WESTON-sub-EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
Weston-sub-Edge Village Hall ON 22 January AT 7.30P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Bill Carruthers, Cllrs Eddy Hoksbergen, Gill Theo, Wendy Clarke, Matt McMinn. District Councillor Gina Blomfield,

IN ATTENDANCE: Lucy Print parish clerk, Phil, Michael Allchin Community Trust Trustee

22/1	**1.**Interests – none	
22/2	**2. NOTICE OF ABSENCE:** Cllr Mike Jelley, Rachel Hurley.	
22/3	**3. REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**: Lynden Stowe Gloucestershire County Councillor, no report given **District Councillor Gina Blomfield reported:** CABINET meeting held 10th January Discussed the Budget consultation – this year there were 432 responses an increase of 106 from the previous year following engagement campaigns in Cotswolds News which was distributed to all households, through social media, a video of the Deputy Leader, promotion on CDC website, media engagement, promotion through Town and Parish Councils etc. This represents 0.5% of the residents. The comments from Weston-sub-Edge were included in full in the Cabinet papers. Costs of by-elections being met from Town and Parish Councils – this was tabled at the December Cabinet meeting but then deferred due to the concerns raised by town and parish councils who had not been formally informed and also some of the figures of the costs were incorrect. Further to this town and parish councils were invited to two virtual conversations with representatives of the administration and officers and these were attended by 27 councillors and Alison Robinson of GAPTC. The Cabinet has now resolved that CDC will recharge Town and Parish Councils from 01/04/2024 – 50% of the cost 01/04/2025 – 75% of the cost 01/04/2026 – 100% of the cost which will allow the councils time to add this into their budget when setting the precepts. The indicative cost to Weston-sub-Edge for a single seat by-election is £2,000 and when a by-election for a Town Councillor is combined with a national, County or District election the indicative cost is £1,100. Cabinet also agreed to put up car parking charges by 5% and also remove the 'Free after 3 pm' in order to raise £350,000 for CDC Budget The last Full Council Meeting was on Wednesday 19th Jan with a light agenda. I raised a question on the administration using 0.5% of the electorate's responses to justify their decisions in the forthcoming budget. A great many of the comments raised concerns in particular in regards to changing parking charges which, of course, would not affect all residents. I have been trying to engage with Stratford District Council regarding the additional traffic on the B4632 which is likely from the large developments both at Meon Vale and at Long Marston Airfield. I did have a useful conversation with one of the planning officers who directed me to their planning portal which is extremely easy to use and is full of interesting information. He also said I should get in touch with Neil Hempstead to discuss matters further. He has now emailed me a response and indicating he would be prepared to engage with the three northern Glos parishes with the B4632 running through them.	
22/4	**4.CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23.11.21:** councillors Eddy Hoksbergen and Wendy Clarke **resolved** to approve the minutes which were signed by the chairman as a true record of the business conducted.	
22/5	**5.PLANNING APPLICATIONS PENDING:** **Planning application before the parish council:** To review: ➢ Ref: 21/04384/FUL Full Application for Two-storey rear extension, glazed link, insertion of a	

conservation rooflight and conversion of outbuilding to home office and home gym at Dovers Cottage, Church Street – **Councillors recorded no objections**

- 21/04579/TCONR | Large Christmas tree (Spruce) - Remove the tree and grind out the roots to prevent further damage to the property Remove the tree and grind out the roots to prevent further damage to the property. | Cannon Gate Chapel Lane – **Councillors recorded no objections**

Outstanding:

- 21/00374/LIST at Barndown, Church Street, Weston Subedge
- 21/03267/FUL Demolition of existing conservatory. Erection of two storey rear extension, one storey side extension and extension to porch canopy - Hill Cottage Saintbury Broadway Gloucestershire WR12 7PX
- Reply RE: Planning Consultation 20/02315/FUL Phase 1A Long Marston – traffic impact survey
- Change of Use Query *18/03066/FUL – response outstanding.

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6.FINANCE:

6.1 RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT & BANK RECONCILIATION: Bank balance as at 1 January were £18,447.88: £6,333.73 for the business deposit account. Allotment Account £1127.35; Recreation account £345.84.

6.2 APPROVE PAYMENTS DUE:
Councillors Wendy Clarke proposed and Gill Theo seconded payments.

Item	VAT	Amount	Total amount
Clerk's salary December, January			 £138.96 138.96
HMRC PAYE payments			£34.80 £34.80
Weston Subedge Village Hall Main Hall Hire, Nov. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING & Nov & Dec SENIORS COFFEE MORNINGS			£31.75 £15.00
J R Langston Hedge & Grass Cutting Contractor 3 x verge and 1 x hedge '21	80.00	400.00	£480.00
Castle Water Allotments Oct 21 – 31 Mar 22			£148.72

LP

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7. REVIEW VILLAGE MATTERS:

7.1 Impact of the Cornavirus (Convid-19) Council not aware of any extra support needed in the village.
7.2 Heavy traffic reduction – update expected at meeting scheduled with GCC on 3 Feb.
7.3 Highways update with Glos. Highways awaiting results of drain survey outside Latimers and Dovers Hill.
7.4 Recreation ground inspection record: Mike Jelley completed inspection; all equipment in good order.
7.5 Archive documentation update. On hold. Tony Kemp and Peter Saltmarsh still onside with the project. New materials gathered including cricket club book.
7.6 Flood protection. Waterways coping, continued to be monitored.
7.7 Road safety - Honeybourne Cross Roads. Hedge removed by contractor. Visibility improved and to be reviewed with Glos. Highways 3 Feb.
7.8 Village Communication Update. PCC has control of the Messenger and looking for a new editor to take over in March. Councillors agree one output could be fed to The Bulletin, Website and Social Media, this could include PC, PCC and Hall digests. Clerk to action a template that could be filled

	in a rolling basis by PC, Village Hall, PCC. Look into possible D of E involvement. Report that Council has taken the decision to freeze Precept.	LP
	7.9 Speed camera ANPR – awaiting report from Glos. Highways.	
	7.10 Village improvements: Looking for further projects that will benefit parishioners – look at designing questionnaire to be sent to parishioners for their input. Clerk to action circulate previous version Ongoing projects being investigated: Village Hall, on-going looking to make improvements upstairs, to catering facilities Bowling Club/Campsite, upgrading facilities and getting a licence. New footpath Parsons Lane to Dirty Lane Electric car hook-up.	LP
	7.11 Village Allotments. Invoices and agreements being set out for 2022-23. Increased rent due to increased costs including water.	
	7.12 Footpaths & Stiles. Stiles on John Robbins land to be reviewed. New footpaths to be investigated between Parsons Land and Dirty Lane and from the village (Friday Street to the Allotments)	
	7.13 Queens Platinum Jubilee. To liaise with Village Hall, possible events include a lunch, party on the Green, games, pig roast and cream teas. Date TBC, councillors invited to attend meeting on third Thursday of the month.	
	7.14 Village Hall – improvements being made and upgrades to lighting / floor and décor. Solar panels investigated and option not viable for the Hall.	BC
22/8	**9. CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**	
	Oct 19 Public question time: investigate disposal of land asset ref MCC. Is it at the land registry? – clerk to action awaited	LP
	May 21 Investigate at school bus pick up time flashing sign.	MJ
	Quarry is it registered at Land Registry? Clerk to check	LP
	Local Plan feedback – Develop own local plan? Circulate questionnaire to Councillors.	LP
	Oct 21 Hedge at the back of the goals needs trimming**. BC Completed**	
	Oct 21 Clerk to download data speed camera Church Street.	LP
	Ongoing Clerk to get feedback from allotment holders on reported rabbit problem. Clerk to arrange skip for allotment tidy up. Renewal letters to go out earlier with agreed rent increase.	LP
22/9	**11. NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** ➢ Town and Parish Council Election Charges ➢ Campden & Vale District by-election – Campden & Vale election The notice of poll for the election on 3 February has now been published on our web-site: https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/about-the-council/elections-and-voting/current-and-future-elections/ ➢ Have your say on future of bus services ➢ Gloucestershire County Council Budget Consultation survey ➢ Traffic calming ideas ***Nigel Payne*** ➢ Litter Pick earlier in the year?	

	Update from Campden Community Trust, Michael Allchin, Trustee The Trust's object is to promote, for the public benefit and through the provision of financial assistance ("grants"), any charitable purpose for the improvement of educational, leisure, recreational and supportive facilities within the Chipping Campden community area including Weston sub Edge; with especial regard to the needs of the young, the elderly, the disadvantaged and disabled. Donations and legacies provide the main capital reserves necessary for long-term commitments to support grants. Gifts and bequests will be added to the Trust's capital to provide, in perpetuity, income for distribution ("grants"). The Trust welcomes all donations to continue the help in supporting our community. For more information and to make an application see: Grant Application, Chipping Campden Community Trust PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: ➢ None.	
	The chairman thanked the councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 9.41p.m. Signed……Date…….	