WESTON-sub-EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE BAR ON 11/11/ 2025 AT 7.30P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Bill Carruthers, Cllrs Gill Theo, and Helen Munro.

IN ATTENDANCE: Lucy Print parish clerk

25/73	**1.Councillors to make declarations of interest on items on the agenda:** None	
25/74	**2. To receive notice of absence from councillors:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Matt McMinn, Richard Court-Ricour, Mike Jelley, CC Tom Bradley and DC Gina Blomfield and Tom Stowe.	
25/75	**3. CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23/9/25:** councillors Gill Theo and Helen Munro **resolved** to approve the minutes which were signed by the chairman as a true record of the business conducted.	
25/76	**4. Reports from the county and district councillors** Report from Cllr Tom Bradley Gloucestershire County Council. **Highways** Speed sign replacement - I was pleased to be able to match-fund the cost of the sign from my local highways budget. Thanks to Lucy for arranging. **B4632: Honeybourne sign** - Bob and Rhodri have fed back on the design of the replacement sign. Could councillors let me know if they are happy with the proposal and we can get this scheduled. **Culvert inspection** - the culvert was surveyed and jetted on 4th June 2025 and appeared to be working well. Please do let me know if there are any issues. **Church Street footpath repair** - a patching job has been raised for this with the work anticipated at the beginning of the new calendar year. **Dover's Hill / Kingscombe HGVs** - would you be able to advise if the existing unsuitable for HGV signs have gone missing? Highways seem to believe these are still in place. If there is an issue of HGVs ignoring the signage, then I am happy to work with the parish council to get some monitoring undertaken to evidence the need for further intervention. **2027/28 resurfacing programme** - as mentioned, I am in the process of getting highways to measure and cost up any roads that need major resurfacing for the forward looking programme. Do please let me know if there are any local priorities. **Local government reorganisation** Officers continue to draw up the evidence pack for two options - a single all Gloucestershire unitary, or an East/West split. To date, data shows the majority of residents prefer the single unitary option and that this would deliver the best value for the taxpayer. Council will vote on its preferred option at our meeting on Wednesday 12th, which will then be followed by a recommendation to MHCLG. We will have a Ministerial decision by summer next year, with potential elections to the shadow authority in May 2027 and then full vesting in May 2028. You will have received an email regarding the likely impact of reorganisation on town and parish councils. It is currently proposed that Neighbourhood Partnerships will be established, which will be made up of Town and Parish Councils and Unitary councillors for a particular area, who can consider locality related issues, such as planning. Following the decision on Gloucestershire's unitary structure (expected July 2026), there will be public consultation to shape how these Neighbourhood Partnerships will operate and what geographies they will cover. The Partnerships will also examine the current estate and assets of the former councils and where these may like to be passed down to town or parish councils etc.	BC MJ BC/MJ
25/77	**5.PLANNING APPLICATIONS PENDING:** **1.0 Planning application before the parish council:**	

	➢ Ref: 25/02983/OUT Outline Application for Outline application for the erection of up to 30 dwellings with associated means of access, car parking, public open space, landscaping, sustainable drainage system (SuDS) and associated infrastructure (all matters reserved except for access) at Land North Of Folly View Broadway Road Willersey Decided ➢ Full Application for Variation of condition 2(Approved plans) to permission 24/01853/FUL Replacement of two single storey rear extensions, garage conversion, and internal alterations at Norton Grounds Farm Aston Subedge GL55 6PY **Permitted** ➢ Listed Building Consent for Application for minor amendments to Listed Building Consent 24/01854/LBC - Replacement of two single storey rear extensions, garage conversion, & internal alterations at Norton Grounds Farm Aston Subedge Chipping Campden GL55 6PY **Permitted** ➢ Listed Building Consent for Erection of winter garden greenhouse building, repairs to walled garden and associated landscaping at Norton Hall Mickleton Chipping Campden, GL55 6PX **Permitted** ➢ Chipping Campden Neighbourhood Plan, Regulation 16 Consultation - 4 July to 15 Aug 25/01621/OUT Outline application for up to 120 dwellings with all matters reserved with the exception of access, Land North East Of Mickleton Gloucestershire GL55 6UF **Withdrawn** ➢ Planning notification as a neighbouring parish: Outline Application for Outline application for residential development of up to 30 dwellings including the detailed matter of access, and associated works at Land Parcel North Of Olimpick Drive Chipping Campden Gloucestershire 25/01194/OUT **Refused** Outstanding: ➢ South Warwickshire Local Plan – Preferred Options Consultation Representations ➢ Full Application for Erection of conservatory/sun room at Laxton House 7 Cidermill, Orchard Weston Subedge Chipping Campden Gloucestershire ➢ South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) Preferred Options Consultation ➢ Full Stratford District Council Application(s) reference: 22/03664/REM Proposed Submission of Reserved Matters application (internal access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for 60 Affordable dwellings, including all associated works) Airfield House (including Part Of Former Scrap Yard), Campden Road, Lower Quinton, Stratford-upon-Avon CV378LL. ➢ Reply RE: Planning Consultation 20/02315/FUL Phase 1A Long Marston – traffic impact survey ➢ Phase 1B Long Marston Airfield; Application reference: 23/01794/OUT	
25/78	**6.FINANCE:** **6.1 RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT & BANK RECONCILIATION:** Bank balances as at 2 November were for the Parish: £2144.22 Allotment Charity: £0 Recreation Ground Charity £0 Reserve funds: £6,182.17 **6.4 APPROVE PAYMENTS DUE:** Councillors Gill THeo and Helen Muro approved these payments. Clerk's salary October, November & Back Pay HMRC PAYE payment GigaClear (paid by DD) Village Hall Coffee Morning Meeting Smart Cut Recreation Ground Maintenance INVOICES NO. 26948 10/10/25 cut 3/10/25 INVOICE NO. 27208 31/10/25 cuts completed 13/10 + 29/1 Castle Water For the period 01 Sept - 30 September 2025 & completed instalments The Community Heartbeat Trust REFERENCE 27905 Hartwell & Co Posts for signage Manor Field	

	Royal British Legion Donation expense to Lucy Print SSE Energy Supply Ltd INV03491615 **Receipts:** Interest Sept £3.93 CDC Precept £4,037.00 Interest Oct 3.81	
25/79	**7.REVIEW VILLAGE MATTERS:** 7.1 Heavy traffic reduction & Highways. Speed sign 50% match funding secured from Cllr Tom Bradley GCC. Action: Cllrs to confirm layout of new sign and send to Highways. Action Clerk to contact Highways about hedge cutting on Church Street and Harris Lane. 7.2 Recreation ground inspection record: All in good order. 7.3 Flood protection. Riparian landowners' letters sent (November 25). 7.4 Village Communication Update. Website Section owners need to review site to ensure information is kept up to date. Clerk to send reminder. 7.5 Village improvement projects. Date for review with villagers to be scheduled in the New Year. With a view to 2026 Neighbourhood Plan, Green Spaces and how to protect them, potential extension of conservation area. 7.6 Village Allotments. Proposed rent increase to be reviewed at next meeting, along with 26/27 budget. 7.7 Footpaths & Stiles. Cotswold Wardens are continuing the stoning of the path from the recreation ground to the Lynches Wood. 7.8 Village Hall. 7.9 Church Orchard – Cllr RCR organised maintenance works underway, plan to be agreed. Signage – to be installed. Land Registry ongoing with RCR. 7.10Village Security Measures. Meeting took place with CCTV company regarding intermittent cameras and plan/costs to be put together and reviewed by councillors. 7.11Hedge and verge maintenance & improvements. Clerk to contact GCC about hedge cutting on Church Street & Harris Lane. Book Recreation ground and Allotment hedge cutting before end of March. 7.12Recruitment of new Parish Councillors. Cllrs agreed to have an informal (30min approx.) chat with interested villagers. Clerk to arrange time/date in Nov/December. 7.13 CDC Local Plan – With new Government housing targets CDC need new local plan signed off by 2027. Consultation will open for a 7 week period. Public meetings will be scheduled. Publish these on our website. 7.14 Green Spaces Cllrs agreed to strengthen application for plots 6 & 7 for submission to CDC.	BC/MJ LP LP RCR LP LP LP LP BC/HM
25/71	**CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** Pocket Radar PR1000 Traffic Speed Radar – tests to be scheduled Gauge interest in Village for a First Aid basics at the Village Hall. Include what you need to know to use a defib. Mike to investigate possibility of a local First Responder to run session. 25 people interested – date to be scheduled Cotswolds Wardens - Stone pathway up to Lynches Wood. Watery Gate path steep slope – potential steps needed. – Ongoing list with Wardens GT to discuss Seagraves link placement on website. New residence welcome pack to be updated and re-instated. Add Neighbourhood Watch info to pack.GT & LP to progress When can CIL be claimed. Response from CIL team: We are yet to receive a CIL Form 6: Commencement Notice, upon receipt a Demand Notice will be issued for the first payment of 10% which will be due 60 days after commencement. Add Evesham Road to speed/traffic volume 20206 survey. Clerk obtained quote for new bench to replace old rotting one – RCR to apply for funds for a new oak bench	MJ MJ BC GT GT/LP LP BC/MJ LP/RCR

	CCTV signage to be added to 4 entry points into village. MM to look at signage. Highways – Road safety. Ask Tom Whitehouse about cutting trees. Charity accounts for Rec Ground and Allotments need to be reinstated following the forced closure of accounts by Santander.	MM LP
25/80	**NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** • Worcestershire County Council Enforcement Plan • Green Space evidence base • SSE Renewal Offer • Church entrance camera CCTV camera • AutoSpeedWatch Data Connectivity Subscription Expiry Renewal	
	The Clerk's resignation was received. The Council thanked the Clerk for their service. Arrangements for interim cover and recruitment will be discussed at the next meeting. The Council received the resignation of Cllr Bill Carruthers, to take effect at the next scheduled parish council election. Until that time he will continue to fulfil the duties of Chairman to ensure continuity. Members noted the resignation and expressed thanks for his service	
	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: **None**	
	There being no other business the chairman thanked the councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 21.45p.m. Signed W. Carruthers Date 09 December 2026	