Woodchester



Woodchester Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting - Minutes

Recorded by: Mandy Rossiter - Clerk

Date: 11th May 2023

Meeting Commenced: 19:00 Meeting ended: 19:30

Present:

Parish Councillors:	Peter Lead, Iain Dunbar, Liz Hasinski
District Councillors:	-
County Councillor:	Steve Robinson
Clerk:	Mandy Rossiter
Other:	8 members of public

Items

1. Welcome and Introductions

The chairman of the PC welcomed all to the meeting and confirmed that this was a Parish Meeting, hosted by the Parish Council on behalf of the residents.

2. To receive and accept any apologies for absence

Cllr McNealey, Cllr Bayham-Honri, Cllr Hasinski, Cllr Noon, Cllr Smith

3. To review and approve minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting 2022

Previous minutes were reviewed, approved and signed by the chairman

4. To receive report from chairman

The report was available for all to view during the meeting

5. To receive finance reports

The reports were available for all to view during the meeting. Cllr Lead confirmed reason for precept rise.

6. Public Forum – Q & A Session

A discussion on maintenance management within the village took place. Cllr Lead is keen for villagers to take pride in their surroundings and keep areas litter free and weeds/hedgerows managed. The PC also pay a contractor to support with the village maintenance.

Clerk and chair confirmed conversations that had taken place on the council to manage the maintenance within the village and a contract review is underway with the current maintenance contractor to set new terms and requirements. Chair confirmed that the responsibility of the general upkeep for the playing field lies with Minchinhampton rangers (whilst their football season is on). There is a need for a self closing gate at the field edge and chairman will raise this with the Cotswold Wardens. PC have budgeted for cuts of the grass – 5 cuts per year.

It was noted that the field is being well used and the local children recently held a 5-a-side game.

A member of the public asked if the planted troughs in the village could be maintained. Chairman will add a note to his Woodchester Word report to request volunteers for this.

Members of public discussed the new layout of permissive rights of way due to the Rooksmoor developments. It was noted that the footpath meets legal requirement and SDC have approved the planning.

Cllr Robinson to find out who owns lane that runs from North to South Woodchester, named locally as "the dippy" and report the poor surface quality and need for repair.

Chairman discussed the parking issues along St. Marys Hill and the previous request for double yellow lines to be put in and managed. PC has received an invoice for £3,000 from GCC to begin the project. Will be discussed further in council's general meeting.