

Minutes of Quedgeley Town Council Minutes held at Quedgeley Community Centre on Monday 17th July 2019 at 7.30pm

PRESENT Cllr G Smith (chairman), Cllr S Smith, Cllr Wilcox, Cllr Mrs McAllen, Cllr Miss Weston, Cllr Pearce, Cllr Hughes, Cllr Williams, Cllr Mrs Williams, Cllr Harries, Cllr Miss Mozol.

Cllr Hanna Norman – Gloucester City Council
Local PCSO
One member of the public

FC.037/19-20	<p>APOLOGIES The Clerk advised Cllr Mrs Slatter has requested her apologies be accepted for the next few months due to personal issues. Apologies were noted from Cllr Arnold, Cllr Lee, Cllr Potts.</p>
FC.038/19-20	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None received.</p>
FC.039/19-20	<p>ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING The meeting was adjourned to allow for public forum, it then reconvened.</p>
FC.040/19-20	<p>ADOPTION OF FULL COUNCIL MINUTES Adoption of the Minutes dated 20th May 2019 Cllr S Smith PROPOSED to adopt the above Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Seconded Cllr Hughes Vote Unanimous So resolved</p>
FC.041/19-20	<p>CLERK'S REPORT 36 complaints and issues received, all have been resolved or forwarded to the relevant authority.</p>
FC.042/19-20	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>(a) To note that Quedgeley Town Council has been awarded Quality Gold Status under the Local Council Award Scheme. Cllr G Smith advised this is an excellent award, Quedgeley is one of only 6 in the County to achieve it. Members were keen to continue moving forward and discussed how this can be accomplished. It was accepted the Futures Group is currently discussing projects to benefit the community and will be reviewed further at the meeting on 9th July 2019.</p> <p>The Clerk advised the panel were particularly impressed with the Saturday surgery and the provision of disabled allotments.</p> <p>She further advised she has entered the Council to the Star Council Award through NALC and she is waiting to hear if successful.</p> <p>(b) To note that Public Inspection of Accounts commences on 17th June 2019. Noted.</p> <p>(c) Cobalt Annual Report 2017-2018 Noted.</p>
FC.043/19-20	<p>CHAIR'S REPORT Cllr G Smith reported the Saturday Surgeries in Tesco are working well. Cllr Mrs McAllan advised she approached Asda in Kingsway with a view to setting up surgeries there and was pleased to report the manager was happy to allow the Council to do so and he requested the dates be passed to him.</p>
FC.044/19-20	<p>FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE</p> <p>(a) Noting of Minutes dated: 7th May 2019 accepted by F&GP on 03.06.19</p> <p>(b) Report of Chairman – nothing to report.</p> <p>(c) To earmark funds of £2,235.55 received for fishing pond maintenance @</p>

	<p>Waterwells</p> <p>The Clerk clarified how the funds arrived in the Council account explaining, they were left following the withdrawal of the previous management group.</p> <p>Cllr G Smith PROPOSED to ear mark the funds and for them to be made available to the new group as and when requested.</p> <p>Seconded Cllr Pearce Vote Unanimous So resolved</p>
FC.045/19-20	<p>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE</p> <p>(a) No Minutes to accept.</p> <p>(b) Report of Chairman, nothing to report</p>
FC.046/19-20	<p>RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE</p> <p>(a) Noting of Minutes dated 1st May 2019: accepted by R&A on 06.06.19</p> <p>(b) Report of Chairman – Cllr S Smith re-elected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence sent to all businesses on Waterwells Drive re placing a litter bin on their land. He was pleased to report one business supported the idea and offered to pay for the bin. • Dog Show, all volunteers to be on site by 11.00am • Music based event for younger members of the parish, a meeting with E Danter is planned. • Fireworks – booked. • Bristol Road Recreation Ground stream, investigation in hand to establish the exact status of the stream. Some information recently sought indicates it is merely a soakaway. • Felling the Horse Chestnut Tree in the Churchyard, options on-going. • Speed monitoring • Local Nature Reserve, damaged fence Deerhurst Place • Logs to be removed by Moonbeam as they are continually being thrown in the pond. • Circus at Fishers Meadow
FC.047/19-20	<p>COMMUNITY BUILDINGS COMMITTEE</p> <p>(a) Noting of Minutes dated 13th May 2019: accepted by CB on 10.06.19</p> <p>(b) Report of Chairman – Cllr Mrs McAllen, re-elected.</p> <p>She reported the following:</p> <p>Kingsway Community Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replaced a faulty extractor fan within the boiler room • Cllr Arnold volunteered to be the relief key holder. • PAT (Portable Appliance Testing) completed. • Lightning Protection Testing completed <p>Quedgeley Community Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persistent boiler noise rectified following installation of the faulty gasket. • Building Circles are progressing with the plans to reconfigure hall 2 kitchen. Full details to be made available prior to the final decision. <p>Waterwells Sports Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A price is being sought for exterior lighting
FC.048/19-20	<p>TO CONFIRM APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES</p> <p>Cllr Williams to F&GP and Cllr Mrs McAllan to Staffing Committee.</p> <p>Cllr G Smith PROPOSED the above appointments.</p> <p>Seconded Cllr Harries Vote Unanimous So resolved</p>
FC.049/19-20	<p>REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES AND WORKING PARTIES</p> <p>(a) Quedgeley Community Trust – Cllr G Smith, Quedgeley Show, reconfigured going forward it will not offer an opportunity for home grown or homemade produce.</p> <p>(b) Allotment Association – Cllr S Wilcox nothing to report. Cllr G Smith advised a plot holder tripped and fell out of the container which resulted in a broken bone in her foot. Further investigations revealed there was no</p>

	<p>liability on the part of the Council.</p> <p>(c) Quedgeley Village Hall – Cllr Hughes reported only 5 members were present at the last meeting there are a number of staffing issues and financial difficulties.</p> <p>(d) Saturday Surgery the Chair reported these are going extremely well.</p> <p>(e) Futures Committee – each Councillor allocated a subject heading from the recent meeting, a summary and or conclusion to be brought to the next meeting scheduled for 9th July 2019.</p> <p>(f) UBB – offered to attend a group of parishes to give a presentation to Councils. There are numerous air quality monitoring systems around Gloucester and these can be viewed at Glosclg.weebly.com. Independent monitors have been positioned in Hunts Grove, Hardwicke, Haresfield surrounding the incinerator.</p> <p>(g) The Big Lunch – Cllr Pearce and Cllr Harries will attend.</p> <p>(h) Church Fayre – 15.6.19</p>
FC.050/19-20	<p>FURTHER BUSINESS FOR REFERRAL</p> <p>Cllr Miss Mozol queried the position on the tree in the Churchyard and it was referred to R&A for a final decision.</p>
DATE OF NEXT MEETING 15 th July 2019 - noted.	

*Notes of the **PUBLIC FORUM** of Quedgeley Town Council Meeting on the 17th June 2019*

The member of the public attended the meeting to raise her concerns in relation to the implementation of 5G and she took the view, following her research, it poses real health issues. Once operational the exposure is for 24 hours a day and the emissions are cancer causing and will affect children more than adults. Glastonbury have adopted a 'Precautionary Principle' halting or delaying 5G together with many countries until the full facts are known and she approached Quedgeley Council to adopt the same policy.

She further advised she has contacted both Gloucester City and Gloucestershire County Councils, but she is passed around with no one taking responsibility.

Cllr Harries suggested Quedgeley Town Council write to both Councils to establish the position and to investigate further.

PCSO – advised Kevin Lee is currently on annual leave. She reported the crime figures show a reduction in incidents of crime and she thought this was due, in part, to the move back to Quedgeley Police Station.

- There have been several reports of off-road bikes being driven erratically around the footpaths and the police has ceased a number of these.*
- School parking continues to raise complaints but she reported it is difficult for the police to act as the enforcement powers lie with the County Council. Police can only deal with obstruction. The Police will support the Traffic Warden in their patrols if this is deemed necessary.*
- A successful operation recently undertaken in relation to drugs and officers are visiting schools to raise awareness of the consequences of involvement in drugs.*
- Councillors raised problems with parking around Mawgans Drive and Marham Drive and vandalism particularly to bus stops and the BT phone box. The PCSO advised she will try to increase patrols around these areas. The current Sergeant is very pro-active, and they currently have a very good team in Quedgeley*

Cllr Hannah Norman reported the following:

- She congratulated the Council on their Quality Gold Award*
- The new Mayor has been elected.*
- Each Councillor has a grant budget of £1,000 for good causes. She referred to the wildflower seeds funded previously and indicated this could be possible again if a suitable application were submitted.*

- *Some departments have relocated to offices at Shire Hall. The Customer Services team will relocate to 92-96 Westgate Street hopefully towards the end of July. Positive feedback has been received regarding the new appointment system recently introduced.*
- *City events, 3 Choirs Festival @ Gloucester Cathedral and Retro.*

Cllr G Smith queried how much S106 was held by Gloucester City Council and for which sites. Cllr Hannah Norman advised Fieldcourt ward is holding money to improve the skatepark area and in Severn Vale ward, play areas are planned in the orchard and at the Clearwater Drive site.

There being no further questions and in the absence of The Police the meeting reconvened