

**MINUTES OF WITHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING MEETING HELD ON  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018 AT THE JUBILEE HALL, WITHINGTON AT 7.30 PM**

**PRESENT** Cllr Glenys Webb, Cllr Mavis, Lady Dunrossil, Cllr N Lowe, Cllr Brenninkmeijer, Cllr Theyer, Cllr Gibbs and the Clerk

1 member of the public

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE; Cllr Bruce, Cllr Hughes**
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:** Cllr Lowe and Cllr Brenninkmeijer and Cllr Dunrossil.
3. **MINUTES OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on the 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

3.1 **Matters Arising - progress report and actions from the previous meetings**

It was reported that the Wall around the village green has been damaged again, this wall in the village green is still in disrepair, it was reported that it keeps being rebuilt and then it is knocked down again. Cllr Theyer will speak to the stone mason about coming out and re-building it.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

1. **Planning Applications:**

**18/03534/FUL Ravenswell Farm**, Cllr Lowe and Cllr Brenninkmeijer left the room

The application was discussed and whilst the Parish Council Supports the business they were very concerned with the increase in traffic from lorries going to and from the farm, concerns were raised how this application will affect the village of Withington should be the preferred route, but that that road is in poor repair, very narrow, steep in places has numerous S bends and is currently a very dangerous road.

The Parish Council are also concerned that the increase in traffic to and from the farm will result in more traffic going through the village, to avoid the farm and heading out on the North Road, causing problems at the sharp bend by the Mill Inn and then passing the primary school, this road is also currently in a poor state of repair.

The Parish Council suggest that the applicant looks at a different road access from the farm directly onto the A40 as an alternative route to those mentioned above.

Voted 3 against and 1 for the application

### **18/03578/FUL Oak framed Gazebo at The Close**

Cllr Dunrossil declared an interest to this application.

The Parish Council discussed the application and there were no comments to be made,

Voted – Unanimous, in favour of the application

### **18/04060/TCONR works to trees**

For information purposes only

### **18/03890/CLEUD Cassey Compton House**

This is a listed house

Agreed it brings tourism to the area, will attract business rates all in support of this application voted unanimously.

### **Action for the Clerk to update CDC website**

## **2. Finance**

Cheque to be raised for:

Gloucestershire Playing fields association £50

Wickmedia Domain Renewal £24

## **3. Correspondence received by the Council**

- Clerk brought the timetable for Xmas refuse bin collections. The Chairman will pin it on the notice board.
- E-mail from GAPTC to ask for a Cotswold Parish Councillor to sit on the GAPTC Council and for nominations to express an interest by the 30<sup>th</sup> November.

## **4. Any Other Business**

Cllr Webb updated that last Monday she was going to attend a meeting at Northleach to discuss the funding to open the closed road. She updated that following, GCC having looked at all the options available, Highways are proposing the following in order to reopen the road. The proposed scheme would see a single lane track from near the top of the hill, running for about 150m down to the failed section. This would have hatched road markings to narrow the existing carriageway width down to a single running lane with passing places to manage traffic through the landslip area. At the existing area where the landslip has occurred, they would install new timber post and rail fence line to form a barrier from passing vehicles.

Coming down the hill the right-hand lane by the woods would be the lane that is opened. Highways propose to use the long single-track access and secure fencing as a traffic calming feature along with signage and bollards to reduce speeds. This will give vehicles plenty of time to slow down as they approach the affected area. A 17-metre-long section of the road will need to be dug out to rebuild the drainage pipes so water is removed rather than lubricating the ground which could accelerate the slippage. This is not a long-term permanent solution but it is a temporary one which will enable the road to be reopened. There would be a weight limit on vehicles implemented.

The total scheme will cost £58K and some of this has already been allocated.

Following the meeting, the Town Council were approached by Stowell Park Estate. They have offered £5K to support the reopening of the Old A40 it was agreed that this would be discussed at the Extraordinary meeting to take place on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October but was cancelled at the last minutes as Glos. County Council agreed to fund the short fall. Cllr Webb said that they are hoping to open the road in March 2019.

Water - There are ongoing issues with the water supply to Withington with floods and also the water being turned off. Cllr Webb, gave a brief update regarding recent problems with the water supply. Cllr Webb updated that she has spoken to Chedworth Parish Council who have negotiated a rebate for the whole village.

She said as we often have the same issue and it has been off for more than 12 hours at a time, she wanted to gain approval from the Parish Council to write to Thames Water on behalf of the village and also get a rebate. Cllr Brenninkmeijer also asked her to include businesses as they have to use a different supplier but still have the same disruptions. There has been a burst water main which flooded the whole village. It was agreed that Cllr Webb, would send the letter.

**MEETING CLOSED: 08.30 pm**