

BROOKTHORPE WITH WHADDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1st MAY 2018

PRESENT

Messrs, Steve Betts [Chairman], Gordon Simpson, David Kaspar, John Hendry, Mrs Lynda King, Dave Mossman [District Councillor], David Hicks [Amey], Mrs Anne Szabo [Parish Clerk] and 3 members of the public.

18/036 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr K Rippington [County Councillor], PCSO Debbie Collicott.

There were no other apologies given for absence.

18/037 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th April were agreed and signed as a true record.

18/038 MATTERS ARISING

Whaddon Garage Parking – Mr E Hibbert advised that works and conditions have been approved and works are due to begin 21st May.

New Data Protection Regulations – The Clerk outlined measures to be taken to meet the new regulations and stated that she was confident that they could be achieved by 25th May.

Purchasing 1st World War Silhouettes

Works to gather Information is ongoing.

18/039 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

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

18/040 FINANCE

Cheques for agreement and signature

£	Mrs A Szabo	Clerk's wages plus £12 home office allowance
£75.00	HMRC	PAYE
£350.00	Mr E Hibbert	Electric installation for defibrillators
£1000.00	Brookthorpe Village Hall	Summer fair
£500.00	St Swithuns PCC	Grant
£40.00	GAPTC	Training
78.63	GAPTC	Subscription

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

18/041 PLANNING

a) New applications for discussion.

There were no new plans for discussion.

b) Decisions received from Stroud District Council

There were no decisions received.

c) Concerns with regard to application S.17/1535/FUL at Chambers Farm.

The Clerk was asked to investigate with Severn Trent as to what works were being carried out on the land as it is suspected that works have begun as a large quantity of scalps have been delivered.

d) Proposed planning meeting

Councillors decided not to comment on applications 2018/0305/EIAS, Severn Trent Water or S.180883/BC, Brookthorpe Court.

18/042 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr D Mossman outlined the District Council’s future policy on single use plastics, the agreement of grants for the Brimscombe Port development, the current problems being experienced with planning and enforcement due to sickness and resignations, and the forthcoming meeting to discuss alterations to junction 12 M5 to the Cross Keys roundabout.

18/043 EFFECTS ON LOCAL BUSINESSES DURING THE CLOSURE OF THE A4173

It was reported by the Chairman that initially there had been problems locally with school busses etc not allowed through and confusion over times of closures and allowances. Publicised details were not being adhered to. However, there were conflicting reports as to the effects on local businesses. David Hicks [Structural Maintenance Glos CC] agreed closure signs should be in place and apologised for the initial confusion. He stated that the work was going well and on schedule to be finished on time, weather permitting. He outlined the need for total road closure as being for health and safety reasons due to the size of the vehicles being used. The Chairman thanked Mr Hicks for his attendance.

18/044 ADOPTION OF NEW STANDING ORDERS

Deferred to next meeting.

18/045 ASSET MAINTENANCE CHECKS

Cllr Gordon Simpson reported that asset maintenance checks have been carries out, and outlined the works that needed to be carried out. The Clerk requested that he email the completed form for insurance and audit purposes, the Council’s records, and so that actions can be planned and recorded.

18/046 COMMUNITY REPORT FROM GLOUCESTERSHIRE CONSTABULARY

Cllr John Hendry outlined the latest crime awareness information that had been sent through from the Constabulary. Nothing local, although Cllr D Kaspar had had a trailer stolen recently.

18/047 COUNCILLORS’ INFORMATION

Cllr L King requested that the Council look into the use of Ley Hill workers or the Neighbourhood Wardens to carry out tidying work in the Parish.

A parishioner had made comments, via email, with regard to the parked cars on Old Forge Green. This situation should be relieved when the extra parking is in place. The Clerk was asked to contact Carol Novoth [Neighbourhood Warden] with regard to the vehicles being advertised for sale, as this is nothing to do with the garage. It was also registered that the occupiers of Jasmine House were also in the garage business and provide parking that is nothing to do with Whaddon Garage.

18/048 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Clerk was asked with regard to the new Data Protection Regulations and information regarding ex-councillors. The Clerk assured that all personal data of ex-Councillors had been shredded.

There were no other questions or comments from the public.

18/049 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 22nd May Annual Parish Meeting and 5th June for the normal monthly meeting of the Parish Council.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Chairman

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