

GUITING POWER PARISH COUNCIL

UNRATIFIED Minutes of the Annual and Ordinary Parish Council Meetings held May 18
2022 7.45 p.m. at Guiting Power Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Simon Gardner (Chair), Lisa Rose, Geoff Cuthbert, Else Ogden, Dawn
Rimmer, Simon Wallis

Clerk Jane Carter, 1 member of the public

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
220518/01	Apologies: apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Allcock	
220518/2	Election of Chairman: Cllr Allcock was unanimously elected in his absence to serve as Chairman 2022-23. The declaration of acceptance would be signed at a future date	
220518/3	Election of Vice Chairman: Cllr Gardner was unanimously elected to serve as Vice Chairman 2022-23. The declaration of acceptance was signed by Cllr Gardner and the Clerk	
220518/4	To Receive Declarations of Interest From Councillors- Cllr Rimmer declared an interest in Planning Item 22/01473/TCONR	
220518/5	To approve the minutes of previous Parish Council meetings: the minutes of the meeting held March 16 th 2022 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.	
220518/6	To receive comments and concerns from the public: none received.	
220518/7	Report from County Councillor: Cllr Mackenzie-Charrington had circulated his annual report for the Parish Meeting. The clerk would read this out.	
220518/8	Queens Jubilee Beacon: the Beacon had been delivered but there was no gas. Cllr Gardner would contact the organisers. Clerk requested that photographs were taken on the evening	Cllr Gardner
220518/9	Queens Jubilee Plaque/Seat: a local Farrier had been contacted to work on a design for the seat and provide a cost. Cllr Gardner would liaise. A budget of at least £1500 would be required. Cllr Rimmer said that monies might be available from the fete. The wording to be engraved on the seat was discussed. Some councillors felt this wasn't necessary. Cllr Rimmer would supply the official wording form the Queen's Jubilee Canopy project. Item to be added to July agenda.	Clerk/Cllr Rimmer/Cllr Gardner
220518/10	Parish Meeting Arrangements: it was agreed that the Social Club bar could be used to provide refreshments. Further publicity to go on Facebook page.	Cllr Rimmer
220518/11	Platinum Jubilee Weekend: the Social Group thanked the Parish Council for the funds towards the event.	
220518/12	Annual Insurance Policy: the annual insurance renewal had been received. It was agreed to proceed with the Community First (Zurich) policy renewal for one year at a cost of £435.61. The assets register had been circulated and was correct. Clerk to update approval records.	Clerk
220518/13	The following planning application was considered: I. 22/00776/FUL Proposed upgrade to existing telecommunications installation National Grid Transmitting Station Guiting Power Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 3AJ- NO COMMENTS II. 22/01081/FUL Erection of a single permanent rural worker's dwelling Barton Stables Barton Lane Guiting Power Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 5UZ	

	<p>The applicant was present and was invited to address the Parish Council. Councillors were concerned that the proposed building was two storey which would set an unwelcome precedent outside the confines of the village. Following a discussion, a vote was taken, and Councillors voted 4-2 to OBJECT to the application on the grounds of design</p> <p>III. 22/01473/TCONR Fell 4 large ash trees on the side of the road at Green Fields House Guiting power. These trees have been identified as having Ash Dieback after a village wide tree inspection by an arborist. The four trees are overhang the main road into Guiting Power and have the potential to cause harm or damage to the public. Greenfield House Guiting Power Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 5TZ- NO COMMENT</p> <p>IV. 22/01470/TCONR Further work on specimens listed in application 20/02186/TCONR: G1 - Spruce - Group comprising approx. 12 trees. Notification is to remove all spruce in garden area The Butts Castlett Street Guiting Power Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 5US- NO COMMENT</p>																																																								
220518/14	<p>Finance:</p> <p>I. The Current statement of accounts and bank reconciliation (as circulated) were approved. The bank balance stood at £11,172.74</p> <p>II. Payments and receipts (as circulated) were approved. It was noted there were still issues with approval of payments and the Clerk recommended that the approval process be completed by one parish Councillor rather than two. Item to be discussed at July meeting.</p> <table><tr><th>Date Paid*</th><th>Amount</th><th>Payee</th><th>Purpose</th><th>VAT to be re-claimed</th></tr><tr><td>12.4.22</td><td>£738.60*</td><td>Clerk</td><td>Salary and backdated pay December to March</td><td>N</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£435.11</td><td>Community First Insurance Renewal</td><td>Annual insurance</td><td>N</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£105</td><td>GAPTC</td><td>Internal audit</td><td>N</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£150</td><td>GP Social Group</td><td>Jubilee Donation</td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td>£33.29</td><td>Cllr Rimmer</td><td>Newsletter printing expenses</td><td>Y</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>105</td><td>Village Hall</td><td>Meeting Hire</td><td>N</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>88.20</td><td>ROSPA</td><td>Playground inspection</td><td>Y</td></tr><tr><th>Date</th><th>Amount</th><th>Receipt</th><th>Purpose</th><td></td></tr><tr><td>20.4.22</td><td>£1032</td><td>Gloucestershire County Council</td><td>Build Back Better grant</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>21.4.22</td><td>£3113</td><td>Cotswold District Council</td><td>75% precept</td><td></td></tr></table>	Date Paid*	Amount	Payee	Purpose	VAT to be re-claimed	12.4.22	£738.60*	Clerk	Salary and backdated pay December to March	N		£435.11	Community First Insurance Renewal	Annual insurance	N		£105	GAPTC	Internal audit	N		£150	GP Social Group	Jubilee Donation			£33.29	Cllr Rimmer	Newsletter printing expenses	Y		105	Village Hall	Meeting Hire	N		88.20	ROSPA	Playground inspection	Y	Date	Amount	Receipt	Purpose		20.4.22	£1032	Gloucestershire County Council	Build Back Better grant		21.4.22	£3113	Cotswold District Council	75% precept		
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	<p>III. It was confirmed that the Parish Council wish to certify themselves as exempt from a limited assurance review under Section 9 of the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015. The Certificate of Exemption was duly signed</p> <p>IV. The internal auditor report and recommendations were noted. The clerk would add the recommendations to future agendas for consideration and action.</p> <p>V. The Annual Governance Statement (Section 1 of the Annual Return) for 2021-22 was approved and duly signed</p> <p>VI. Section 2 of the Annual Return for 2020-21 and the end of year accounts for 2021-22 were approved and duly signed</p>	
220518/15	<p>For Information: Cllr Gardner would order the new play sand. He would check quantities. The clerk would need two-weeks' notice to arrange payment.</p> <p>Cllr Rose asked if the overhanging trees on the border of The Grange could be cut back. It was agreed this was now a road safety issue. The clerk would make contact with the Estate Manager.</p> <p>Cllr Rimmer informed the meeting that she would not be standing for the Parish Council at the May 2023 elections.</p>	
220518/16	<p>The Chair closed the meeting at 8.46 p.m. and thanked everyone for attending. The next meeting would be the Parish Meeting on Tuesday May 31st, 2022. The next Parish Council meeting would be Wednesday July 20th at 7.45 p.m. This would be followed by a Constable's Piece Trust Meeting</p>	

Approved By _____

Date _____