

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2012

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs P Chester-Master, (Chairman), Cllr Mrs S Cameron, Cllr R Canton, Cllr Mrs R Freyne, Cllr Ms J Layton (District), Cllr S Parsons (County) - (prior to the meeting) and Mrs C Braidwood (Clerk)

Inspector Brian Clifford

Local Policing Team, Cotswolds Local Policing Area, Gloucestershire Constabulary

Inspector Clifford explained that he had worked in the Traffic Division for 5 years during the early part of his career and is aware of accident issues at the Toll Bar. He shares concerns about traffic speeds and is supportive of any solutions but is mind full of legal costs attached to changes in speed limits. Inspector Clifford advised the Council to lobby the support of neighbouring parishes and offered to facilitate a meeting with them and Gloucestershire Highways to seek a way forward. It was agreed that the Clerk would make initial contact with Siddington and South Cerney Parish Councils and Cirencester Town Council to explain the situation and, hopefully, gain their support.

1. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Cllr Mrs C Sutton (Personal), Cllr Mrs J Tomblin (Personal), Cllr Clive Bennett (CDC) and Cllr S Parsons (GCC)

2. Declarations of Interest & Code of Conduct

2.1 To Receive Member's Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mrs Chester-Masters declared an interest in Item 11.2 12/01813/FUL Preston Field Barn, Stow Road, Cirencester, GL7 5HA

2.2 To Adopt New Code of Conduct and Complete Register of Interest Forms

New Register of Interests forms were circulated together with advice received from CDC and GAPTC. It was agreed to give Members the opportunity to consider all of the

Action: implications and to bring this back to the next meeting.

3. Acceptance and signing of Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 5 July 2012

RESOLUTION 18/12

Cllr Mrs Chester-Masters drew attention to Item 8 which had been changed to read: It was unanimously RESOLVED to fund the cost of secondary double glazing amounting to £1,538 and it was also agreed to investigate the possibility of grant funding to cover part of this cost.

It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes were a true and accurate record of the previous meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

4.1 Purchase of Additional Dog Waste Bin

It was agreed to include a brochure in the circulation folder. Cllr Juliet Layton suggested that consideration should be given to metal objects being stolen.

4.2 SHLAA Review

Confirmation had been received and circulated that site C164 has already been discounted.

5. To Receive Reports from County and District Councillors

Cllr Layton demonstrated a very large bag which will be used for the collection of plastics to start in October. The new service will be provided in partnership with Cheltenham Borough Council and new lorries have been purchased with compartments for various types of recyclable waste. She confirmed that the plastic collection points will be closed and that the income gained from recycling will go back to CDC.

6. To Receive Questions from the Public

None.

7. Playing Field

7.1 • Update – Cllr R Canton

Cllr Canton confirmed that there has been no recurrence of rubbish and that the PCSO is keeping an eye on situation. The surface of the play area has been muddy due to the wet weather.

7.2 • Queen Elizabeth II Challenge

It was agreed that it is not possible to place the playing field in this scheme as it is not owned by the Council.

**8. Village Hall
Management Committee Report**

There will be a Wine Tasting on 5 October and a Beetle Drive on a date to be confirmed.

9. Village Affairs

9.1 Noticeboards

It was noted that Howard Spivey had assisted John Lynn in the refurbishment of the noticeboards but his name had been omitted from the Village News article.

Action:

9.2 Community Speed Watch – Cllr R Canton

Cllr Canton advised that that he has 5 community volunteers and the Council agreed to progress the Scheme.

Action:

9.3 Highways – A419 Preston Toll Bar

Feedback from meeting with Scott Macaulay-Lowe was discussed and the Clerk was requested to chase up the roundabout at the junction with Kingshill Lane.

Action:

10. Finance

10.1 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Status up to 31 August 2012 (Attached)

Noted

10.2 RESOLUTION 19/12

Approve Bills for Payment since the last Meeting including:

- Busy Fingers – Scanning and Printing £11.33
- Parochial Church Council – Churchyard Grass cutting £250.00
- Bibury Landscaping – Mowing Playing Field £294.00

10.3 Donation Request from Sue Ryder

Defer to the end of the Financial year.

11. Planning

11.1 New Planning Applications

12/03760/FUL Tesco Stores Ltd, , Kings Meadow,, Cricklade Road, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 1NP

Erection of a storage pod and canopy to replace 8 car park spaces

Response : 19 September 2012

No objections

11.2 Planning Applications Responded to Since Last Meeting

12/01813/FUL Preston Field Barn, Stow Road, Cirencester, GL7 5HA

The Organic Farm Shop, Abbey Home Farm, Fosseway, Preston, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 5HA

Installation of two 11kW Gaia wind turbines on 18m lattice masts

Members object to this application as it is not in keeping with an area that is both rural and of Outstanding Natural Beauty. In addition, the debate into the benefits of this type of renewable energy continues and is inconclusive compared to the disadvantages of its effect on the rural landscape.

Additional details received 20 June 2012

11.3 Decision Notices Received

12/01926/FUL Berkeley House, Abingdon Science Park, Barton Lane, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, OX14 3NB

13 Matthews Walk, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 1HL

Single storey lean-to extension to rear

Preston Parish Council expressed concern about the density of this development when the original planning applications were considered. It is most likely that the application to extend this property will be the first of many others giving rise to

greater concern for the density of development on this site. In addition, it raises the question of whether a full risk assessment has been carried out on how this extension (and others as they arise) will affect the sustainable urban drainage system as any reduction in the permeable surface will increase the possibility of flash flooding. Please could you advise if this has been / will be carried out ?

Permitted 8 August 2012

12. Website - To Receive Update

Council Minutes and Village Newsletters have been added to the site.

13. Correspondence

- **Correspondence Information Sheet – attached**
- **GCC – Gloucestershire Charter**
Included in circulation folder.
- **CDC – Cotswold Community Conversation – 20 September 2012**
Noted
- **CDC – Community Governance Review**
Further details from CDC to follow. However, this will include changes to parish boundaries Cirencester Town Council will be applying for a boundary change to include Kingshill Meadow within its electoral area.
- **CDC – Review of Statement of Principles relating to Licensing**
Noted.
- **GRCC – Support for Communities**
Noted.

14. Any Other Business

Members enquired about the progress of a promised cycle path from Preston to Kingshill School as part of the Kingshill Meadow development and Cllr Layton agreed

Action: to check this with CDC Planners.

**15. Date and Time of Next Meeting – Parish Council Meeting
Thursday, 1 November 2012 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.30