

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 8 November 2017.

Present: Cllr J Knowles, Cllr D Darlow, Cllr Richard Graham, Cllr A Doughty

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

Public Participation: Nothing new to report on Hawkesbury Road development.

Amey apologise for the lack of kissing gates – they are on order and Cotswold Wardens will put them up when they arrive.

AONB has a countryside fund and school could apply eg for replacement of rotten wendy house.

1. To consider apologies for absence - apologies were accepted from Cllr I Locke, Cllr A Clarke and Peter Whitbread
2. To consider declarations of interest in agenda items – Cllrs Darlow, Knowles declared a pecuniary interest in item 9d so this matter will be held over until a future meeting
3. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting on 11 October 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 – bank account forms had not been signed by all signatories at the last meeting and need to be correctly signed for bank account to be updated and for the Clerk to have access to the financial information therein. Clerk to try to get absent signatory to complete forms and sign cheques from this meeting. The audit papers have been returned to the Clerk by the Chairman and will be displayed on website.
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 – none at date of meeting
 - b. Applications to be dealt with under delegated powers – – S.17/2431/HHOLD – single storey extension at Stavilands, Kingswood Road, Hillesley – no comment was deemed necessary
 - c. 13/0042/STMAJW – land adjacent to Folly Farm – proposal to import earth to build a noise attenuation bund – **Cllr R Graham to look at the noise report** and report findings to Council, **Cllr D Darlow to then draft response** reiterating Hillesley and Tresham’s continuing objection to this proposal.
 - d. Appeals - APP/C1625/W/17/3184935 – Land at Pleasant View, High Street Hillesley to demolish existing stables and erect a new dwelling – no new comments were thought necessary
9. Finance
 - a. To approve payments: approved
 - i. Data Commissioner - £35
 - b. To consider budget for financial year starting April 2018 – it was agreed to raise the budget by 5% in all headings and add the cost of a new computer and software. The possibility of carrying out a joint project with the school was to be investigated further to see if budgetary provision to

be made for this – budget to be finalised in January meeting. It was agreed that budgetary provision should be made for someone to decorate and repair the bus shelter as volunteers had not been forthcoming. It was agreed to add to the budget the cost of a new notice board to be put in the bus shelter. The Clerk was asked to find out the cost of possible legal expenses for a potential new car park and for the possible costs of legal fees if the Chapel burial ground were to be adopted plus the costs of ongoing maintenance

- c. To consider Council Action Plan for the year (and possibly beyond) and projects which may make use of reserves and whether a working group should meet to discuss before next meeting – Cllr Darlow to convene a working group of all councillors before the November meeting to discuss planned programme and whether any larger project should be budgeted for eg car parking
 - d. To consider rates for allotment rents for year from April 2018 – deferred to future meeting
 - e. To consider Clerk’s hours and pay for the year from April 2018 – agreed to budget for inflationary increase and review if major projects anticipated which would require more hours. Agreed to use PATA to process Clerk’s payslips – Clerk to action.
 - f. Bank forms were completed and approved to allow Cllr A doughy to become a signatory. It was agreed that the Clerk should complete forms so that all councillors willing to do so should become signatories. Two signatories are required for each cheque.
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 Councillor Darlow on the SDC Local Plan Consultations – Cllr Darlow had attended the meeting for parish councillors and reported that the consultation was an ongoing process as the Plan was developed. It was agreed that the Council would determine what feedback they wished to make to SDC at the next meeting.
12. The next meeting to be held at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley on Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed 20.55

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	Environment	Housing	Strategy & Resources	COUNCIL	Audit & Standards	Development Control
	Thu 7pm	Thu 7pm	Tue 7pm	Thu 7pm	Thu 7pm	Tue 7pm	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)		

Council AGM
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