

SIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL
AT 7.30PM ON TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2022

PRESENT

Cllr M Turner (Chair), Cllr J Hayward (Vice-Chair), Cllr Anderson, Cllr A Painter, Cllr M Painter, Cllr C Smith, Cllr I Smith (until 8.30pm), and Cllr J Sparrow (from 7.35pm). Cllr Evely (CDC) joined the meeting at 7.45pm. Clerk to the Council Mr R Cowley and two members of the public were also present.

Cllr Turner opened the meeting at 7.30pm

1 – APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr N Deller.

2 – MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 10TH MAY 2022

The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting were unanimously approved as being a true record.

3 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

There were no matters arising.

4 – CHAIR’S REPORT

Cllr Turner reported that Cllr Davies and Cllr Wilson had both resigned. The Council thanked both members for their time on the Council.

The Council gratefully accepted Cllr Davies’s offer to take on the running of the book swap in the renovated phone box. It was also agreed that the signs at the top should be two on “Book Booth” and two of “Siddington”. The Clerk would place the order with Bob Berry.

Cllr Sparrow joined the meeting at this point.

Cllr Turner also reported on the onsite meeting with Cllr Evely (CDC), Cllr Spivey and officers of CDC and Ubico regarding the potential for closure of Green Lane. There were two options:

1 – A Public Space Protection Order (PSPO), which could close the lane to vehicles and prevent fly-tipping and anti-social behaviour. The order would have to be renewed every three years and the lane would remain the responsibility of Highways.

2 – Full closure and creation of a bridleway on the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way, which could close the lane to vehicles and prevent fly-tipping and anti-social behaviour. This would return the lane to the ownership of the riparian owners (adjoining landowners), who would be responsible for maintenance including verges and hedges.

Both options would involve costs and public consultations. Cllr Evely would pursue the PSPO option and Cllr Spivey would pursue the full closure option and report back.

5 – POLICE REPORT

April Crimes – Total 4

1	Assault
1	Causing public, fear, alarm or distress
1	Theft
1	Criminal damage

May Crimes (up until 30/05/22) – Total 13 crimes

1	Causing public, fear, alarm or distress
9	Assault
2	Theft
1	Criminal damage

Please be aware that most of the assaults are linked to one incident and this is why there appears to be a spike in the numbers.

PCSO Kim Collins

6 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Hayward reported that an introductory piece with a call for volunteers would appear in the September edition of the Village News.

7 – FLOODING MATTERS

There was no further update.

8 - OUTSTANDING & HIGHWAYS ISSUES LIST (GCC ref nos)

HIGHWAYS ISSUES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Silted up gully in Park Way near The Twenties (GCC-11355490) 17.03.22 – Added to works list for coming financial year.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faded weight limit sign at Park Way / Ashton Rd junction – (GCC-11244507) Clerk chased Jan 2019. RG (Highways) chasing. Clerk chased Jan 2020.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicle damaged canal bridge Road closed in January 2018 for repairs to take place. Poor repair work. Ongoing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flooding by old railway bridge on Ashton Road. Done. HE checking every 6 months. Monitor situation.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rough parking area at Upper Siddington
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolished sign at Church Avenue (GCC-11347786) Highways advised 14.02.22 that it will be done by end of financial year. Highways advised 26.05.22 that it is on the list for replacement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Footpath sign down on Coach Road opposite school. (GCC-11348847)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overhanging hedges/trees on South Cerney Road. (GCC-11348898)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30mph signs on Siddington Rd from north obscured by foliage, and posts damaged on gateway sign. (GCC-11365464) Foliage cut back 26.05.22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Missing 30mph gateway sign on Ashton Road. (GCC-11365467) 26.05.22 – job raised for replacement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Missing 30mph sign on Siddington Road near Cherry Tree Drive junction. (GCC-11365468) 26.05.22 – job raised for replacement.

The Clerk would source a quote for cutting back the edge of the overgrown grass on the pavement along the north side of Parkway.

The Clerk would write to Bromford regarding foliage from the gardens of the Jubilee Flats overgrowing the path from The Twenties to Parkway.

9 – HEALTH & SAFETY MATTERS (INCLUDING COVID-19)

- Safe walking/cycling access to Deer Park School - in hand with developers.
- Safe walking to Kingshill School – the Clerk would ask Cllr Spivey for an update.
- Defibrillator provision for Upper Siddington.
 - It was agreed that a location somewhere in the Pound Close area might be best. The Clerk would write to Bromford to suggest that the outside of one of the bungalows might be considered.
 - It was agreed that the football clubhouse would be too remote.
 - It was noted that the Severells Field developer had a defibrillator on site, which the planned to leave once the development was completed.
 - The Clerk would add defibrillator provision to future agendas.

10 – PLANNING

Planning applications received by Cotswold District Council to 5th May 2022

- **22/01467/FUL**
 Applicant: Mr J Stevens, c/o agent Mr Gareth Hughes, Corinium Architectural Services, 64 Queen Elizabeth Road, Cirencester, GL7 1DJ
 Proposal: Demolition of existing garage and erection of single-storey side extension at 45 North Hill Road, Siddington, GL7 1PG
 Consultation expiry date: 3rd June 2022
 NO OBJECTION

Planning decisions at Cotswold District Council to 9th June 2022

- **20/03252/FUL**
 Relocate and enlarge existing access, erection of garage, workshop and boundary wall at Tudmore Cottage, Siddington, GL7 6DA - Permitted
- **22/00255/LBC**
 Installation of bathrooms to ground and first floors of east wing of house at Siddington Manor, Church Avenue, Siddington, GL7 6EZ – Permitted
- **22/00821/FUL**
 Erection of two storey side and single storey rear extension with associated works, including demolition of a single storey rear extension and conservatory at 1 The Close, Siddington, GL7 6HQ – Permitted

Update on Severells Field development

There remained concern about the proposed parking space provisions at the development. Cllr Evemy would look into this and report back.

Update on Anesco Solar Farm development

Cllr Evemy would look into their proposed Transport Management Plan with planning officers and report back.

11 - PLAYING FIELD / FOOTBALL CLUB / CRICKET CLUB

- It was agreed that it would be good for the village if the football club could incorporate Siddington into their name. The Clerk would speak to them.

The Council considered suggestions for equipment for older children at the playing field and it was agreed to investigate provision of a trim trail.

Cllr I Smith left the meeting at this point.

12 – GRAVEYARD EXTENSION

There was no further update.

13 – FINANCE

The monthly schedule of payments for June had been circulated with the agenda, along with the monthly accounts statement and finance spreadsheet.

The amounts noted and approved were:

£14.40 – R Cowley – expenses (phone bill, mileage)

£88.20 – Playsafety Ltd – playground inspections

£100.00 – GAPTIC – training

£1,690.00 – R O W Berry – phone box refurbishment and conversion

£28.85 – PATA (UK) – payroll services

£8.39 – Krystal Hosting Ltd – website hosting

£10.80 – Mushroom – Covid support phone

HMRC – PAYE & NI

R Cowley – salary – May & June

Review of donations to the Village News

Cllr Hayward would email the Treasurer to let him know that Cllr Turner would be contacting him.

14 – CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 GCC Councils Connected newsletters.
- 2 GRCC email regarding Flood Wardens meeting on 9th June.
- 3 Various email correspondence from Chesterton AFC, Stonewood Partnerships, and Siddington School PTA regarding defibrillator provision in Upper Siddington.
- 4 Request from GCC for applications for trees under the Ash Dieback Project.
- 5 Siddington Village News – statement of income and expenditure 2021.
- 6 Notification of permanent TRO for Parkway.
- 7 RoSPA playground inspection report and quote for required works. The Council approved Bob Berry's quoted for the works.
- 8 Suggestions for activity equipment for older children at the playing field.

15 – COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr A Painter asked when the new notice board would be delivered. The Clerk would chase this up.

Cllr M Painter asked for an updated list of councillors for the notice board. The Clerk would arrange.

Cllr J Sparrow and Cllr C Smith reported that they had thoroughly enjoyed the training session with GAPTC. The Clerk would forward the training documents to the Council for information.

Cllr Every (CDC) reported that

- the government energy rebate scheme was proceeding, and that the discretionary scheme was now live.
- at CDC's annual council meeting, Cllr Layton had taken on environmental and regulatory services, Cllr Dale had taken on parking, Cllr Spivey had taken on assets, and Cllr Harris had taken on housing and homelessness.
- at the following CDC meeting, the council's corporate plan had been updated.

16 - PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

17 – NEXT MEETING

The Chairman thanked members for attending, and the meeting closed at 8.45pm. The next meeting would be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th July 2022 in the Committee Room at the Village Hall.

Chair