

Minutes of the meeting held 11 April 2022, War Memorial Hall, Cleeve Prior

Present: Councillors: Mary J Smith, Peter Wilson (Chairman), Ron Solomon and Donna Millimono

In Attendance: Nine members of the public, WDC Cllr H Robson, WCC Cllr A Adams & Sean Arble (Clerk).

- 001 Apologies received from Cllrs Kevin Mellor, Ian Robinson & Doug Carr.
- 002 Cllr R Solomon declared a non-pecuniary interest minute 030 – planning application W/22/00612/CU.
- 003 No dispensations requested.
- 004 The **Council resolved** to approve the **MINUTES** of the 14 March 2022 meeting held at War Memorial Hall, Cleeve Prior.

FINANCE

- 005 The **Council resolved** to approve the payment schedule.

Ref	Payee	Details	Net	VAT	Total	Paid on 11.04.22 unless otherwise noted
1	N Lane	March Lengthsman	£135.00	£0.00	£135.00	
2	S Arble	March Wage	£484.36	£0.00	£484.36	
3	S Arble	March Expenses	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00	
4	SSE	March Electric	£8.06	£0.40	£8.46	
5	SSE	March Electric	£9.65	£0.48	£10.13	
6	SSE	March Electric	£45.40	£2.27	£47.67	
7	IONOS	April website & 2022 Domain	£24.99	£5.00	£29.99	20.04.22
8	CP Memorial Hall	Oct-Dec 2021 Rent	£39.00	£0.00	£39.00	
	TOTAL		£796.46	£8.15	£804.61	

- 005 The Year End Finance Report was noted. The accounts reconcile and total £51,684.73.

PROGRESS REPORTS

- 006 Froglands Lane Verge & Pond: The Clerk requested an additional solicitor recommendation from Avon Planning, but N Pearce didn't offer further suggestions. The Clerk once again requested the name of the person handling the file and was assured, he would be contacted. To date, no contact has been made.
ACTION: Clerk to seek a local solicitor to take over this matter.
- 007 Evesham Rd Development: Mr D Rahal confirmed that several surveys and reports have been or are scheduled to be completed. He believes the detailed application will be submitted by late May.

H Peachey will not become heavily involved in the matter until the application is submitted.
- 008 Cllr Wilson emailed a letter to J Champion outlining the recent anti-social/criminal behaviour in the parish. To date there has been no reply.
- 009 Grip on Hoden Lane: The Clerk has placed several phone calls and emails to Kingsmoor Farm. There has been no reply for several months. The work order was issued in July 2021 and the work was meant to be completed by January 2022.



ACTION: Cllr Smith to speak with M Rawlings.

Cllr Robinson reported that a team was surveying land behind the Kings Arms. Cllrs thought it likely this is Severn Trent planning for new pump/new sewer main running north-south through Cleeve Prior. Cllr Solomon received a letter about the new sewer main.

- 010 31.03.22 F Argyll email re bollards at PROW 503/B4015 junction – site visit planned for 20 or 21 April.
- 011 A £300 defibrillator is on offer from London Hearts. However, as discussed in the Clerk's October 2021 Defibrillator Report, the Mindray C1A on offer is a fairly new unit and would still cost more than the recommended Heartsine 360P defibrillator even with the grant. **ACTION: Cllr Smith to explore the issue.**
- 012 Grass Cutting Playground Fenced Area: The school's contractor quoted £120.45 plus VAT to cut and collect and £87.50 plus VAT to cut. The Clerk requested a quote from its contractor, Limebridge.
- 013 J Dean 10.02.22 email re grass verge West End/Nightingale Lane – the Clerk requested Limebridge not to cut this area and suggested to J Dean to rope the area off.
- 014 CJ Humphrys 01.02.22 email re litter in Evesham Rd ditches – WDC Cllr Robson is investigating the matter. The Clerk requested the Lengthsman to pick easy to clear litter from the ditches when working in the area.
- 015 S106 Grant application to clear the land off Quarry was submitted. N Thornton is reviewing the application to ensure it is ready for the May Committee meeting.
- 016 Quarry Lane Repairs: On 04.04.22 L Gayton of Severn Trent reported that an application to close the public right of way must be obtained. The work will take ~4 weeks and a 6-week mobilisation prior to commencement of works. L Gayton also stated that some works are not the responsibility of Severn Trent. The works include:
1. stoning the soft spot in gateway to Millennium Green
2. all spoil will be removed from the site, therefore regrading top soil over the Millennium Green mound, repairing damaged areas around the mound, digging out ditch to Quarry Lane/Millennium Green will not be done.
ACTION: Clerk to request an update as to when Severn Trent intends to apply for a closure of the public right of way.
- 017 Playground equipment purchase order was submitted. It is reasonable to expect work to be completed by the 03.06.22 Jubilee Celebrations. The start date will be confirmed at the Pre-Start meeting to be held with Cllr Mellor.
- 018 Legacy Grant CPO Land Clearance Consultation took place on 06.04.22. The Clerk forwarded three consultation replies to Cllr Robinson. Several more replies were received by Cllr Robinson.
- 019 The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time from 7:45-7:55pm. See notes at end of minutes.
- 020 WDC Cllr Robson Report:
A. The SWDP is under review.
B. A new community-based transport scheme, Ticket to Ride, will commence in the near future.
ACTION: Clerk to email Legacy Grant Expression of Interest to WDC Cllr Robson.
- 021 WCC Cllr Adams Report:
A. The Lengthsman Scheme is very good and unusual; Worcestershire is one of the few counties which offer the scheme.



B. RE 22/00612/CU: highway access is not ideal, but there is 5.5 metres access and highway regulations are clear that this is adequate.

C. Area Traveller pitch quota has been met.

D. It would seem the drive behind the Evesham Rd houses was owned by WCC for access to the rear fields. Hopefully this remains the case, but more likely that a joint agreement between WCC & Rooftop will be necessary. The Legal Dept is handling the matter.

E. There will continue to be roadworks in the area. Please use one network for updates.

CLERK'S UPDATE

022 Correspondence for Consideration (not otherwise noted): none

Tabled Correspondence (not otherwise noted):

023 Three messages from same parishioner which suggested the Council spend the Resident's Association money on engaging a planning expert/QC for the Haywood Way Traveller application. The Clerk responded that the Council does not control these funds, but it did request a grant from the association to help fund the Queen's Jubilee celebrations. The Other messages requested the Council to seek expert advice.

024 Road closure commencing 28.04.22 for two days: close B4085 Evesham Rd at junction with C2114, Arrow Lane in northerly direction. for footway reconstruction. The Notice with map is posted on the Council website.

025 A parishioner reported a serious dog attack from Evesham Rd Traveller Site on 02.04.22 to the Clerk. The Clerk forwarded the information to Officer M Beards. There is a police investigation in progress.

026 SSE informed the Council that electricity rates will be rising from April 2022.

Continuous use will rise from 33.07 pence per unit to 51.95.

Half night pre-dawn use will rise form 15.17 pence per unit to 55.39

Dusk to dawn use will rise from 15.06 pence per unit to 50.86

027 Correspondence sent (not otherwise noted): none

028 Reported Issues: none

PLANNING

029 WDC approved W/22/00166/HP: Sun Court– proposed office/study and garden room. The Council had no objections.

030 The **Council resolved** to object to W/22/00612/CU – change of use of land to use as a residential caravan site for seven gypsie families each with two caravans, including no more than one static caravan together with laying of hardstanding and erection of four utility buildings.

Ten objections were raised. The main objections were

A. There is already an adequate supply Traveller pitches in the district.

B. A thirteen pitch site would dominate the local Haywood Way and The Close

C. There is a lack of information regarding surface and foul water disposal

Cllr Wilson explained that an appeal would be between WDC and the applicant.



The Council did not seek legal advice for this application because of its similarities to the original application. If there is an appeal the Council will seek legal advice.
The Council met with V Allison on 08.04.22 to reinforce the Council's position on issues affecting the parish.

Cllr Smith thanked Cllr Wilson for his hard work in preparing the objection.

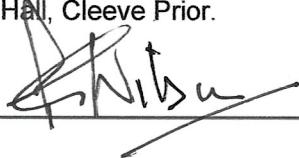
NEW MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- 040 The **Council resolved** to approve the WCC 2022-23 Lengthsman Agreement.
- 041 The **Council resolved** to approve the 2022-23 Lengthsman contract without amendments.
- 042 A discussion was held about the Lengthsman performing activities outside the basic 'lengthsman remit' and/or working increased hours within the contract. Cllr Wilson read out a pre-prepared contribution from Cllr Robinson about 'council obligations for monitoring and verification methods'. It was agreed that a short report is required to address the whole subject and make recommendations, to be prepared for the next meeting. **ACTION: Cllr Wilson**
- 043 The **Council resolved** to purchase used gardening equipment which includes a Flymo, hedgecutter & strimmer, for £150. The equipment could be stored at the Memorial Hall. **ACTION: Cllr Wilson to ask T Carr if he will store the equipment since he is already storing equipment on behalf of the Council.**

CLLR REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 044 Cllr Smith reported that Queen's Jubilee planning is progressing very well.
A. 150 tickets are printed; 75 tickets sold
B. Flyer will be sent out to each household after Easter
C. Catering is for a maximum of 150 people; Greek food and strawberries & cream
D. Grants include £100 from WDC, £500 from WCC Divisional Fund & ~£400 from the Residents Association.
- 045 Cllr Solomon reported that the willow tree on the verge near his property was pollarded.
- 046 The meeting closed at 8:45pm.
- 047 **DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:** 7:30pm on 9 May 2022 at War Memorial Hall, Cleeve Prior.

Signed



Date

9th MAY 2022

OPEN FORUM NOTES

- A. A parishioner reported that the Resident's Association funds are allocated. Once the funds are distributed the association will shut down.
- B. A parishioner reported that he was on-site with D Rahal today:
- ecology report will soon be finished
- survey complete
- water test and bats report are scheduled