meetings will be moved.

e) Ratification of the PC response to SDC Canal Strategy consultation

The Clerk has sent off the response, which all Cllrs took part in. Approved

f) Neighbourhood development plan progress, including grant application

ME to email TM to ask that a meeting is organised to progress the work

10. Finance:

a) Approve payments of account

Approved

The Clerk explained the ongoing situation with Lloyds bank. The Clerk to try and organise internet banking once the current issues have been resolved.

Clerk to organise a Finance meeting in July.

11. Correspondence – Clerk's report

- Use of Oakridge Green for a birthday party. Approved
- Swing broken in Bisley play area, as above. Two new swings ordered, approval from HS.
- Robert Bryant has asked for signs saying 'Please do not mow or cut this area as Comfrey is valuable food plant for insects' inside the allotments at Eastcombe. Approved
- Memorial stone at Eastcombe. Approved

12. Ward Reports – Ward Chairmen to report on Ward matters

Eastcombe

- ME and JE met with Chalford Parish Council to discuss the Thomas Keeble application, which was very helpful. Chalford have a planning Committee who go through all applications at a separate meeting, which is open to the public. Only the responses are noted at the full Council meeting, no discussions.
- ME introduced Emma Hammond, who will stand for co-option for Eastcombe Ward at the July meeting.
- ME informed the Council that Eastcombe Primary School have installed a time capsule and would like an official record captured so that in x number of years it can be opened. They are putting a plaque on the wall. The Clerk said a certificate could be produced and lodged with the Gloucester Archives.

Oakridge

- Communication from Mr Holiday concerned about the well head in front of his land. The agreement put together in 2002 with the Council, which allows him full use of it in return for keeping it in good order. Clerk to check if the Well Head outside Mill House is registered as green space and the Council owns it.
- Bonfire correspondence and also fly tipping issue. DR dealing
- Deer issue on the allotment, needs resolving. RB to progress
- Jubilee tree planted in the allotment is surrounded by rubble and overgrown with brambles. RB to ask Paul Daniels.

Bisley

- Teeds Ride maintenance
- Bring your own picnic to celebrate the Jubilee

Working together Group update – HJ gave an update

HJ met with representatives from the other Councils. There are plans to have a Town and Parish hub on line. This would be a share point where all Councils documents are housed. There are also plans to have a shared procurement process. A draft charter is also in progress. This item to be added as a regular item on agendas.

13. **Date of Next Meeting** July 6th 2022

The meeting closed at 21:15pm