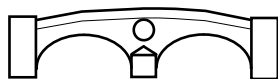


MAISEMORE PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of Maisemore Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th January 2023 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room of Maisemore Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs D Jones (Chairman), Mrs D Burgess, Mrs C Banks, Mrs A Nicholson and R Scott.

In Attendance: Mr L Williams (Clerk).

1. Apologies for Absence.

County Councillor Phil Awford and District Councillors Jill Smith and Paul McLean all extended their apologies.

2. Declaration of Interests.

- a. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda – None.
- b. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda – None.
- c. To consider Councillors Dispensation requests – None.

Public Participation.

There were no members of the public present. Cllr. Jones, speaking as a member of the public, mentioned that he was considering forming a Maisemore Civic Society.

3. Minutes.

It was agreed that the minutes of the Maisemore Parish Council meeting held on 13th December 2022 formed a true record and they were signed by the chairman.

4. Reports.

- a. **Clerk** - Report delivered and accepted. The clerk added that MPC's VAT reclaim has already been submitted.
- b. **County Councillor** – Cllr. Awford had nothing to report.
- c. **District Councillor** – Cllr. McLean supplied a written report. Key new points: 1. TBC has brought in a new housing and homelessness strategy. Council tax discount and premium details supplied; 2. TBC has a projected budget surplus of £200k; 3. Recruitment and retention remains problematic, especially in Planning ; 4. The MTFS, including proposed council tax levels etc, has been agreed by TBC executive and goes to full council shortly; 5. Electric vehicle strategy work is taking place with GCC with TBC seeking funding from various sources to provide more charging points in car parks etc; 6. A number of details about figures and follow up actions re the Homes for Ukraine scheme; 7. TBC's Warm Spaces Fund – 21 venues are currently advertised; Community Food Project – grants available for new and existing projects until 03/02/23; 8. Flood wardens report all is manageable at present, ample stocks of empty sandbags are available. *Please contact the clerk for additional details on any of these matters.*

- d. **Speed Reduction Initiatives** – The chairman provided a detailed breakdown of the data captured by both recently installed VAS/Speed Indication Devices and mentioned recent Community Speedwatch activity.
- e. **Highways Matters – Village Gateways:** The chairman and clerk confirmed their planned meeting with Max Kelly, GCC Highways, at 2.30pm on 10/01/23. The gullies along the A417 to Over will be mentioned.
- f. **Maisemore PC Website** – Meeting imminent to effect migration.
- g. **Environmental Group** – The clerk advised that the replacement bin for the Over roundabout should be installed this weekend.
- h. **Churchyard Maintenance** – Maisemore PCC has now received an invoice for grass cutting in the sum of £2,290, in line with recent years. Members agreed to contribute £1,100 without delay.
- i. **The Grapevine** – It was agreed to actively market forthcoming events and speakers at The Friendship Group's meetings. The clerk will invoice advertisers where appropriate.
- j. **The Bridge Cross** – Cllr. Jones shared pictures of all the parts he has so far salvaged. The clerk read the response of TBC Conservation Specialist who confirms no consent is needed for a like for like repair.

5. Planning.

- a. **For Consideration** – None.
- b. **To Ratify the Comments for Applications and Appeals Submitted Since the Last Meeting** – None.
- c. **Decided by Tewkesbury Borough Council** – 22/00886/OUT Land West of Persh Lane, Maisemore. Variation of Condition 16 (Great Crested Newts Licence, 17 Great Crested Newts certificate and compensation), 18 (Great Crested Newts Mitigation) of 20/00212/OUT to allow for mitigation through a European Protected Species Development Licence (EPSDL)(Amended description). **Approved.** It was noted that other matters remain pending.
- d. **Appeals** – None.

6. Finance.

(a) The following invoices were **approved** for payment:

(i)	REL Williams (Clerk's wages, December)	£ 179.66
(ii)	HMRC re (i)	£ 44.80
(iii)	Alpha Colour Print (The Grapevine, January)	£ TBC
(iv)	PCC of St Giles, Maisemore (Grass Cutting 2022)	£ 1100.00

(b) **Payments made between meetings** were ratified –

(i)	22/12/22	Alpha Colour Print (The Grapevine January)	£ 30.00
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(c) It was agreed that Iain A Selkirk be appointed as Independent Internal Auditor for the financial year 2022/23.

There followed confirmatory scrutiny and discussion regarding the budget for 2023/24.

7. **Correspondence - (i)** TBC announce their new community project fund, as per the link <https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/community-food-project-fund>. Noted with interest.
 - (ii) TBC advise that The Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund has opened, with grants available for redevelopment projects. Closing date 20th January 2023. Noted with interest.
 - (iii) TBC have published details of the Treecycle scheme with drop off points for Christmas trees from 6th to 24th January. Noted.
8. **Councillors Reports and Items for Future Agenda –** To request any updates regarding land near the A40 Northern Bypass at Walham.
 9. **Date of Next Meeting -** The next meeting will be held in The Committee Room at Maisemore Village Hall on Tuesday 14th February 2023 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.42pm.

Signed:

Date: