

BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL

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**MINUTES OF THE BISLEY-WITH-LYPIATT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY November 1st 2023 AT BISLEY VILLAGE HALL**

Present

Chairman	Mike Eccott	ME
Bisley Ward	Hazel Saunders	HS
	Martin Brown	MB
Eastcombe Ward	Jen Exley	JE
	Emma Hammond	EH
Oakridge Ward	Roger Budgeon	RB
	Dennis Robbins	DR
	Ian Greves	IG
Clerk	County Cllr S Williams	
	Ms A Deane	



Parish Clerk

1. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Wilkes, Greene, Williams and Hughes

2. Declarations of interest

Agenda item 9

- JE for S.23/1925/TCA
- ME for S.23/1935/TCA

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council (PC) held October 4th

Approved

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

- Allowance policy to be completed and will be on an agenda for approval in January
- LW spoke on behalf of the PC at the Stroud District Council (SDC) Planning Committee meeting with regards to the Tree Protection Order (TPO) on the LAND AT, MIDDLE HILL, EASTCOMBE, STROUD S.23/1902/NEWTPO (Pages 85 - 118) New TPO/0589. The order to continue the TPO was unanimously upheld
- ME confirmed that the Neighbourhood Planning Development (NDP) working group would be meeting with Brimscombe and Thrupp PC to discuss their current Regulation 16 NDP

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

Mr C Jeynes – Oakridge Tennis Court Warden. Mr Jeynes gave a brief history of the courts and the work needed before next season. The surface is deteriorating and needs cleaning, maybe sealing and painting. The previous quote was deemed too

expensive so Mr Jaynes took an action to source another couple, which could be considered at the December PC meeting.

6. County Council Matters – To receive a report from County Councillor Sue Williams. The report had been previously circulated. C Cllr Williams confirmed she was acting as the snow plough coordinator. She also highlighted bus improvement plan, A417 work and habitat creation. MB commented that the Wildlife Trust feel the net gain is insufficient.

7. District Council Matters – To receive a report from District Councillor Martin Brown. The report had been previously circulated. MB highlighted the following:

- SDC finances are sound for the next 2 years
- Rollout of EV charging points in Stroud car parks
- Another four houses have been allocated for refugees from Afghanistan
- The Public Space Protection Order has been renewed as is

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

S.23/1956/HHOLD	Four Winds, Cheltenham Road Comments only	Erection of a detached garage
S.23/1955/HHOLD	Four Winds, Cheltenham Road Comments only	Erection of a single storey rear extension
S.23/2026/FUL	The Noddlings , Bisley Road Support	Erection of a replacement dwelling, revised driveway, new landscaping and parking area
S.23/2063/LBC	Old Pound Cottage, Stroud Road Support	Retrospective application for changes to internal fireplaces, partitions, ceilings, mezzanine
S.23/2089/TCA	Greystones, Far Wells Road Support	Sycamore Trees (1, 2, and 3) - Thinning. Height to be reduced to previous cut height (small branches); removal of some primary and secondary branches to thin density. Cherry Plum Tree - Crown reduction of circa 1.5m to 2m
S.23/2092/FUL	Fennells Farm, Lypiatt Comments only	Full Planning Application

Eastcombe

S.23/1925/TCA	Normandie Cottage , Fidges Lane Support	1. Conifer - Fell. 2. Willow - Reduce by 4 metres
S.23/1935/TCA	Brotherstones, Eastcombe Support	T1. Leylandii cypress - remove to ground level.
S.23/1944/TCA	The Manse , Dr Crouchs Road Support with comments	T1 Willow - fell to ground level
S.23/2027/TCA	Stick Heaven, Eastcombe Object	6 Ash trees - fell

Oakridge

S.23/1939/CPE	The Round, Bournes Green Support	Lawful commencement of development approved by planning permission
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9. Matters for Discussion:

a) 2024 precept

ME reminded everyone that the PC needs to agree the 2024/25 precept at the January meeting. A finance meeting will be arranged for Dec. Wards to think about budget requirement

b) Oakridge Ward

- I. Tennis Court – To agree next steps.
This topic was dealt with as part of agenda item 5
- II. Waterlane allotments and field – To receive an update
IG gave an update. One quote for clearing the overgrown allotments has been received, two others have been requested. Approval of this will be discussed at the December PC meeting
- III. Request from villagers for the reinstatement of the telephone box
Five to six years ago the telephone box was removed by BT. some villagers would like it reinstated. RB to gauge if there is widespread support for this so it can be discussed further. C Cllr Williams suggested the villagers investigated the Adopt a phone Box scheme. [Adopt A Kiosk | BT Business](#)

10. Finance:

a) Approve payments of account

Approved

b) Waterlane Allotments – approval of quotes to clear and make good for planting

Dealt with as part of agenda item 9bii

c) Tree Maintenance work for the parish – to approve the quote to undertake the work as highlighted by the last survey.

The total costs of all the recommended work amounts to just short of £30k. It was agreed that each Ward Tree responsible meet with Tree Maintenance to go through the 3 month priority recommendations and come back to the December PC meeting for approvals. Further quotes would be also needed

11. Correspondence – Clerk to report

- Request from the OPCC for a representative on the PC to join their new Councillor Advocacy Scheme. MB volunteered
- Land transfer from Chalford PC – Stonecote Ridge. Due to historic boundary changes this land is now within Bisley with Lypiatt Parish but is still being maintained by Chalford PC. Action: The Clerk to speak to SDC about the process and costs
- All 4 play areas have been scheduled for inspection

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

Bisley

- Newts found in the allotments

- Community speed watch camera for the Cheltenham Road site is in progress
- Clerk to resend allotments renewal requests

Oakridge

- DR and HS to provide the Clerk with the EVA readings from KGV pavilion and Oakridge Village Hall
- Some allotment holder in Oakridge and Far Oakridge has not received their renewals. The Clerk to resend the requests

Eastcombe

- The suggestion of a plaque being mounted on the bench at the Eastcombe cricket field will be discussed in the spring

13. Date of Next Meeting – 6th December 2023