

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors: S Cook, B Bywater, J Hobson, P. Wait, M Percy, C Eardley and Lynn Thornton (Clerk)  
Apologies: County Councillor Thomas.

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### 237/21 Open Forum

Councillor Cook welcomed Miranda Eales to the meeting, Miranda is the Community Hubs Development Lead with Creative Sustainability, her role is to look at the public sector response to the pandemic. This role is Funded by SDC & GCC, and the aim is to identify where organisations need to focus in the future and how to connect and engage with difficult to reach residents.

Communities have the advantage of knowing who the vulnerable people are, hubs are being created as a place for people to connect. The pandemic has highlighted loneliness, people are really struggling without easy interaction with others. Cllr Bywater was encouraged by the idea of the Hub, it will make Coaley well placed to lever funding and opens up more opportunities. Cllr Bywater queried whether the hub needs to be a physical location or could Coaley be a satellite hub branching off from GL11 for example. Miranda confirmed this is a possibility, larger groups may look to support smaller groups. Miranda's role is to facilitate and support. In Painswick there are lots of groups but no central hub, and this works fine

A draft report was produced and circulated around numerous groups for feedback, Barnwood also did some research, they are looking at how we can change to make Gloucestershire more resilient and help build community resilience for any future emergencies.

Cllr Eardley queried who carried out the research for the report, Miranda confirmed it was Creative Sustainability. Cllr Eardley wondered if youth groups were also consulted, Miranda confirmed not on the initial report.

Some groups which have evolved out of the pandemic are now constituted organisations, such as Keepers (Wotton) they are working alongside GP practices, dementia support group, and getting hot meals out into the community, they are open 5 days a week and now also have a paid member of staff.

Miranda advised that Nikki Humphries an officer at SDC, is encouraging PC's to revisit their emergency plans and refresh them. The pandemic and what communities identified as needs should be added to the plan, helping to build that resilience.

Cllr Eardley asked how would the transparency would work, Coaley has lots of small groups, many of the groups are not constituted and it is not thought they would want to be. Miranda advised all groups do not need to be constituted and this is taken into consideration.

Miranda will send all appropriate links and reports to the clerk to be circulated.

Clerk

238/21 Apologies for absence  
County Cllr Wendy Thomas

239/21 Declarations of Interest by Councillors  
Cllr Wait for Planning 5b  
Cllrs Bywater and Percy Planning 5a.

240/21 Reports by District Cllr Percy and County Cllr Thomas  
Appendix I attached to these minutes is the report from District Councillor Percy.  
Appendix II attached to these minutes is the report from County Councillor Thomas.

241/21 Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meetings.

242/21 Planning

The council has received notification of the following planning applications:

- a) S.21/2686/FUL – Lapley Farm Barns – erection of side extension and provision of parking. **SUPPORTED**
- b) S.21/2721/HHOLD – Flowers Orchard, Garter Court – erection of single and two storey extensions, glazed canopy and alterations. Upgrading and re-roofing of existing annexe and alterations. **SUPPORTED**

The council has received notification regarding the following planning application:

- a) S.21/1879/FUL – Barns adjacent to Old Pigeon House, The Ham – erection of farm building. **Permission Granted**

243/21 Accounts

Incomes received and payments for authorisation

None.

Payments for Authorisation

L Thornton	443.20	Wages November 2021
E Ely	52.49	Banners for Caucan
S Cook	100.00	Editing for Newsletter
S Cook	154.99	Printing of Newsletter

244/21 Clerks Report  
Nothing to report.

245/21 Tennis courts  
Nothing to report.

246/21 Village shop

Cllr Wait confirmed things are progressing well with alcohol licence. Graham now has his personal license and the committee is waiting on the premises licence.

An Electric car points in the car park was discussed, it is understood it would be an initial outlay of £4k for one or £6k for 2 hours with a 92p return. Cllr Cook felt this was a resource every community should have.

Cllr Wait was asked to advise the council once the date of the old shop removal has been confirmed.

Cllr Wait

247/21 Village Hall Update

Cllr Hobson reported the air-conditioning system has now been updated to take in fresh air rather than recycling the air. A CO2 meter in the main hall controls the flow of air through the system.

The main hall lighting has been rewired to prevent the electricity from tripping. There are four lighting strips and prior to rewiring three of them were fed from one feed. This meant the cable was carrying a high current causing the electrics to trip occasionally and also potentially overheating the cable. The wiring has been rearranged so that the three strips now have their own feed reducing the current within each strip.

Consideration has been given to replacing the main hall lighting with an LED system but the payback time renders this uneconomic.

Quotes have been received for electric car charging points but they would be limited in terms of their performance with an hours charge only giving a 25 mile range. The return from their use would be about 92p per hour with installation costs of £4000 to £6000 depending on number of points. No decision has been taken on whether to go ahead but it would seem unlikely.

The first quote for solar panels has been received with a cost of approx. £22000 for a 13Kw. Two further quotes are in the pipeline.

248/21 Coaley Climate Action Group

Repair cafe went well, the WI attended and sold tea and cake, there was also a very popular children's activity table. The tool sharpening station was well supported.

The next one is planned for March 2002, the idea is to tie it in with the produce show.

249/21 Policing

Nothing to report.

250/21	<p><u>Footpath, ditches and stiles</u> Clerk to Darren Howard for the quote for the repairs to Norton's alley. Cllr Wait proposed contacting Ron Plumb as he may potentially be interested in quoting for the work.</p> <p>Clerk to investigate getting the hedge along the side the recreation field cut right back.</p>	Clerk
251/21	<p><u>Coronavirus Update</u> Cllr Cook advised vaccinations are going well at the new locations, presently 1100/1400 patients are going through a day.</p>	
252/21	<p><u>Allotment update</u> The hedges bordering the allotments have now been cut back, clerk to ask Pete Day about cutting the inside of the hedge at Far Green.</p>	Clerk
253/21	<p><u>Village Maintenance</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
254/21	<p><u>Highways Repair &amp; Maintenance</u> The clerk read an email out from a resident on Elmcote Lane regarding the potholes and subsidence along the road, Cllr Percy confirmed this has been raised with highways. The resident was also unhappy with the speed of the traffic using the traffic including the milk tankard. Clerk to respond to the resident.</p> <p>The clerk spoke to Yakub Mulla from GCC Highways department, he is covering for Paul whilst he is off. Highways are happy in principal for a new sign to be placed on the junction of Ticks Hill to discourage LGV's from using the lane, but they require more evidence that it is an issue. Cllr Cook to speak to Richard Carter to get more dates of when an incident has occurred.</p> <p>Cllr Eardley to report the manhole cover by The Elms, this is going to cause serious damage to a vehicle if it is not rectified swiftly.</p> <p>Clerk to contact Mr Lucas, the headmaster at the village school, concern has been raised about the security light on the front of the building, it is blinding drivers as they come into the village from Westend.</p> <p>Cllr Cook confirmed Complete utilities stopped trading, but Avonline will be taking over the contract starting the 1st quarter of 2022, avoiding the Christmas period.</p>	Clerk
255/21	<p><u>Playarea</u> Nothing to report.</p>	
256/21	<p><u>Recreation field subcommittee</u> Cllr Bywater will create a Google document for the online version of the village hall event which took place earlier in the year. Clerk to promote the document via Facebook once it is available.</p>	Clerk

- 257/21 Village Design Statement  
Cllr Percy will send the 1st draft to Cllr Cook once it is available, this will then be distributed before the next meeting.
- 258/21 Matters for forward consideration  
Next meeting changed to Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January.
- 259/21 Items for press release and publication  
Minutes

Cllrs  
Percy/Cook

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.