MAISEMORE PARISH COUNCIL



Due to the Current Covid 19 Pandemic and The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 ("the 2020 Regulations") which came in to force on 4 April. As advised by the National Association of Local Councils (NALC). The parish council has no legal obligation to hold its Annual Parish Council Meeting in May 2020, all current positions, reviews and groups will be carried forward until May 2021.

Minutes of Maisemore Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11th May 2020 at 7.30pm via videoconferencing, using Zoom.

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

and Robert Scott.

In Attendance Jackie Shields (Clerk), Borough Paul Mclain and five parishioners.

Items raised in the public session.

Potholes causing noise pollution.

- The grass in the churchyard is not being cut as requested.
- The footpath at Newland Homes is still locked.
- Disappointment at the decorations for VE Day.
- New volunteers for the delivery of the Grapevine.

1. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from TBC Cllr Jill Smith and County Cllr P Awford, both were attending other meetings.

2. Declaration of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to send their register of interest forms to Tewkesbury Borough Council and to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and their nature. Cllr Scott declared DPI in item 8d as his property border's the parcel of Land.

3. To Confirm the Minutes of Maisemore Parish Council Meeting Held On 2nd March 2020.

The minutes with minor alterations were approved and will be signed when appropriate.

4. To Receive The Report From The Internal Auditor, To Approve The Governance Statement and the Accounts For 2020/2020.

Deferred due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the publication date for final audited accounts for local councils will move from 30 September to 30 November 2020.

Delivered Accounts 2019-2020 to Andrew Rhodes (Bredon Parish Councillor) for audit as discussed with the Chairman.

5. Finance.

a. To Consider Invoices for Payment.

The following invoices were approved for payment via BACS:-

GAPTA Subs £129.13
Came and Co Insurance £418.83
Alpha May Grapevine £22.00

b. To Ratify Payments made between meetings.

The following payment made via bacs was approved.

28.3.2020 ALFA print Covid leaflet £10.00

c. Financial Report.

The financial report and recent bank statement had been circulated.

Not enough VAT had been paid to enable a reclaim.

d. To Consider Parish Council Insurance.

The council agreed the insurance to be paid as above.

6. Correspondence.

• Suspension of green waste collection.

The scheme was suspend on the 30th March 2020and resumed on 4th May, household waste sites are now open by appointment.

• Free Adult Education & Training Courses.

The council agreed not to put this on the website as it was not pertinent to Maisemore.

 A multitude of updates form TBC, GCC and other agencies have been received regarding COVID-19.

7. The Parish Council's Response to Covid 19 Pandemic.

The council had produced and circulated a leaflet, Cllr Burgess had coordinated the responses and reported as follows.

13 residents offered to help of which only was volunteer was used.

19 requests had been made for prescription collections which had been carried out as part of the co-ordination with Hartpury.

Due to flooding the parishioners are well versed in being isolated.

8. Planning.

- a. For Consideration.
 - i. 20/00347/FUL Cotswold View Old Road Maisemore Gloucester. The council has no planning reason to object but will be submitting some comments.
- b. To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting.
 - i. 20/00287/FUL | Agricultural Building to house machinery | Overton Farm Maisemore Gloucester Gloucestershire GL2 8HR. The council objected to the application.
 - ii. 20/00270/FUL Overton Farm Maisemore Gloucester Gloucestershire GL2 8HR |
 Retrospective application for the erection of a cement storage silo. The council objected to the application.
 - iii. 20/00212/OUT | Outline planning application for the development of 8 dwellings etc. The council objected to the application.
- c. Decided by Tewkesbury Borough Council.

Permitted By TBC

19/01083/FUL Installation of a new access and dropped kerb. 1 Severn Close Maisemore Gloucester Gloucestershire GL2 8ET

d. Appeal consultation

18/01202/OUT- Part Parcel 3538 Church Road Maisemore Gloucester.

Cllr Scott left the meeting at this point and took not part in the discussion or decision.

The chairman confirmed that the appeal had been within the six month rule when it had reached the appeal process, the delay had been in TBC receiving it.

The remaining Cllrs all agreed that their initial objections are still relevant. Objection will be submitted to the appeal.

Action Clerk to contact planning regarding the following items.

Retrospective Planning application for the Rudge Villa.

Council comments on 1 Severn Close.

Planning breaches at Maisemore Aperies.

Missing documents for 18/01202/OUT- Part Parcel 3538 Church Road Maisemore Gloucester.

9. Reports.

a. Clerk.

Breakdown of Grass Cutting Contribution had been e mailed to all.

The 106 monies for Newlands includes the cost of one Dog bin and one sign, awaiting the decision of the village Hall committee as to the siting.

APM had been postponed due to COVID 19 and will be held at a later date. Signed and returned Payroll info to PATA, PATA have submitted to HMRC

b. County Councillor.

No report.

c. District Councillor.

The garden waste collections are seeing a huge increase in the volume of waste being collected with 12.5% of all of May's weight last year (870 tonnes) collected in one day. Service delivery

All Ubico essential services are operating normally. The bulky waste service has started to take bookings as of today. This was advertised on our social media pages and on our website. Wingmoor farm (Stoke Orchard), Hempstead (Gloucester) and Swindon Road (Cheltenham) household waste & recycling centres (HWRCs) have opened today, with the others in the county under review. The HWRCs are open for essential waste where it cannot be safely stored at home, the Swindon Road site is only open to Cheltenham Borough residents. Social distancing measures are in place at all HWRCs Gloucestershire County Council have published a press release outlining this.

There continues to be an increase in the number of council tax reduction applications. The team have seen an increase of 512 applications, which accounts for over 20% of the average caseload and this number continues to rise.

Environmental health officers carried out business closure checks every day over the bank holiday weekend. Most business were compliant however some discussions were held with both car sales companies and garden centres regarding opening - these remained closed with garden centres offering both deliveries and collections observing social distancing.

The environmental health team is also ensuring premises are suitably licensed where they are being used by companies for the sale of alcohol, by both collection and delivery.

The customer service team continues to authorise proof of life certificates to residents who have overseas pensions, to ensure their payments continue. This has given piece of mind to those residents affected.

Community support

35 emergency community grants have been awarded. Please continue to let the groups you are working with know about this opportunity.

The business grants team has now paid out a total of £14.92m in grant payments to 1281 businesses. A total of 1512 applications have been received, 176 applications have been

refused as they do not meet the requirements. There are 30 applications requiring further validation. Cllr Smith and I continue to work with the business support team to identify eligible businesses.

In terms of planning, the Technical Planning Officer has sent through the following in response to a query:

"The majority of applications which we receive fall to be delegated in the first instance, however this can of course change through the course of an application, for example where there is a member 'call-in' or Parish objection.

In terms of the agenda for next Planning Committee, it includes those applications that have all the necessary information for members to be properly advised. There are some delays with some applications due to various Covid related reasons, including, for example, the availability of planning agents who have been furloughed and the need to carry out site visits which is not possible at the moment.

Any decisions which require committee determination as per the scheme of delegation will be determined by the Planning Committee.

In terms of publicity and the display of green site notices, the process for publicising applications is unchanged. It is simply as a matter of practicality that we are asking applicants to display the notices given the current circumstances as officers are not currently visiting sites.

As a consequence, there may be delays in site notices being displayed— also in some cases the applicant will not live at the site and therefore a notice cannot necessarily be displayed in the short term. There is a legal obligation for site notices to be displayed before a decision is made; therefore no decisions will be made without them. Our experience is that applicants understand this given the current circumstances.

If Town/Parish councils have any queries on an individual case, the planning case officers would be pleased to help."

d. To update on speed reduction, village gateways and Rectory Farm Site.

The VAS batteries are lasting approx. two weeks at the present time.

Still waiting for a response from TBC regarding the attenuation pond

e. To update the council on the Maisemore Website Maintenance.

The clerk should have full control of the website by the next meeting.

f. Environmental Group, Hedges and Churchyard Maintenance.

Planting has been delayed due to flooding and COVID 19.

Residents seem to be keeping their hedges under control.

g. Flooding.

No report.

10. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.

The council would like to thank the Chairman for his very thorough responses to all the planning applications.

The chairman had reported the 'dumping of Chemicals' in Maisemore and was very pleased to see it was dealt with quickly.

11. Date of Next Meeting.

Monday 6th July, venue to be arranged nearer the time.

The meeting was close at 8.50pm

The council had a discussion regarding clerks hours and contract.

Signed Date