

Parish Council of Hillesley and Tresham
Maple House, Cranham, Gloucestershire GL4 8HS

Minutes of a meeting of the full Parish Council held at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley, on Wednesday 13 December 2017.

Present: Cllr J Knowles, Cllr D Darlow, Cllr I Lock, Cllr A Doughty

In attendance: The Parish Clerk, GCC Cllr M Reeves and one member of the public

Public Participation: Planning application on the Hawkesbury Road development has been submitted and concern was expressed about the lack of publicity regarding this. It was explained that the Council had an extension to enable it to be discussed at the January meeting.

It was noted that the hedge on Kilcott Road had been cut and there was debris in the stream potentially causing flooding

1. To consider apologies for absence - apologies were accepted from Cllr Richard Graham, Cllr Alan Clark and SDC Councillor John Cordwell
2. To consider declarations of interest in agenda items - none
3. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting on 8 November 2017 – approved and signed by the Chairman
4. To receive report from the County Councillor – the report was read by GCC Cllr m Reeves and discussed by Council – report attached to these minutes
5. To receive report from District Council – the report was read by SDC Cllr J Cordwell and discussed by Council – report attached to these minutes
6. To receive and note the Clerk’s report – Clerk to try to get absent signatory to complete forms and sign cheques from this meeting.
7. To note correspondence and documents received for those items not on the agenda - none
8. Planning applications: to note decisions and consider applications
 - a. Decisions received –
 - i. S.17/095/EIAS – environmental impact assessment – validated and decided
 - ii. S.17/2187/P3Q – Change of use decided – prior notification grant
 - b. Applications to be considered
 - c. S.17/2541/FUL – land to the West of Hawkesbury Road – rural exception site – it was decided to defer discussion until the January meeting. Deadline for submission of comments extended to 12 January 2018
9. Finance
 - a. To approve payments: approved
 - i. GAPTC £20 – agreed
 - ii. CRK Garden Manicures £378 – agreed
 - iii. Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal £30
 - iv. GRCC renewal £25 - agreed
 - b. To consider budget for financial year starting April 2018 – It was agreed to raise the budget for legal advice by £1000 to include advice on burial ground purchase
10. To receive an update on progress regarding defibrillators in the Parish – Peter Whitbread was unable to attend the meeting but had been looking into defibrillators and recommended that the purchase and future maintenance was done via the Community Heartbeat Trust. Clerk to add cost of installation and maintenance to budget

11. To receive an update from the Chairman – Baptist burial ground transfer is still being discussed – possible costs would include legal costs of transfer and insurance to be discussed at February meeting. Chairman to research legal position of burial grounds. There would be no costs associated with hedges as school owns fence and other hedges are owned by householders adjacent to burial ground. School is hoping to take over the management of the Old Chapel Hall and would like a parish Council representative on the management Committee. Representative to be discussed at a future meeting.
12. It was agreed that the parish veide be converted iinto electronic format. Cllr Darlowe to carry out and claim expenses.
13. The next meeting to be held at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley on Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7.30pm unless Clerk can establish that another date would get better attendance

Meeting closed 20.50

I certify that the above minutes are a correct record of the above meeting

Signed:..... date:

Dates of future meetings: 10 January 2018, 14 February 2018, 14 March 2017

Appendix to the minutes 8 November 2017

Report on County Council Matters to Hillesley & Tresham Parish Council 8th November 2017

Self-closing bridlegates

I have recently become a Gloucestershire County Council representative on the Gloucestershire Local Access Forum. The issue of these gates on bridleways was raised at a recent meeting: see the Natural England report from 2015:

<http://publications.naturalengland.org.uk/file/4708836454170624>

I would like to hear of any within your parish and any concerns they may have caused.

Highways Contract

The Highways Cabinet Panel is continuing to meet during the process of awarding the new contracts. The next meeting is on Tuesday 7th November.

Clay Pigeon Shooting, Kingswood

The County Council has received further information regarding application 13/0042/STMAJW (District Reference S.13/1416/CM) for the importation of soils and subsoils to create noise attenuation bunds associated with clay pigeon shooting and associated landscape works. See <http://planning.gloucestershire.gov.uk/publicaccess/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=MNMHUEHN1I000>

I gather the parish council have been notified about this and requested to submit any further comments.

I have questioned whether the solicitor advice letter dated 15/10/2017 is complete, since it appears to end rather suddenly!

Spring in Highway at Tresham

This has been raised with me by Lesley Cooke. I took it up with Andrew Middlecote and Amey. The size of the job means that it will not be tackled this financial year. Amey are arranging a salt bin to try to deal with icy conditions...

John Cordwell

Stroud District Councillor Report – November 2017

There was a full Council Meeting on 19 October. There were three items on the agenda:

- Recommendations from the Strategy and Resources Committee:
 - (i) 100% Business Rates Retention Pilot - the Council agrees to be part of the Gloucestershire bid for business rate pilot status for 2018/19 whereby the Council retains local business tax but forgoes some central government grants.
 - (ii) the Council adopts the Local Council Tax Support Scheme as the scheme for Stroud District Council for the period 01 April 2018 to 31 March 2019. This continues to provide financial help for hard pressed local people to pay their Council tax.
- Hardwicke Neighbourhood Development Plan unanimously approved.

The next Stroud District Meeting is the Development Control Committee (DCC) on 21 November followed by the Audit and Standards Committee meeting on 28 November. There are no items of local interest on the agenda for the DCC.

The Civic Timetable is listed below for information.

Mark Reeves

Stroud District Councillor for Kingswood Ward including Hillesley and Tresham

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CIVIC TIMETABLE FOR 2017/18 AS AT 10 MAY 2017

All meetings will be held in the Council Chamber	Community Services & Licensing Thu 7pm	Environment Thu 7pm	Housing Tue 7pm	Strategy & Resources Thu 7pm	COUNCIL Thu 7pm	Audit & Standards Tue 7pm	Development Control Tue 6pm
May 2017					18 (AGM)		
June 2017	15	29	20	13 (Tuesday)			06
July 2017				13	20	04	18
Aug 2017							
Sep 2017	07	14	26			12	5
Oct 2017				12	19		10
Nov 2017						28	21
Dec 2017	07 (Budget)	14 (Budget)	12 (Budget)				
Jan 2018				18 (Budget)	25 (Budget)		09
Feb 2018	01	08	20		22 (Council Tax)	06	13
Mar 2018	28 (Wednesday)		27				20
Apr 2018		05		12	26	10	24
May 2018					17 (AGM)		

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