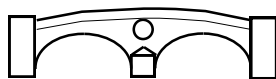


MAISEMORE PARISH COUNCIL



DRAFT MINUTES – NOT YET AGREED

Minutes of Maisemore Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th January 2022 at 7.30pm at Maisemore Village Hall Committee Room.

Present: Cllrs. David Jones (Chairman), Debbie Burgess, Carole Banks, Anne Nicholson.

In Attendance: Leo Williams (Clerk), County Cllr. Phil Awford (Arrival noted at approx 8.10pm due to his prior attendance at another meeting) and up to 8 members of the public. The meeting started at 7.30pm.

Public participation

The following matters were raised by members of the public:

- (i) E-scooters, believed to be illegal, have been seen being used. **ACTION** – Clerk will notify our nominated PCSO;
- (ii) The meeting was informed of improvements to the lakeside path;
- (iii) Concerns were raised over the viability of the parish church. The clerk advised that the relevant legislation outlawed financial support from the council. Members noted that the date of an important rearranged meeting had not been circulated;
- (iv) A question was asked about the proposal to erect a barn. It was explained that TBC had made suggestions re the position of a service track which the landowner thought to be inappropriate. TBC Planning were not now communicating on the matter. The chairman said that MPC will need to formally pursue the matter;
- (v) A new seven-day delivery service for newspapers was discussed;
- (vi) People were asked to be vigilant re illegal driving in fields. **ACTION** – Item for The Grapevine.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Robert Scott, apology accepted. District Councillor Jill Smith (attending another meeting) and Paul McLean (isolating).

2. Declaration of Interests

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest held by Tewkesbury Borough Council and to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and their nature. No such interests were declared.

3. Clerk

Members accepted the clerk's report. He pointed out that the new bin for the bus stop had arrived. The clerk added that he had not been able to confirm a delivery date for the bin to be located by the A417 layby near Over but expected it to be months, not weeks. It was **agreed** that he should look into potential alternatives and investigate installation options.

County Councillor - Cllr. Phil Awford read his report. In summary:

1. Work has been dominated by the GCC Budget including a five and a half hour scrutiny session for members on Thursday last week.
2. Given a better than anticipated RSG settlement from Government. The budget will be £519,833,000 and based on just a 2.99% increase in Council Tax made up of a 1.9% increase in Council Tax and 1% increase for Adult Social Care. This equates to £42.14 on the typical Band D property. Obviously Adult Social Care and Childrens Services remain key priorities for GCC together with Highways and Climate Change.
3. There are nine strategic priorities in all as we face up to the ongoing issues and increasing demand, eg. 848 children are looked after in Gloucestershire together with 28,600 adults over 65 needing care services.
4. Locally and helpfully there will be an increase in the Elected Members Highways Local Funding of £10k per annum which will help bring some of the local schemes forward. That said, I have to spread this £30K a year across the whole division and will seek to bring forward schemes given GCC investing another £100 million in improving our highways with more focus on rural roads together with nearly £10 million going into the pothole action fund.
5. Other highlights are investment in Rural bus services and £300,000 into identifying 20MPH zones together with a commitment to plant 1 million trees to aid the challenges around climate change and carbon reduction
6. Scrutiny session can be viewed via the link on the GCC website

District Councillor - Cllr. Jill Smith reported as summarised:

1. Gloucestershire County Council budget, see above.
2. Ashchurch Bridge – decision taken by TBC planning committee to permit was taken to judicial review by the PC. The application was dismissed and court found in favour of the Borough Council;
3. Hyper Acute Stroke Unit has temporarily been moved to CGH to increase capacity at GRH (Emergency measure not needing consultation);
4. Mike Dawson the Chief Exec of TBC is to retire in June. Recruitment processes are underway;
5. Planning Consultation – details were in the letter sent to PCs in early December. It is proposed this goes to full Council so that an official consultation with PCs can take place. Further details to follow.

4. To Confirm the Minutes of Maisemore Parish Council Meetings Held On Monday 8th November 2021.

The minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 8th November 2021, having been previously circulated, were agreed as a true record and were signed by the chairman.

5. Finance

a. Invoices for Payment – Cllr. Jones claiming £9.99 in respect of printer cartridges. **Agreed.**

b. Payments made between meetings were ratified.

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| (i) | 29/11/2021 | Alpha Colour Print Ltd, Invoice 80190 | £ 32.00 |
| (ii) | 29/11/2021 | REL Williams, Wages October 2021 | £176.62 |
| (ii) | 29/11/2021 | HMRC Re (ii) | £ 44.20 |
| (iii) | 06/12/2021 | ICO (Direct Debit) | £ 35.00 |

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| (iv) | 04/01/2022 | Alpha Colour Print Ltd, Invoice 80382 | £ 26.00 |
| (v) | 04/01/2022 | REL Williams, Wages November 2021 | £176.62 |
| (vi) | 04/01/2022 | HMRC Re (v) | £ 44.20 |

c. Financial Report - Treasurers account balance as at 5th January 2022, £20,069.01. **Noted.**

d. Accounts - To accept the updated parish accounts, Appendix B. **Accepted.**

e. Budget 2022/23 – The second draft budget was discussed. A third draft will be circulated. Precept of £5,000.00 was **agreed** in order to reduce general reserves.

6. Correspondence –

(i) Severn Trent Community Fund is launching a one-off grant round in January to support projects tackling climate change. **Noted.**

(ii) Tewkesbury Borough Council have invited engagement on their Housing Strategy 2022-2026. To do so please use the following link.

<https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/housing-strategy-consultation>. **Noted.**

7. Planning – A: For Consideration – 21/01314/FUL Ty Newydd, Maisemore, GL2 8EU. Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) for the planning application 21/00108/FUL to allow for alterations to porch. Following discussion it was agreed to offer **no comment**.

B. To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting – 21/01376/FUL - Erection of a single storey side and rear extension. Rudge Villa, The Rudge, Maisemore, GL2 8HY. There were **no objections**.

C. Decided by Tewkesbury Borough Council – (i) 21/01107/FUL The Old Vicarage, The Rudge, Maisemore, GL2 8HU. Erection of a single storey side and rear extension. **Approved** on 21st December 2021.

(ii) 21/00586/FUL Part Parcel 3800, The Rudge, Maisemore. Construction of in-field agricultural hardcore tracks (part retrospective). Permitted on 20th December 2021.

(iii) 20/01275/AGR General Purpose Agricultural Building. Land Off Church Road Maisemore. (This is the proposed new barn by the village hall) The application is noted at TBC's website as being "Decided" and the decision is given as "Non-Intervention".

(iv) 21/01376/FUL Rudge Villa, The Rudge, Maisemore, GL2 8HY. Erection of a single storey side and rear extension. Permitted on 6 January 2022.

D. Planning Enforcement – It was noted that no updates have been published. Members observed that Planning Enforcement seem willing to confront minor individual dwelling house matters whilst failing to do so in respect of larger developments.

E. Matter of Local Concern – P1307/21/OUT Outline application for 50 residential units, land at Gloucester Road, Corse. This is Phase 1 of a new housing estate in Corse and comes on top of other recent development in that area. there and with no indication of the size of the eventual development. **Resolved**, MPC will **object** based on the increase in traffic citing increased congestion on the A417 and flooding issues.

8. Platinum Jubilee – How to best celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II was discussed at some length during Public Participation. The chairman began by reading an email sent in by a member of the public. The parish will be a part

of the beacons ceremony on Thursday 2nd June and one or more parties were suggested for Sunday 5th June. Members agreed that the project will require leadership and a leaflet drop might be appropriate. **Actions:** (i) Cllr. Burgess will approach Village Hall committee; (ii) Matter to be included in The Grapevine.

9. **Four Parishes Magazine** – After discussing the current situation it was resolved to monitor the situation without further action at this point.
10. (a) **Councillors Reports and Items for Future Agenda** - Gigaclear presently have a £17 offer on for fibre broadband. MPC to suggest to the MVHC that it changes its current landline service to this very affordable Gigaclear deal to provide good value enhanced connectivity.
- (b) **Highways Matters** – (i) **Footpaths at Overton Farm:** Two parish councillors met up with Suzanne Hopes, GCC's relevant PRow officer, and walked through the area demonstrating where the existing PRows are blocked by tipping, debris and construction storage. She was going to contact both Complete Utilities and Hartpury University to discuss. Nothing heard back since and CU entered administration on 11th November 2021.
(ii) **Vehicle Activated Signs:** No decision reached as discussions continue with the current supplier re the existing unit. Given the cost of repairs members may opt to buy two new units and scrap the existing one.
(iii) **Sustrans Cycleway NCN 45 Maintenance:** The chairman had circulated a detailed report re the history of this track and maintenance issues. It was **resolved** to wait and see how well maintained this route will be in the new growing season.
(iv) **Parking in Church Road:** After discussion about these ongoing issues it was resolved that the clerk should contact the occupant of 1 Church Rise, Maisemore to discuss positioning a suitable sign and, if agreed, to purchase such a sign.
- (c) **Environmental Group** - The chairman explained that nothing had been heard from the group leader for some while before reporting very little change at any relevant site.
- (d) **Parish Council Website** – Cllr. Jones told the meeting that, in spite of every effort, no progress had been possible. He suggested members and the clerk take a close look at <https://www.parishcouncil.net/website-packages.php> as a potential alternative.
- (e) **Flooding and Drainage Issues** – There were discussions over the recent power outages and whether the PC should request power cables be located underground. No further action at this stage.
- (f) **The Grapevine** - Second draft issued today. Additional items sought.
11. **Date of Next Meetings** – (a) Monday 14th March 2022 at 7.30pm at Maisemore Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.37pm.

Signed.

Date.