

GOTHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES (subject to agreement at the next Council meeting) of a meeting of Gotherington Parish Council held at **7.30pm** on Wednesday 8th September 2021 in the Rex Rhodes Building

Councillors Present: Howard Samuels (Chairman), Mavis Rear (Vice Chairman), Bev Osborne

Also Present: Clerk/RFO Borough Councillors Mike Dean, Keja Berliner, (GCC) Paul Steventon

21.09.01 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed Paul Steventon from GCC Highways who had offered his time to answer any queries

21.09.02 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Matt Dean. Cllr Beddows was absent.

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

There were no declarations or requests

21.09.04 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2021

The Minutes were approved as a true record (amendment to attendance record to confirm Cllr Matt Dean was not present)

21.09.05 Parish Councillor vacancies – To co-opt new members

Applicants are invited to submit their details to the clerk 7 days before the meeting date
There were no applicants

21.09.06 Public Participation

Highways GCC – to discuss areas of responsibility and issues in Gotherington – Paul Steventon attended and offered to chase the items of concern raised but these should generally be dealt with by the County Councillor. He was taking an interest in the roadworks opposite the garage but not his remit.

Glos Police – to discuss areas of responsibility and issues in Gotherington – PCSO Devji-Large was not available

Radio Winchcombe has asked for support to widen the scope of their broadcast to take in Gotherington – Not discussed

21.09.07 To receive and request reports from County & Borough Councillors

Cllr. Dean would follow up on completion of the Grangefield Play Park and responsibility for clearance of an overgrown footway. He advised consultation on the Community Governance Review about to close. Meadow Inquiry not yet finalised.

21.09.08 To receive reports from Parish Councillors on external meetings attended

- receive Village Hall Committee minutes – posted to their website
- appoint representative to attend Town & Parish Council Seminar at TBC at 6pm on the 23rd September – no-one available to attend

21.09.09 Project Updates

1. VAS – Paul Steventon would request a meeting with GCC to discuss new locations for poles, **Cllr Samuels to obtain costs for taller poles from previous supplier and meet with GCC to discuss**

2. Tennis Courts – Tennis club obtaining up to date quotations
3. Broadband – providers and costs – Cllr Samuels to have meeting with Airband to discuss feasibility and costs
4. War Memorial – waiting for response from Glos County Council (Craig Freeman)
5. Gazebo – Cllr Samuels/Beddow to progress
6. Footpath improvements (CIL project) – Cllr Rear to progress

21.09.10 Play Equipment – decide whether there is a project is ready to take to EOI or to defer until 2022

Cllr Samuels/Rear were in mind to defer the project due to lack of information and progress Cllr Osborne advised she had not had an opportunity to have a meeting with the parent group during the Summer holidays but would now commence the consultation. Following which it would be necessary to seek new quotes on amended schemes.

21.09.11 Planning Matters

Consultations:

21/00931/FUL Erection of a two storey side extension, rear entry porch extension and conversion of garage into kitchen. Erection of a detached 3 bay garage. Enlarged forecourt with new exit to Manor Lane. **No objection**

20/00245/FUL Erection of 113 dwellings, provision of access, drainage, public open space, landscaping and associated works. Former Nortonham Allotments Land West Of The A435 **No objection**

21/01002/FUL Removal of existing conservatory and erection of a single storey rear extension. 100 Malleson Road, Gotherington, Cheltenham **No objection**

21.09.12 Finance & Governance

1. To agree retrospectively payments made in August – Payments were approved as follows:

Payments August

Smart Property repairs to play area	345	345	0
Smart Property repairs to toilet	140	140	0
Amazon - paper towels	15	12.5	2.5
Ionos Email account	17.96	14.97	2.99
Eurolink (Annual Service CCTV)	168	140	28
Garden Services (strimming unspecified)	225	225	0
D Gibbons (cleaning RRB)	222.45	222.45	0
Admin	575.98	575.98	0
Office Expenses	26	26	0
Smart Property repairs to window RRB	85	85	0
British Gas	94.55	90.05	4.5
HMRC PAYE	146.2	146.2	0
I & I Internet	8.4	8.4	0
NEST Pension Contributions	29.48	29.48	0
British Gas	43.26	41.2	2.06
British Gas	27.96	26.63	1.33
British Gas	52.73	50.22	2.51
Reconciled Balance	67670.71	2222.97	2179.08
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2. To receive budget analysis to date – **Expenditure to end of August £17177.38 checked**
3. Confirm the current bank reconciliation – **Confirmed as at 31st Aug £67670.71**
4. Following receipt of quotations for the website upgrade, to appoint a supplier – **it was agreed to proceed with 2commune at £650 for Classic design**
5. Discuss repairs to fence at Freemans Field and agree cost – a quotation of £240 had been circulated and it was **agreed to pay 50% of this.**

21.09.13 Working Group Reports

To receive written reports which will be taken as read and not discussed except to ask questions

Highways – A group called 20 is Plenty has asked parishes to join a campaign to set all speed limits within towns and villages in Gloucestershire at 20mph – **agreed to join the campaign**

Environment – No report

Freemans Field – discuss problem of manhole cover the one lifted by a member of the public following metal detecting would be covered back in with soil and reseeded. **A further manhole cover disturbed by unknown means would need to be put back in place (Cllr Osborne to action) It was discussed whether to employ a drainage company to put cameras into the drain and check for collapse and the fact that the drain was blocked at its original source and therefore obsolete. It was assumed to be too expensive and disruptive to remove, repair or fill in. A review would take place after the seeding.**

JWP – progress on quotes for timber treatment – **Cllr Samuels would progress quotation with Smart Property Maintenance**

21.09.14 Date of Next Meeting

The date would be determined by the Clerk