

## GOTHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of Gotherington Parish Council held at 7pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 in the Rex Rhodes Building.

**Present Councillors:** Beverly Osborne (Chair), Cllr Stephen Neighbour (Vice Chair), Cllr Jess Beddows

**Also Present:**

Clerk/RFO

Cllr Mike Dean (Borough Councillor)

1 member of the public attended the public question session to raise further concerns to GPC relating to planning proposal 22/00650/FUL - Trumans Farm Manor Lane Gotherington Cheltenham, 45 dwellings, stating that a comment should be submitted to TBC Planning advising that the inclusion of a LEAP (local equipped area for play) within the new development does not make the application acceptable to the Council.

**Welcome**

If anyone wishes to film or record the meeting they should make this known to the Chairman at this point

**1. Apologies of Absence:**

The council accepted apologies from Cllr Caroline Meller, Cllr Matt Dean

**2. To receive declarations of interest/requests for dispensation for items on the agenda below:**

No declarations of interest were declared.

**3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 13-December-2022:**

The Minutes were approved and duly signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**4. To receive reports from Borough Councillor and County Councillors:**

Cllr Mike Dean (Borough Council) attended the meeting to update the Councillors on recent amendments to the Joint Core Strategy (JCS) partnership for planning and development between Gloucester City Council, Cheltenham Borough Council and Tewkesbury Borough Council which elapsed on the 11-December-2022.

The elapsed JCS will be replaced by the JCP during 2023. This should bring a benefit to TBC in the form of a reduced 'new build' requirement, as TBC will no longer be obligated to accept overspill housing needs from Gloucester and the Forest of Dean.

A further benefit should be realised from this new single method approach to housing development under TBCs obligation, as TBC '5-year housing land supply' now calculates in surplus, at 6.16 years.

**5. To receive reports from parish councillors on external meetings attended:**

The following reports were received:

- Project to Renovate the Village Telephone Kiosk and install a Defibrillator

**Project updates**

**a. Defibrillator in telephone box.**

In order to progress this project, the following actions were agreed by the councillors:

1. Obtain approval from British Telecom to instal a defibrillator – **ACTION: Clerk**
2. To prepare a letter/report to circulate to other community groups in the parish with regards progress and initial understanding of issues and potential costs involved.

**ACTION: Cllr Osborne & Clerk**

**CARRY FORWARD**

**b. Blue Plaque for Elizabeth Malleson.**

In order to progress this project, it was agreed by the councillors that the following actions are carried out:

1. Liaise with the Village Hall Trustees to discuss and agree the wording, size and location of a plaque at the VH Management Committee meeting on the 01-March-2023: **ACTION: Cllr Osborne**

2. Contact Tewkesbury Borough Council to ascertain if any funding is available.

**ACTION: Clerk**

**CARRY FORWARD**

**c. Rex Rhodes Building Replacement Oven.**

No progress had been made with regards to obtaining fully inclusive quotes of costs for the purchase and installation and certification. This is now high priority for the month of January 2023: **ACTION: Cllr Neighbour & Clerk**

**CARRY FORWARD**

**d. 'Pentanque' Club Benches.**

The proposal to contribute funds to the purchase of backless benches for the Pentanque Club was agreed up to a maximum contribution of £200.00 per bench (including installation) or 50% of the total cost to match equal contribution made by the Club.

Cllr Osborne will liaise with the Club, and provide examples of bench designs and other options acceptable to the Council before the purchase is agreed and made.

**ON-GOING**

**e. Tennis Club Benches.**

The Tennis Club request for two new benches was re-discussed.

The Council will ask the club for a formal proposal of the options available and associated costs, in order that an informed decision can be made.

**CARRY FORWARD**

**f. RRB Heating Controller.**

Confirmation that the heating control is now repaired and fully operational.

The Council will look to appoint an Energy Consultant to advise on the optimal improvements available for heating and hot water efficiency, that could provide cost savings and long term value for money.

**CARRY FORWARD**

**g. RRB Carpark pot holes.**

The councillors determined that the situation is deteriorating, and it will therefore re-visit 3 previously supplied tenders to gain updated costs for high quality remedial work to be undertaken.

**CARRY FORWARD**

**h. Lammas Ground to Cleeve Road footpath.**

Cllr Meller to liaise with parishioners and the Footpath Wardens to obtain more information with regards to clearly defining the footpath route.

**CARRY FORWARD**

**Accounts.**

**a. Supplier Payments.**

The below listed supplier payments were all approved and were subsequently paid on value date 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Accounts for payment January 2023				
Payee	Inv Number	Due Date	Gross Amount	Description
M.Gibbons	72	31/07/2022	£5.45	Shower block hand wash & toilet rolls (not yet paid)
M.Gibbons	74	30/09/2022	£175.00	Cleaning of Hall/Shower + expenses (not yet paid)
M.Gibbons	75	03/10/2022	£7.35	Shower block toilet brush & toilet rolls (not yet paid)
Emily Howe	29/12/22	13/01/2023	£50.00	Pavillion - cleaning
LHS - Grant	56093	13/01/2023	£100.00	LHS - in2print invoice 56093 - Water Project Booklet * 100
			<b>£337.80</b>	

**b. Year-to-Date Results.**

The year-to-date results prepared by the Clerk were reviewed and signed by Cllr Osborne.

**c. Budget 2023-2024.**

The second draft budget prepared by the Clerk was reviewed. It was agreed that final amendments were necessary to limit the precept increase to below 5%, and once this was done the final budget will be signed by at least 2 councillors before the Precept figure is submitted to TBC by 31-January-2023.

**Tennis club**

- a. **Tennis Court Hire Fee.** To consider and agree the Hire Charges for using the tennis courts. – **CARRY FORWARD**

## Planning-

To consider a response in regards to the following Planning Applications:

- **22/01314/FUL** - Manor Farm Buildings Alstone Tewkesbury Gloucestershire.  
Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 7 dwellings, new access arrangements and associated works.  
**- NO OBJECTION as not in Gotherington Parish. Comment on increased traffic expected.**
- **22/00650/FUL Amendment** - Trumans Farm Manor Lane Gotherington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 9QX  
Residential development comprising 45 dwellings, creation of new access, public open space and other associated ancillary works.  
**- FURTHER COMMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO TBC PLANNING WITH REGARDS INCLUSION OF A LEAP**

## Date/time of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting will be **MONDAY** the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7pm in the Rex Rhodes Building.