Minutes of the Council Meeting Held at the Memorial Hall, Cleeve Prior on Monday 9th October 2023

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Present Councillors - Peter Wilson, Chairman, Cllr. Mary Smith, Vice Chair, Cllr. Ian Robinson, Cllr. Nicky Marshall. Cllr. Hannah Robson, Cllr. Alastair Adams, Cllr. Judith Ciotti **In attendance** - Stacey Smith, Clerk.

Three members of the public.

	Apologies for Absence Cllr. Sandra Vincent										
2.	Declaration of	Interests -	None								
3.	Acceptance of Minutes: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11 th September 2023 at the Memorial Hall, Cleeve Prior were considered and approved by the Council to be signed as a true record of the Meeting and were signed by the Chairman.										
	Open Forum. T	he meeting	g was suspended	for the public	forum.						
4.	a) The council resolved to approve the payment schedule Heritage Trust items 2/3 have been delivered										
	Cleeve Prior Parish Council PAYMENTS LIST										
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	67 Insurance	12/09/2023	Treasurers Account	Materials	EON	S	5,444.02	1,088.80	6,532 6,532 .		
	68 Heritage Trust Support	21/09/2023	Treasurers Account	Materials	Press Fruit Limited	S	554.17	110.83	665 665.		
	69 Heritage Trust Support	21/09/2023	Treasurers Account	Materials	Office Furniture Online	S	170.00	34.00	204.		
	70 Heritage Trust Support	26/09/2023	Treasurers Account	Materials	Ron Smith & Co.	S	773.33	154.67	928. 928 .		
	71 Website	21/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Website & Email Hosting	IONOS - 1-1 Internet Ltd.	S	15.00	3.00	18.		
	72 Phone	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Phone	Tesco Mobile	x	15.99		18. 15.		
	73 Parish Lengthsman	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Lengthsman	Nick Lane	x	141.75		15. 141.		
	74 WCC Grass Cutting	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Limebridge Mowing	Limebridge	S	610.00	122.00	141. 732.		
	75 Laptop & Software	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Printing Reimbursement	HP Printing	x	4.49		732. 4.		
	76 Administration Support	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	External Audit	PKF	s	210.00	42.00	4. 4		
	77 Memorial Hall Rent	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Office Rent	Cleeve Prior Memorial Villag	ge X	80.00		252. 0 80.		
	78 Administration Support	22/10/2023	Treasurers Account	HMRC	HMRC	x	80.20		80. 6		
	79 Clerk's Wage	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Clerk's Wage	Stacey Smith	x	576.40		80. : 576.		
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	80 Administration Support	10/10/2023	Treasurers Account	Wychavon District Council	Wychavon District Council	x	50.00		576. 4 50.		

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5. Progress Reports 427

a) Evesham Road Development

After a discussion about the status of the Evesham Road planning application, it was resolved that we should try for a meeting with WDC officials Vic Allison, Heather Peachey, Sean Herbert and Gavin Greenhow. Cleeve Prior Parish Council is anxious about the status of the development application process. Delays in the registration of the application could lead to the failure of the developer gaining ownership of the various plots of land involved in the potential development. This in turn could see the current site descend further into a criminal haven. Part of the justification for this meeting is the number of recent developments affecting the application.

These are:-

- a) Legal advice to Malvern Homes insisting that West Country Development has no case for suing Wychavon Council over the registration of the Malvern Homes application.
- b) Recent clarification over the ownership of several plots on the site.
- c) CPPC wish to understand the current situation and how it will affect the Parish.

ACTION: PC will be pressing for a meeting with Vic Allison, Sean Herbert, Gavin Greenhow and Heather Peachey at Wychavon District Council.

b) Kings Arms Progress Report

A public meeting has been arranged for Wednesday 11th October at 7.00 pm Chair and Cllr. Robinson to produce an agenda. The primary objective is to facilitate a meeting for the community to declare an interest in forming a group for the purchasing of the pub by the community. Due to the pub's current status as an asset of community value, the right for the community to be considered as a potential bidder has now been instigated and it will be up to any group formed to bid before the end of January 2024.

c) Community Emergency Plan

Jem Teal's presentation was circulated.

Cllr. Eden believes it is a District and County Council responsibility.

ACTION: Emergency information to be disseminated with the newsletter taken from Wychavon District Council advice.

ACTION: Cllr. I Robinson to draft text.

d) Footpath – Mill Lane – No date yet confirmed.

e) Tree Ownership on the Public Footpath by allotments, Froglands Lane

Cllr. Smith has been in contact with Heather Bainbridge from Public Rights of Way. Any safety issues with the trees should be reported to the Public Rights of Way team.

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6. **Councillors' Reports**

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Cllr. Hannah Robson

The South Worcestershire Development Plan has been submitted for examination to the Secretary of State.

Cllr. Robinson: Can the PC find out if our objections/amendments were taken on board? - It will be on the website.

The Haywoods Way appeal is being rescheduled.

Cllr. Ciotti sent on the information on the Community Ownership Fund. (See Correspondence 7b).

7. Clerks' Updates and Correspondence

a) Updates

Implementation of new Councillor Emails
 All Councillors are now using the new Emails.

ACTION: Clerk to send the new Email addresses to Cllr. Robson, Cllr. Ciotti and Cllr. Adams

2. Internal Audit recommendations progress report

Financial Risk Assessment is due by the end of October. It will be an agenda item every six months for review.

ACTION: New Risk Assessment to be circulated by Cllr. Robinson.

3. School Lights

The Head of School has been visited regarding the installation of an app for scheduling the school lights.

- **4.** AGAR Discussed in 4. Finance.
- 5. CALC Clerk's Gathering

The Clerk attended an online Clerk's Gathering with CALC. The new national pay scales for 23-24 are still being negotiated. The expectation is that they will be agreed in November and that there will be a £1 an hour increase, backdated to 1st April 2023

6. Facebook/ Social Media – It is a useful tool for information sharing and community connectivity. Positive messaging is needed to counteract the negative media the village has received relating to crimes committed by a minority on the outskirts. The Clerk will continue to produce content to showcase the village and inform the community of events and relevant local information.

b) Correspondence for Consideration

1. Faith Quin - Invitation to attend the licensing of the new Reverend Joanna Fielding. (Forwarded to Chair 3/10/23)

Chair was happy to accept the invitation for the event on 5th November.

2. Elizabeth Geraghty - Request for consent for IBC and lean-to on allotment plot (circulated 30/9/23)

PC has no objections.

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3. Community Ownership Fund – Information forwarded by Cllr. Robson (circulated 3/10) – Discussed in relation to the Kings Arms and the fund could be considered by the working group that forms from the public meeting.

8. Planning Applications

Applications

a) W/23/01651/FUL Sharrow Bidford Road Cleeve Prior Evesham WR11 8LQ Change of use of a residential annexe to a residential holiday letting unit. Consultation end 28/9/23 - comments submitted, decision pending.

Approvals

a) W/23/01286/LB Manor House Bidford Road Cleeve Prior Evesham WR11 8LQ Installation of through-floor lift

Refusals None

Motions for Councillors' Consideration

9. Village Newsletter will be a future agenda item.

10. | Councillors' Reports and Future Agenda Items.

Cllr. Wilson – Haywood Way appeal is being rescheduled. We have established that our barrister will be available for the proposed revised date in November. When the situation is clear, the Clerk will arrange a Zoom meeting with the Barrister for refresh session.

ACTION: An update meeting is to be arranged with David Rahal. (Chair)

Cllr Robinson: Nick will take over the upkeep of the planters. Mill Lane Nurseries will plant for £40 per planter (£80 total). Agreed.

The wooden sign erected by the previous garage tenant needs to be removed.

ACTION: Cllr Smith

Should dispensations go to the Clerk for displaying on the website?

ACTION: Clerk to check with CALC what is actually required.

Cllr Mellor asked about the unsightly water containers positioned just off the Bidford Road entrance to the Village.

ACTION: Cllr Smith will speak with Mr. Barber.

Future Items - Sale of land by the garage.

11. Date and venue of next meeting:

The meeting closed at 9.18pm

Monday 13th November 2023 at War Memorial Hall, Cleeve Prior, WR11 8LG at 7.30 pm

Signed	Date	