

GOTHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

M I N U T E S (subject to agreement at the next Council meeting) of a meeting of Gotherington Parish Council held at **7.00pm** on Wednesday 14th July 2021 in the Rex Rhodes Building

Councillors Present: Howard Samuels (Chairman), Matt Dean, Bev Osborne
Also Present: Clerk/RFO, Borough Councillors Mike Dean and Keja Berliner, 3 members of the public, candidate for co-option

21.07.01 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed attendees. There were no requests to record or film the meeting

21.07.02 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Rear was absent

21.07.03 To receive declarations of interest/requests for dispensation for items on the agenda below.

Cllr Samuels & Cllr Osborne declared an interest in item 15

21.07.04 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd June

The Minutes were agreed as a true record

21.07.05 Parish Councillor vacancies – To co-opt new members

The Council considered an application for co-option from Jess Beddows and by unanimous vote she was co-opted. She accepted by signing her declaration of acceptance of office.

21.07.06 Public Participation

A resident had raised an enquiry to Glos County Council regarding the A435 junction layout changes without response. The clerk would follow up on this.

A resident suggested that in the Community Governance Review the Council should seek to retain Dean Brook as the boundary between Bishops Cleeve and Gotherington (Cllr Dean suggested that the physical boundaries would not change)

A resident asked if the Parish Council would attend the Planning Committee meeting to object to 21/00019/FUL Part Parcel 0250 Manor Lane – Cllr Samuels stated he would attend

21.07.07 To receive and request reports from County & Borough Councillors

Cllr Dean suggested that the applicant mentioned above may apply for non-determination. He offered to speak on behalf of the Parish.

Cllr Dean suggested that County Councillor funding could be applied for to assist the Parish with projects and highway spending

Cllr Berliner introduced herself as the newly elected representative and looked forward to assisting the Council

21.07.08 To receive reports from Parish Councillors on external meetings attended

- receive Village Hall Committee minutes – Cllr Samuels indicated that these were now available on the Village Hall website

21.07.09 Project Updates

1. VAS – on order, discuss position of post on Gretton Road - Cllr Rear had raised a request to move the post from its current location but was not present to speak. Council considered that the location of current 6 poles adequate at present.
2. Tennis Courts - discuss formal arrangements with tennis club – arrangements made for a meeting on the 21st July
3. Broadband – postponed pending further information
4. War Memorial – waiting for response from Glos County Council (Craig Freeman)
5. Gazebo – Cllr Samuels/Beddows to progress

21.07.10 To receive comments on play equipment schemes and decide on next steps for consultation

Cllr Osborne indicated that she was consulting with the Working Group and would also approach Playgroup for their comments. She was asked to arrange a site meeting with members of the Council to explain the proposals before the next meeting.

21.07.11 Planning Matters

1. Discuss Bishops Cleeve Community Centre proposal – Councillors did not raise any concerns
2. Appoint representative to attend GWPCA meetings – Councillors did not volunteer to attend due to other commitments

21.07.12 Finance & Governance

1. To agree retrospectively payments made in June and agree any forthcoming payments

The following payments were agreed by unanimous vote:

Payments June	Total	Net	Vat
Came & Co (insurance admin fee)	50	50	0
GAPTC (subscription to county association)	274.3	274.3	0
HMRC (PAYE/NIC)	146.2	146.2	0
I & I Internet (website hosting)	11.99	11.99	0
I & I Internet (email hosting)	4.2	4.2	0
NEST (pension contributions)	14.74	14.74	0
Office Expenses & postage	26.7	26.7	0
MD Gibbons (Cleaning RRB)	218.5	218.5	0
PATA (payroll services)	38.25	38.25	0
BG Business (Gas bill)	85.09	81.04	4.05
BG Business (Electric Bill)	65.69	62.57	3.12
Gotherington Events Group Grant	1000	1000	0
Administration costs	576.18	576.18	0
Water Plus	223.17	223.17	0
Balance Reconciled 30 June	71778.17	2735.01	2727.84
			7.17

Payments July

Reactive Drain Solutions (clearing block RRB)	2424.6	2020.5	404.1
Cleaning	207	207	0
Smart Property (repair to booker RRB)	40	40	0
Smart Property (noticeboard)	440	440	0

install/potholes)

Admin	575.98	575.98	0
Office Expenses/Mileage	39.24	39.24	0
	<u>3726.82</u>	<u>3322.72</u>	<u>404.1</u>

2. To receive budget analysis to date

Payments to end of June £10802.45 Receipts ££35985.24 were noted

3. Confirm the current list of Standing Orders/Direct Debits – **Cllr Samuels to make available at the next meeting**

4. Confirmation of new bank details - **Cllr Samuels to action**

6. Receive quotations for Website Accessibility Compliance and ongoing management – **three quotations were circulated. It was agreed to analyse these further and raise any questions to the suppliers as the quotes were not like for like.**

7. Receive quotations for annual maintenance of the field and discuss – no further progress with Countrywide. Cricket Club would be asked to assist.

8. Hire of Marquee to Rotary Club – event cancelled

9. Employment of a Village Maintenance Person/Caretaker – agreed to take forward in conjunction with the village hall

10. Receive quotations for tree stump removal – **1 quotation received for £200 was accepted by the Council by unanimous vote**

21.07.13 Working Group Reports

Highways – Councillors are asked to agree:

Centaur site:

1. The Village signs to move up to the western edge of Centaur site

2. The Red anti skid and dragons teeth road marks are to also be moved up to the new village entry sign location

3. The speed signs are to stay where they are with a new roundel mounted on a post on the northern side of the carriageway opposite the existing

Having been given two options by the County Council to consider, the Council now found themselves with only one option which was not ideal. The Council would accept this but expressed their concern.

Environment – Discuss Communication with GCC re: footpaths – The Clerk sought clarification whether the PC were strimming the offending footpaths and seeking funding from GCC, or asking GCC to deal with them? It would be helpful if Cllr Rear could share a copy of the footpath map and knowledge about ownerships to everyone on the council.

Freemans Field – No report

JWP – No report

21.07.14 Date of Next Meeting

11th August 2021

A Resolution will be called for the Council to exclude members of the public and press Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

due to the sensitive nature of the business to be transacted under :

21.07.15 Legal Matter – Village Hall

Discuss letter from the village hall committee – the Village Hall Committee had requested a meeting. However, it was noted that the previous meeting had brought about a misunderstanding. Currently the Council could not accept that any legal transfer of the freehold title of the village hall to the Committee had ever taken place or had been intended to take place.

Also discuss telegraph pole on carpark – Cllr Samuels indicated that the location of the telegraph pole has been taken into consideration in planning the village hall extension. It was not known what had happened to the wayleave payments.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm