

BROOKTHORPE WITH WHADDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4th DECEMBER 2018

PRESENT

Messrs Steve Betts [Chairman], David Kaspar, John Henry Mrs Lynda King,
Cllr D Mossman [District Councillor], Mrs A Szabo [Parish Clerk] and 2 members of the public.

The meeting began a by remembering Elizabeth Brent Smith who sadly passed away this week. She was a Parish Councillor for 30 years and very active in the Parish for a great number of years. Our thoughts go to Chris and all the family.

18/124 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Gordon Simpson and PCSO Debbie Collicot

There were no other apologies given for absence.

18/125 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th November were agreed and signed as a true record.

18/126 MATTERS ARISING

1st World War memorials – Mr Eric Hibbert reported that everything was completed in time for the memorial event which took place on Saturday 1st December. This event was well attended and appeared to be well received. Thirteen individuals were remembered and their stories told. Donations raised £145 to date to go to charities yet to be decided. The Parish Councillors thanked the Village Hall committee for their hard work towards this event. Unfortunately, due to adverse weather conditions the marquee was damaged. It was proposed by the Chairman and Seconded by Dave Kaspar to go halves with the village hall to replace this.

Overgrown Hedges – The Clerk reported that there was no new information to add at this point – write to pub. Other bits have been done.

Damaged Gateway Sign – The Clerk reported that this was being investigated.

18/127 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest to items on the agenda.

18/128 FINANCE

a) Cheques for agreement and signature

£	Mrs A Szabo	Clerk's wages plus £12 home office allowance
£75.00	HMRC	PAYE
£500.00	St Swithun's PCC	Grant
£3000.00	Brookthorpe Village Hall	Grant and Christmas Event (£1500 each)
£360.00	St Margaret's PCC	Grant
£2518.00	Mr E Hibbert	Bus Shelters/WW1 Commemorations

b) Cheques signed outside of meetings

£1124.00	Mr E Hibbert	reissued cheque
512.19	Mr E Hibbert	WW1 memorial

Powers used for Council's spending
General Power of Competence – Power of first resort

c) Precept set for the financial year 2019/20

The precept was agreed and set at £15,000. All Councillors were in agreement.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Gordon Simpson for his help in putting the draft proposal together.

18/129 PLANNING

a) New applications for discussion.

S.18/2318/FUL Wynstones School
Church Lane
Whaddon

Erection of Temporary Classroom

Councillors objected to these proposals due to access, street scene, president and out of character with existing buildings.

S.18/2373/FUL Old Orchard
Gilberts Lane

Two Storey Extension

Councillors had no objections and fully support these proposals

18/130 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report was submitted.

18/131 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Dave Mossman reported that the first air monitoring technical meeting for the incinerator, is due to be held. It will decide how best to make this information public. The first test firing will take place in March. Public will be notified as to what to expect during testing. It is anticipated that operations will begin in June.

Dave Mossman also reported that the Tourist Information Office, located in the Subscription Rooms, is due to shut.

Parish Councillors asked Cllr Mossman about S106 monies in connection with Gloucester Service Station and the proposed hotel. He stated that he would investigate this.

18/132 STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL'S EMERGING LOCAL PLAN 2022-40

The Clerk reported that in the emerging plan, land at Whaddon had been identified for housing use for Gloucester City Council, should they be able to prove that they have used all possible options within their boundary. Cllr Dave Mossman stated that the Emerging Plan document will be examined by all groups within SDC.

There is also to be possible changes to small scale planning for development outside boundary.

18/133 STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CONSULTATION

Although the Clerk highlighted the lack of weekly planning notifications and decisions and enforcements. It was decided to take no action with this consultation.

18/134 SECURITY FOLLOWING GDPR

The Clerk advised the Council that after further investigations and advise from GAPTC, the type of sensitive personal information held and the fact that most of the information held on the Cloud is in the public domain, as in the Risk Assessment dated June 2018, the risk of consequences a data breach is low. Although best practice would be to pay for secure email and Cloud, it seems that a lot of small Councils are opting to not go down that route. The Clerk also informed the Council that there appears to be problems in the setting up of Gsuite and if the council choses this course of action an alternative company may be better.

Councillors decided no further action at this time.

18/135 PURCHASE OF A SECOND MEMORIAL BENCH AT THE COST OF £1000.

This item is included in the Precept statement for 2019/20.

18/136 COMMUNITY REPORT FROM GLOUCESTERSHIRE CONSTABULARY

Cllr John Hendry outlined the latest information.

18/137 COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION

It was suggested and agreed by all Councillors that a plaque be purchased in memory of Elizabeth Brent Smith this to be placed on or near to the sundial.

It was reported that a suspicious looking white van has been seen several times in the area parked.

The Clerk was asked to put Newsletter agreement on the Agenda for February.

There was no additional information to pass on to Councillors.

18/138 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr Nigel Bone stated that he was planning a Parish Walk for 28th December.

Mr Eric Hibbert reported that he had attended a meeting at SDC re planning application for Village Hall extension. The result of which seemed favourable although, car parking spaces may need to be increased. In new year appoint an architect towards putting in a planning application forward.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

18/139 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 5th Feb

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There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.55

Chairman

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